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R (2018-06)	SB 658 Sen. Jeff Brandes	Tourist Development Tax	Tourist Development Tax; Authorizing counties imposing the tax to use the tax revenues, under certain circumstances, for specified purposes and costs relating to public facilities, etc.	Referred to Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; Appropriations	Favorable by Community Affairs; YEAS 6 NAYS 0	Favorable by Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; YEAS 5 NAYS 0	Withdrawn
	HB 585 Rep. Randy Fine	Tourist Development Tax	Authorizes counties imposing tax to use tax revenues for specified purposes; provides criteria.	Referred to Tourism and Gaming Control Subcommittee; Ways and Means Committee; Commerce Committee	Favorable by Tourism and Gaming Subcommittee; YEAS 9 NAYS 4	Favorable by Ways and Means Committee; YEAS 14 NAYS 4	Favorable by Commerce Committee; YEAS 18 NAYS 6; Passed by full House YEAS 93 NAYS 20; Withdrawn
	HB 7087 Rep. Paul Renner	Taxation	Taxation; Providing for the appointment of the taxpayers' rights advocate within the Department of Revenue by the Chief Inspector General rather than by the department's executive director; authorizing counties imposing the tourist development tax to use the tax revenues to finance channel, estuary, or lagoon improvements ; providing that an owner of homestead property that was significantly damaged or destroyed as a result of a named tropical storm or hurricane may elect to have such property deemed abandoned, for the purpose of receiving a certain assessment reduction, if the owner establishes a new homestead property by a specified date; providing sales tax exemptions for the retail sale of certain clothing and school supplies during a specified timeframe; providing a sales tax exemption for specified disaster preparedness supplies during a specified timeframe, etc. APPROPRIATION: Indeterminate	Favorable by Appropriations; YEAS 18 NAYS 7; Passed by full Senate; YEAS 33 NAYS 3; Passed by full House; YEAS 93 NAYS 12			

	SB 66 Sen. Darryl Rouson	Prohibited Discrimination	Prohibited Discrimination; Creating the "Florida Competitive Workforce Act"; adding sexual orientation and gender identity as impermissible grounds for discrimination in public lodging establishments and public food service establishments; revising the purposes of the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992 to conform to changes made by the act, etc.	Referred to Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Commerce and Tourism; Judiciary; Rules			Withdrawn
	SB 130 Sen. Gary Farmer	Marriage Equality	Marriage Equality; Repealing provisions relating to marriages between persons of the same sex; removing a prohibition on the recognition of marriages entered into between persons of the same sex in this state, another state, or another jurisdiction, either domestic or foreign; removing the definition of the term "marriage," which limits marriage only to a legal union between one man and one woman, etc.	Referred to Judiciary; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Rules			Withdrawn

	SB 192 Sen. Dennis Baxley	Public Meetings	Public Meetings; Specifying conditions under which members of any board or commission of any state agency or authority or of any agency or authority of any county, municipal corporation, or political subdivision may participate in fact-finding exercises or excursions, etc.	Referred to Ethics and Elections; Community Affairs; Rules	Favorable by Ethics and Elections; YEAS 8 NAYS 0	Favorable by Community Affairs; YEAS 7 NAYS 0	Favorable by Rules; YEAS 11 NAYS 0; Passed full Senate 37-0; Withdrawn
	HB 79 Rep. Rick Roth	Public Meetings	Specifies conditions under which members of board or commission of state agency or authority or of agency or authority of county, municipal corporation, or political subdivision may participate in fact-finding exercises or excursions.	Favorable by Oversight, Transparency and Administration Subcommittee; YEAS 9 NAYS 1; Favorable by Local, Federal and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; YEAS 8 NAYS 2; Favorable by Government Accountability Committee YEAS 14 NAYS 0			Withdrawn

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SB 272 Sen. Jeff Brandes	Local Tax Referenda	Local Tax Referenda; Revising the voter approval threshold required to pass a referendum to adopt or amend local government discretionary sales surtaxes when the referendum is held at any date other than a general election, etc.	Referred to Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; Appropriations; Rules	CS by Community Affairs; YEAS 6 NAYS 1	Favorable by Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; 6 YEAS 0 NAYS	Withdrawn	
HB 317 Rep. Blaise Ingoglia	Local Tax Referenda	Local Tax Referenda; Provides that a referendum to adopt or amend a local discretionary sales surtax must be held at a general election.	Referred to Local, Federal and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; Ways and Means Committee; Government Accountability Committee	CS by Local, Federal and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; YEAS 12 NAYS 2	Favorable by Ways and Means Committee; YEAS 18 NAYS 0	Passed by full House; 84 YEAS 27 NAYS; Withdrawn	
HB 7037 Rep. Matt Caldwell	Election Dates for Municipal Office	Election Dates for Municipal Office; Requiring the governing body of a municipality to determine the dates on which an initial and runoff election for municipal office are held and providing options therefor; requiring counties that have established certain dates for the election of municipal officers through a special act to conduct municipal elections on specified dates; requiring municipal recall elections to be held concurrently with municipal elections under certain conditions, etc.	Favorable by Public Integrity and Ethics Committee; YEAS 12 NAYS 6; Passed full House; YEAS 70 NAYS 45			Withdrawn	
SB 1262 Sen. Travis Hutson	Election Dates for Municipal Office	Election Dates for Municipal Office; Requiring the governing body of a municipality to determine the dates on which initial and runoff elections for municipal office are held and providing options therefor; requiring municipal recall elections to be held concurrently with municipal elections under certain conditions, etc.	Favorable by Ethics and Elections; YEAS 4 NAYS 3	Favorable by Community Affairs; YEAS 4 NAYS 3	Referred to Rules	Withdrawn	
HB 7 Rep. Jake Raburn	Local Govt Fiscal Transparency	Revises Legislative Auditing Committee duties; specifies purpose of local government fiscal transparency requirements; requires local governments to post certain voting record information on websites; requires property appraisers & local governments to post certain property tax information & history on websites; requires public notices for public hearings & meetings prior to certain increases of local government tax levies; specifies noticing & advertising requirements; requires local governments to conduct debt affordability analyses under specified conditions; provides method for local governments that do not operate website to post certain required information.	Favorable by full House; 91 YEAS 12 NAYS			Withdrawn	
SB 1426 Sen. Lee	Local Govt Fiscal Transparency	Expanding the scope of the Legislative Auditing Committee review to include compliance with local government fiscal transparency requirements; creating the "Local Government Fiscal Transparency Act"; requiring local governments to post certain voting record information on their websites, etc.	Favorable by Community Affairs YEAS 6 NAYS 0	Favorable by Appropriations; YEAS 12 NAYS 8	Referred to Rules	Withdrawn	

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HB 11 Rep. Jake Raburn	Govt Accountability	Government Accountability; Requires Governor & Commissioner of Education, or their designees, to notify Legislative Auditing Committee of entity's failure to comply with certain auditing & financial reporting requirements; excludes water management districts from certain audit requirements; revises reporting requirements applicable to Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation; revises certain lodging rates for purpose of reimbursement to specified employees; provides requirements for statewide travel management system; revises responsibilities of specified entities to include establishment & maintenance of certain internal controls; revises auditing requirements for certain agencies, councils, & state schools; requires the Legislative Auditing Committee to determine whether governmental entity should be subject to state action under certain circumstances; requires counties & municipalities to maintain certain budget documents on entities' websites for specified period; provides annual financial audit requirements for Florida Virtual School.	Referred to Government Accountability Committee	CS by- Government Accountability Committee; YEAS 22 NAYS 1	Pending review of CS -under Rule 7.18(c)	Passed full House 101 YEAS 1 NAY; Withdrawn	
HB 1019 Rep. Mike La Rosa	Financial Reporting	Financial Reporting; Requires counties, municipalities, special districts, water management districts, & district school boards to submit certain budget & financial information to specified entities; requires certain budget information to remain posted on such entity's official website for specified period of time; revises reporting deadlines, with exception; provides penalties; requires Office of Economic & Demographic Research to develop forms for reporting certain budget information.	Favorable by Local, Federal and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; YEAS 12 NAYS 0; Favorable by Appropriations Committee; YEAS 20 NAYS 7; Referred to Government Accountability Committee	Favorable by Government Accountability Committee; YEAS 20 NAYS 7	Placed on Special Order Calendar	Withdrawn	
SB 574 Sen. Greg Steube	Tree and Timber Trimming, Removal, and Harvesting	Preempting to the state the regulation of the trimming, removal, or harvesting of trees and timber on private property; prohibiting local governments from prohibiting the burial of vegetative debris on certain properties, etc.	Referred to Community Affairs; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Rules	Favorable by Community Affairs; YEAS 3 NAYS 2		Withdrawn	
HB 521 Rep. Katie Edwards-Walpole	Tree and Timber Trimming, Removal, and Harvesting	Tree, Timber, and Vegetation Trimming and Removal; Prohibits regulation of tree, timber, & vegetation trimming & removal performed by certain governmental entities; provides applicability.	Favorable by Local, Federal and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; YEAS 11 NAYS 1;	Favorable by Government Accountability Subcommittee; YEAS 16 NAYS 0	Placed on Special Order Calendar	Withdrawn	
R (2018-02)	HB 17 Rep. Jake Raburn	Community Redevelopment Agencies	Provides reporting requirements; revises requirements for operating community redevelopment agencies; prohibits creation of community redevelopment agencies after date certain; provides phase-out period; creates criteria for determining whether community redevelopment agency is inactive; provides hearing procedures; authorizes certain financial activity from inactive community redevelopment agencies; revises requirements for use of redevelopment trust fund proceeds; revises county & municipal government reporting requirements; revises criteria for finding that county or municipality failed to file report; requires DFS to provide report to DEO concerning community redevelopment agencies with no revenues, no expenditures, & no debts.	On Committee agenda-- Government Accountability Committee, 11/14/17, 1:00 pm, Morris Hall	CS by- Government Accountability Committee; YEAS 20 NAYS 1	Passed full House; 72 YEAS 32 NAYS	Withdrawn
R (2018-02)	SB 432 Sen. Tom Lee	Community Redevelopment Agencies	Prohibiting a person from lobbying a community redevelopment agency until he or she has registered as a lobbyist with that agency; authorizing community redevelopment agencies to adopt rules to govern the registration of lobbyists; requiring ethics training for community redevelopment agency commissioners, etc.	Referred to Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations; Rules	Favorable by Community Affairs; YEAS 5 NAYS 1	Referred to Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations; Rules	Withdrawn

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HB 697 Rep. Mike Miller/ Bobby Olszewski	Impact Fees	Impact Fees; Revises minimum requirements for adoption of impact fees; provides an exception; prohibits local governments from requiring certain conditions in development orders, except under certain conditions; specifies process for local government review & approval of detailed specific area plans or related development orders.	Favorable by Local, Federal, and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; YEAS 14 NAYS 0	Favorable by Ways and Means Committee YEAS 15 NAYS 1	Favorable by Government Accountability Committee; YEAS 20 NAYS 0	Placed on 3rd Reading; Withdrawn
SB 324 Sen. Dana Young	Impact Fees	Revising the minimum requirements for impact fees, etc	Favorable by Community Affairs YEAS 6 NAYS 0	Favorable by Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax YEAS 6 NAYS 0	Favorable by Appropriations; YEAS 19 NAYS 1	Withdrawn
HB 725 Rep. Jayer Williamson	Permit Fees	Permit Fees; Requires governing bodies of counties & municipalities to post their permit & inspection fee schedules & building permit & inspection utilization reports on their websites; requires governing bodies of local governments to post their building permit & inspection utilization reports on their websites by specified date; provides requirements for such governing bodies; provides reporting requirements.	Favorable by Local, Federal, and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; YEAS 13 NAYS 1; Favorable by Careers and Competition Subcommittee; YEAS 13 NAYS 0; Favorable by Government Accountability Committee; YEAS 19 NAYS 0;	Passed full House 113-0		Withdrawn
SB 1144 Sen. Keith Perry	Permit Fees	Permit Fees; Requiring the governing body of certain counties to post its permit and inspection fee schedules and a link to the annual building permit and inspection report on its website; requiring the governing body of a local government, before making any adjustment to a fee schedule, to publish a building permit and inspection report and post it on the local government's website, etc.	Favorable by Community Affairs; YEAS 5 NAYS 0; Favorable by Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; YEAS 5 NAYS 0	Favorable by Appropriations; YEAS 19 NAYS 0		Withdrawn
HB 971 Rep. Randy Fine	Interruption of Services	Prohibits municipality or private company from charging for garbage pick-up services under certain circumstances; requires municipality or private company to issue credit or refund; requires payment of fine if credit or refund is not issued within specified period; prohibits telecommunications companies and cable & video service providers from charging for certain service interruptions; requires such entities to issue credit or refund; requires regulatory entity to impose fine if credit or refund is not given within specified period.	Favorable with CS by Energy and Utilities YEAS 9 NAYS 3	Favorable by Commerce Committee; YEAS 15 NAYS 11	Placed on Special Order Calendar	Withdrawn
SB 1368 Sen. Debbie Mayfield	Interruption of Services	Prohibiting a municipality or private company from charging for garbage pick-up services that are not rendered within a specified period; requiring a municipality or private company to issue a credit on a monthly bill or a refund within a specified timeframe; prohibiting a telecommunications company and a cable and video service provider from charging for services that are interrupted for longer than a specified period; requiring payment to the customer of a specified penalty if a credit or refund is not issued within a specified timeframe, etc.	Referred to Community Affairs; Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Rules			Withdrawn
HB 837 Rep. Katie Edwards-Walpole	Domestic Wastewater Collection System Assessment and Maintenance	Domestic Wastewater Collection System Assessment and Maintenance; Establishes blue star collection system assessment & maintenance program within DEP for domestic wastewater utilities; provides that certified utilities are presumed to comply with state water quality standards; directs DEP to issue certain permits to certified utilities; authorizes DEP to reduce penalty amounts; provides that certain utilities are eligible to participate in Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program & to receive Small Community Sewer Construction grants.	Favorable by Natural Resources and Public Lands Subcommittee; YEAS 11 NAYS 0; Favorable by Agriculture and Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; YEAS 12 NAYS 0; Favorable by Government Accountability Committee; YEAS 22 NAYS 0	Placed on Special Order Calendar		Withdrawn

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	SB 244 Sen. Jeff Brandes	Domestic Wastewater Collection System Assessment and Maintenance	Domestic Wastewater Collection System Assessment and Maintenance; Establishing the blue star collection system assessment and maintenance program; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt rules and review and, if appropriate, approve applications for certification under the program; creating a presumption of compliance with certain total maximum daily load requirements for certified blue star utilities; requiring the department to provide extended operating permits when a certified blue star utility applies for permit renewal under certain conditions, etc.	Favorable by Environmental Preservation and Conservation; YEAS 10 NAYS 0; Referred to Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; Appropriations; Rules			Withdrawn
	HB 237 Rep. Kathleen Peters	Advanced Well Stimulation Treatment	Advanced Well Stimulation Treatment; Prohibits performance of advanced well stimulation treatments; provides that permits for drilling or operating wells do not authorize performance of advanced well treatments; provides applicability.	Referred to Agriculture and Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; Natural Resources and Public Lands Subcommittee; Appropriations Committee			Withdrawn
	SB 462 Sen. Dana Young	Advanced Well Stimulation Treatment	Advanced Well Stimulation Treatment; Prohibiting the performance of advanced well stimulation treatments; clarifying that permits for drilling or operating a well do not authorize the performance of advanced well stimulation treatments, etc.	Favorable by Environmental Preservation and Conservation; YEAS 10 NAYS 0; Favorable by Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; YEAS 5 NAYS 0; Referred to Appropriations			Withdrawn
	HB 13 Rep. Bryan Avila/ Manny Diaz	Sports Franchise Facilities	Prohibits sports franchise from constructing, reconstructing, renovating, or improving facility on leased public land; requires lease of facility on public land by sports franchise or sale of public land for sports franchise facility be at fair market value; provides requirements for contract to fund construction, reconstruction, renovation, or improvement of facility; specifies act does not impair certain contracts.	Referred to Government Accountability Committee	Favorable by-Government Accountability Committee; YEAS 15 NAYS 6	Passed in full House; 75 YEAS 27 NAYS	Withdrawn
	SB 352 Sen. Rene Garcia/ Travis Hutson	Sports Franchise Facilities	Sports Franchise Facilities; Prohibiting a sports franchise from constructing, reconstructing, renovating, or improving a facility on leased public land; requiring that a lease of a facility on public land by a sports franchise or a sale of public land for a sports franchise facility be at fair market value, etc.	Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations			Withdrawn
	HB 1033 Rep. Jackie Toledo	Dockless Bicycle Sharing	Dockless Bicycle Sharing; Provides insurance requirements for dockless bicycle sharing company; provides requirements for dockless bicycles made available for reservation by such company; provides company responsibilities; provides for preemption.	Favorable by Careers and Competition Subcommittee; YEAS 13 NAYS 1; Favorable by Commerce Committee; YEAS 23 NAYS 0	Placed on 3rd Reading		Withdrawn
	SB 1304 Sen. Dana Young	Bicycle Sharing	Bicycle Sharing; Authorizing a bicycle sharing company to allow a minor to operate a bicycle reserved by a user if accompanied by a user; providing insurance requirements for a bicycle sharing company; authorizing a local governmental entity to annually require a bicycle sharing company to provide proof of insurance; authorizing a local governmental entity to issue a bicycle sharing company certain fines and fees and to impose other penalties under certain circumstances, etc.	Favorable by Banking and Insurance; YEAS 8 NAYS 2; Referred to Community Affairs; Rules			Withdrawn
	HJR 65 Rep. Rick Roth	Percentage of Elector Votes Required to Approve Constitutional Amendment or Revision	Percentage of Elector Votes Required to Approve Constitutional Amendment or Revision; Proposes amendment to State Constitution to increase percentage of elector votes required to approve amendment or revision to State Constitution from 60 percent to 66 & 2/3 percent.	Referred to Oversight, Transparency and Administration Subcommittee; Rules and Policy Committee; Public Integrity and Ethics Committee			Withdrawn

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SJR 978 Sen. Dennis Baxley	Percentage of Elector Votes Required to Approve Constitutional Amendment or Revision	Percentage of Elector Votes Required to Approve an Amendment or a Revision; Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to increase the percentage of elector votes required to approve an amendment or a revision to the State Constitution from 60 percent to 66 and 2/3 percent, etc.	Referred to Ethics and Elections; Judiciary; Rules			Withdrawn
HB 207 Rep. Stan McClain/ Chuck Clemons	Growth Management	Requires local governments to address protection of private property rights in their comprehensive plans; requires comprehensive plan to include private property rights element; requires counties & municipalities to adopt or amend land development regulations consistent with private property rights element; provides deadlines; requires state land planning agency to approve private property rights element if it is substantially in specified form.	Referred to Agriculture and Property Rights Subcommittee; Local, Federal and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; Commerce Committee			Withdrawn
SB 362 Sen. Keith Perry	Growth Management	Growth Management; Requiring local governments to address the protection of private property rights in their comprehensive plans; requiring the comprehensive plan to include a private property rights element that sets forth principles, guidelines, standards, and strategies to achieve certain objectives; providing a deadline by which each local government must adopt a private property rights element; requiring the state land planning agency to approve the private property rights element adopted by each local government if it is substantially in a specified form, etc.	Referred to Community Affairs; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Rules			Withdrawn
HB 987 Rep. Bob Cortes	Affordable Housing	Affordable Housing; Revises criteria used by counties & municipalities in evaluating disposal of real property; provides local permit approval process; revises criteria used by review committee when selecting applications for state apartment incentive loans; provides process for certain entities to dispose of certain surplus lands; revises procedures under which BOT, DOT, & WMDs must dispose of nonconservation surplus lands; creates Hurricane Housing Recovery Program for certain affordable housing recovery purposes; requires corporation to administer program; specifies requirements for receiving & using funds; requires participating local governments to submit report; creates Rental Recovery Loan Program to provide funds for additional rental housing due to specified impacts; authorizes corporation to adopt emergency rules.	Favorable by Local, Federal, & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; YEAS 12 NAYS 0	Favorable by Transportation & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee; YEAS 12 NAYS 1	Favorable by Government Accountability Committee; YEAS 23 NAYS 0	Placed on 3rd Reading; Withdrawn
SB 1328 Sen. Keith Perry	Affordable Housing	Revising the criteria that counties and municipalities must use when evaluating real property as part of their inventory for disposal of lands; prohibiting local governments from charging certain impact fees for a specified period; creating the Hurricane Housing Recovery Program to provide funds for specified purposes related to affordable housing; providing a process for certain entities to dispose of surplus lands for use for the construction of affordable housing, etc.	Favorable by Community Affairs 6 YEAS 0 NAYS; Favorable by Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; YEAS 8 NAYS 0; Favorable by Appropriations YEAS 20 NAYS 0			Withdrawn
SB 750 Sen. Keith Perry	Public Records	Prohibiting an agency that receives a request to inspect or copy a record from responding to such request by filing a civil action against the individual or entity making the request, etc.	Referred to Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Judiciary; Rules	Favorable by Government Oversight and Accountability;	TPd by Judiciary 1/18 and 2/8	Withdrawn
HB 273 Rep. Ray Rodrigues	Public Records	Prohibits agency that receives request to inspect or copy record from responding to such request by filing civil action against individual or entity making request.	Referred to Oversight, Transparency and Administration Subcommittee; Government Accountability Committee	Favorable by Oversight, Transparency and Administration Subcommittee; YEAS 11 NAYS 0	Passed full House; 118 YEAS 0 NAYS	Withdrawn

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HB 631 Rep. Katie Edwards-Walpole	Possession of Real Property	Possession of Real Property; Authorizes person with superior right to possession of real property to recover possession by ejectment; provides that person entitled to possession of real property has cause of action to regain possession from another person who obtained possession of real property by forcible entry, unlawful entry, or unlawful detainer; prohibits local government from enacting or enforcing ordinance or rule based on customary use; provides an exception; creates, revises, & repeals related procedural provisions.	Favorable by Civil Justice and Claims Subcommittee; YEAS 13 NAYS 1; Favorable by Judiciary Committee; YEAS 15 NAYS 3; Passed full House; YEAS 92 NAYS 14			Engrossed and enrolled
SB 804 Sen. Kathleen Passidomo	Possession of Real Property	Possession of Real Property; Authorizing a person with a superior right to possession of real property to recover possession by ejectment; providing that a person entitled to possession of real property has a cause of action to regain possession from another person who obtained possession of real property by forcible entry, unlawful entry, or unlawful detainer; requiring that the court determine the right of possession and damages, etc.	Favorable by Judiciary; YEAS 7 NAYS 3; Favorable by Community Affairs; YEAS 5 NAYS 1; Rules			Laid on table
HB 627 Rep Thad Altman	Regulation of Smoking	Regulation of Smoking; Authorizes municipalities & counties to further restrict smoking within boundaries of certain public parks.	Referred to Local, Federal and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; Health Quality Subcommittee; Government Accountability Committee			Withdrawn
SB 562 Sen. Debbie Mayfield	Regulation of Smoking	Authorizing municipalities and counties to further restrict smoking within the boundaries of certain public parks, etc	Referred to Community Affairs; Health Policy; Rules	Favorable by Community Affairs; 6 YEAS 0 NAYS	Favorable by Health Policy; 8 YEAS 0 NAYS	Favorable by Rules; YEAS 10 NAYS 1; Withdrawn
SB 174 Sen. Jack Latvala/ Lauren Book/ Travis Hutson/ Dorothy Huckill	Coastal Management	revise funding criteria for beach restoration and inlet management projects to provide greater accountability and transparency. The bills provide an annual appropriation of \$50 million from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund for these projects	Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; Appropriations	Favorable by Environmental Preservation and Conservation; YEAS 10 NAYS 0	Favorable by Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; 7 YEAS 0 NAYS	Favorable by Appropriations; 20 YEAS 0 NAYS; Placed on 3rd Reading; Withdrawn
HB 131 Rep. Kathleen Peters	Coastal Management	revise funding criteria for beach restoration and inlet management projects to provide greater accountability and transparency. The bills provide an annual appropriation of \$50 million from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund for these projects	Referred to Natural Resources and Public Lands Subcommittee; Agriculture and Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; Government Accountability Committee			Withdrawn
HB 521 Rep. Katie Edwards	Tree and Timber Trimming, Removal, and Harvesting	Preempts to state regulation of trimming, removal, or harvesting of trees & timber on private property; prohibits certain local governmental actions relating to trimming or removal of trees or timber & burial of vegetative debris on private property.	Referred to Local, Federal and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; Agriculture and Property Rights Subcommittee; Government Accountability Committee	Favorable by Local, Federal and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; YEAS 11 NAYS 1	Favorable by Government Accountability Committee; YEAS 16 NAYS 0	Placed on Special Order Calendar; Withdrawn
SB 574 Sen. Greg Steube	Tree and Timber Trimming, Removal, and Harvesting	Preempting to the state the regulation of the trimming, removal, or harvesting of trees and timber on private property; prohibiting local governments from prohibiting the burial of vegetative debris on certain properties, etc.	Referred to Community Affairs; Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Rules	Favorable by Community Affairs; YEAS 3 NAYS 2		Withdrawn

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HB 1149 Rep. Bobby Payne	Environmental Regulation	Environmental Regulation; Directing the Department of Environmental Protection and water management districts to reissue the construction phase of an expired environmental resource permit under certain conditions; encouraging the development of aquifer recharge for reuse implementation; requiring counties and municipalities to address contamination of recyclable material in specified contracts; providing an exemption from certain requirements for mitigation areas created by a local government under a permit issued before a specified date and for certain mitigation banks, etc.	Favorable by Natural Resources and Public Lands Subcommittee; YEAS 12 NAYS 1; Favorable by Agriculture and Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee; YEAS 11 NAYS 1; Favorable by Government Accountability Committee; YEAS 16 NAYS 7	Placed on Special Order Calendar		Enrolled
SB 1308 Sen. Keith Pery	Environmental Regulation	Environmental Regulation; Revising the required provisions of the water resource implementation rule; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection and the water management districts to develop and enter into a memorandum of agreement providing for a coordinated review of any reclaimed water project requiring a reclaimed water facility permit, an underground injection control permit, and a consumptive use permit; requiring counties and municipalities to address contamination of recyclable material in specified contracts; prohibiting counties and municipalities from requiring the collection or transport of contaminated recyclable material by residential recycling collectors except under certain conditions, etc.	Favorable by Environmental Preservation and Conservation; YEAS 9 NAYS 1; Favorable by Community Affairs; YEAS 6 NAYS 1; Favorable by Appropriations; YEAS 18 NAYS 2	Placed on 2nd reading		Laid on table
SB 542 Sen. Jose Javier Rodriguez	Public Financing of Construction Projects	Prohibiting state-financed constructors from commencing construction of certain structures in coastal areas without first conducting a sea level impact projection study and having such study published and approved by the Department of Environmental Protection; requiring the department to publish such studies on its website, subject to certain conditions, etc.	Referred to Environmental Preservation and Conservation; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources; Appropriations			Withdrawn
SB 378 Sen. Greg Steube	Parking Garages	Prohibiting a county, municipality, or other local governmental entity from adopting or maintaining in effect an ordinance or a rule which has the effect of prohibiting a driver from, or authorizing the issuance of a citation to a driver for, back-in parking a motor vehicle in a parking space located in a parking garage; providing that any such ordinance or rule in effect on a specified date is void, etc	Referred to Community Affairs; Transportation; Rules			Withdrawn
HB 471 Rep. Clay Yarborough/ Julio Gonzalez	Unmanned Aircraft	Unmanned Aircraft; Prohibits operating drone over certain facilities; authorizes use of drone in certain circumstances to facilitate collection of evidence at scene of crime or traffic crash; authorizes use of drone by local or state agency for specified purposes.	Favorable by Criminal Justice Subcommittee; YEAS 11 NAYS 0	Justice Appropriations Subcommittee; YEAS 12 NAYS 0	Favorable by Judiciary Committee; YEAS 16 NAYS 0	Placed on 3rd Reading; Withdrawn
SB 624 Sen. Dana Young	Drones	Drones; Redefining the term "critical infrastructure facility"; authorizing the use of a drone if a law enforcement agency possesses reasonable suspicion that, under particular circumstances, swift action is needed to facilitate the collection of evidence at a crime scene or traffic crash scene; authorizing the use of a drone by a local or state agency when used in the assessment of damage, flood state, wildfire, or land management, or the monitoring and collection of scientific or marketing data, etc.	On agenda for Criminal Justice for 1/29/18; Referred to Judiciary; Rules	Favorable by Criminal Justice; YEAS 5 NAYS 0	Favorable by Judiciary; YEAS 10 NAYS 0	Rules; Withdrawn
R (2018-05)	HB 789 Rep. Cyndi Stevenson	Listings for Vacation Rental Property	Requires person engaged in leasing, renting, letting, or granting of licenses for use of vacation rentals to display valid certificate of registration number in each rental listing or advertisement; provides penalties for noncompliance.	Referred to Careers and Competition Subcommittee; Commerce Committee		Withdrawn
R (2018-04)	HB 773 Rep. Mike La Rosa	Vacation Rentals	Requires uniform application of local law, ordinance, or regulation relating to vacation rental; revises applicability to include certain amendments to local law, ordinance, or regulation.	Favorable by Government Accountability Committee; YEAS 13 NAYS 11; Commerce Committee		Withdrawn

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SB 1640 Sen. David Simmons	Vacation Rentals	Requiring persons engaged in certain public lodging-related transactions to display a valid certificate of registration number in rental listings or advertisements; revising the inspection responsibilities of the Division of Hotels and Restaurants regarding vacation rentals; authorizing the division to refuse to issue or renew or to suspend or revoke the license of a public lodging establishment subject to a local final order directing the establishment to cease operations, etc.	Combined with SB 1400			Laid on Table	
R (2018-08)	SB 1400 Sen. Greg Steube	Vacation Rentals	Designating the "Florida Vacation Rental Act"; preempting regulation and control of vacation rentals to the state; specifying authority of the Division of Hotels and Restaurants over regulation of vacation rentals; requiring vacation rentals to obtain a license; specifying that vacation rentals are to be treated as transient rentals regarding certain tax and landlord and tenant provisions; requiring the division to inspect vacation rentals when necessary to respond to emergencies and epidemiological conditions, etc.	Combined with SB 1640 and voted favorable by Community Affairs; YEAS 4 NAYS 2; Favorable by Regulated Industries; YEAS 9 NAYS 1;	Appropriations		Withdrawn
R (2018-03)	HB 6041 Rep. Cyndi Stevenson	Division of Historical Resources	Division of Historical Resources; Revises provisions governing Division of Historical Resources responsibilities in issuing permits for survey, excavation, & salvage activities on certain state-owned lands; repeals provisions relating to abrogation of offensive & derogatory geographic place names & division's authority to implement program for certain artifacts.	Referred to Natural Resources and Public Lands Subcommittee; Government Accountability Committee	Favorable by Natural Resources and Public Lands Subcommittee; YEAS 12 NAYS 0	Favorable by Government Accountability Committee; YEAS 15 NAYS 7	Placed on 3rd Reading; Withdrawn
	SB 1296 Sen. Greg Steube	Division of Historical Resources	Removing superfluous language regarding the division's responsibilities in issuing permits for survey, excavation, exploration, and salvage activities on state-owned lands or on state-owned sovereignty submerged lands; revising for minors the applicability of penalties relating to prohibited practices regarding archaeological sites and specimens, etc.	Filed			Withdrawn
	SB 560 Sen. Greg Steube	Public Meetings and Records/ Imminent Litigation	Expanding an exemption from public meetings requirements to allow specified entities to meet in private with an attorney to discuss imminent litigation if certain conditions are met; requiring the transcript of a private meeting concerning imminent litigation to be made public upon the occurrence of a certain circumstance; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity, etc.	Referred to Judiciary; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Rules	Favorable by Judiciary; YEAS 9 NAYS 1	Favorable by Governmental Oversight and Accountability; 6 YEAS 0 NAYS	Favorable by Rules; 10 YEAS 2 NAYS; Withdrawn
	HB 439 Rep. Byron Donalds	Public Meetings and Records	Public Meetings and Records; Expands exemption from public meetings requirements to allow specified entities to meet in private with attorney to discuss imminent litigation if certain conditions are met; specifies when litigation is considered imminent; provides for future legislative review & repeal of exemption; provides statement of public necessity.	Favorable by Oversight, Transparency and Administration Subcommittee; YEAS 13 NAYS 0	Government Accountability Committee		Withdrawn
	HB 695 Rep. Chris Latvala/ Heather Fitzenhagen	Firefighters	Grants certain benefits to firefighter upon receiving diagnosis of cancer if certain conditions are met; requires employer to make certain disability payments to firefighter in the event of total and permanent disability; provides death benefits; specifies costs associated with benefits are to be borne by the employer; requires Division of the State Fire Marshal to adopt rules; provides declaration of important state interest.	On agenda for Oversight, Transparency, and Administration Subcommittee; Referred to Appropriations Committee; Government Accountability Committee			Withdrawn

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SB 900 Sen. Anaterre Flores	Firefighters	Firefighters; Granting certain benefits to a firefighter upon receiving a diagnosis of cancer if certain conditions are met; requiring an employer to make certain disability payments to a firefighter in the event of a total and permanent disability; providing for death benefits to a firefighter's beneficiary if a firefighter died as a result of cancer or cancer treatments; specifying that any costs associated with benefits granted by the act are to be borne by the employer, etc.	Favorable by Governmental Oversight and Accountability YEAS 6 NAYS 0	Favorable by Community Affairs; YEAS 7 NAYS 0	Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government/ Appropriations	Withdrawn
HB 637 Rep. Al Jacquet	Fire Safety and Prevention	Fire Safety and Prevention; Prohibits person from committing or attempting to commit certain acts to influence firesafety inspectors; provides criminal penalties.	Referred to Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Justice Appropriations Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee			Withdrawn
SB 820 Sen. Bobby Powell	Firesafety Inspectors	Firesafety Inspectors; Prohibiting certain actions to influence a firesafety inspector to violate the Florida Fire Prevention Code, other rules of the State Fire Marshal, or ch. 633, F.S., etc.	Favorable by Governmental Oversight and Accountability; YEAS 6 NAYS 0; Referred to Criminal Justice; YEAS 4 NAYS 0; Referred to Rules			Withdrawn
HB 815 Rep. Bryan Avila/ Mike LaRosa	County and Municipal Public Officers and Employees	Requires candidate for elective municipal office to file full & public disclosure of financial interests upon qualifying for office; requires elected county or municipal public officers who are candidates for elective office to make certain campaign finance reports available on certain websites; requires that requests to travel out of state by county or municipal public officers be approved by governing board of county or municipality; limits travel expenses of such public officers or employees; prohibits advancement or reimbursement for certain travel expenses of such public officers or employees; requires county or municipal public officers to report certain travel expenses; requires elected municipal officers to file full & public disclosure of financial interests.	Referred to Local, Federal and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; Public Integrity and Ethics Committee; Government Accountability Committee	CS by Local, Federal and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; 12 YEAS 2 NAYS - HJ 321	Favorable by Public Integrity and Ethics Committee; YEAS 12 NAYS 6	Favorably by Government Accountability Committee; YEAS 17 NAYS 4; Withdrawn
SB 1180 Sen. Greg Steube	County and Municipal Public Officers and Employees	County and Municipal Public Officers; Requiring that requests for travel authorization by county or municipal public officers be approved by the governing body of the county or municipality at a regularly scheduled meeting; requiring that approved travel be posted on the county's or municipality's website for a specified timeframe, etc.	Favorable by Ethics and Elections; YEAS 5 NAYS 3	Favorable by Community Affairs; YEAS 7 NAYS 0	Rules	Withdrawn
HB 227 Rep. Matt Willhite/ Rene Plasencia	Workers' Compensation Benefits for First Responders	Workers' Compensation Benefits for First Responders; Deletes certain limitations relating to workers' compensation benefits for first responders; requires employers to provide certain education training; provides first responders are entitled to workers' compensation benefits for mental or nervous injuries regardless of whether such injuries are accompanied by physical injuries.	Favorable by Oversight, Transparency, & Administration Subcommittee; YEAS 12 NAYS 0	Favorable by Government Operations & Technology Appropriations Subcommittee; YEAS 11 NAYS 0	Favorable by Government Accountability Committee; YEAS 19 NAYS 0	Placed on Special Order Calendar; Laid on table

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SB 376 Sen. Dana Young/ Annette Taddeo/ Bill Montford	Workers' Compensation Benefits for First Responders	Workers' Compensation Benefits for First Responders; Providing that, under certain circumstances, posttraumatic stress disorder suffered by a first responder is an occupational disease compensable by workers' compensation benefits; specifying that benefits do not require a physical injury and are not subject to certain apportionment or limitations, etc.	Favorable by Banking and Insurance YEAS 10 NAYS 0; Favorable by Commerce and Tourism YEAS 8 NAYS 0	Favorable by Appropriations; 20 YEAS 0 NAYS	Placed on Special Order Calendar	Enrolled

Medical Marijuana

HB 1053 Rep. Bobby DuBose	Medical Marijuana Retail Facilities	Medical Marijuana Growers; Removes requirement that DOH grant a medical marijuana treatment center license to member of specified association.	Referred to Health Quality Subcommittee; Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee; Health and Human Services Committee	Introduced		Withdrawn
SB 1336 Sen. Perry Thurston	Medical Marijuana Retail Facilities	Revising definitions of the terms "edibles," "low-THC cannabis," "marijuana," and "marijuana delivery device" to include items that are dispensed by a medical marijuana retail facility; prohibiting qualified physicians and caregivers from being employed by or having an economic interest in a medical marijuana retail facility; revising provisions to authorize medical marijuana retail facilities to dispense marijuana, marijuana delivery devices, and edibles under certain conditions; requiring the Department of Health to license medical marijuana retail facilities, beginning on a specified date, for a specified purpose, etc.	Referred to Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations			Withdrawn

HB 6049 Rep. Shev Jones/Rep. Ray Rodriques	Medical Marijuana Growers	Medical Marijuana Growers; Removes requirement that DOH grant a medical marijuana treatment center license to member of specified association	Favorable by Health Quality Subcommittee; YEAS 15 NAYS 0; Favorable by Health and Human Services Committee; YEAS 20; NAYS 0	Placed on 3rd Reading		Enrolled
SB 1134 Sen. Darryl Rouson/ Sen. Bob Bradley	Medical Marijuana Treatment Center Licensure	Department of Health Responsibilities Related to the Medical Use of Marijuana; Requiring the department to adopt rules to allow qualified patients to change qualified physicians; revising a requirement that the department license one applicant who is a member of a certain class to exclude a requirement that the applicant also be a member of the Black Farmers and Agriculturalist Association-Florida Chapter, etc.	Referred to Health Policy; Appropriations; Rules	Favorable by Health Policy; 8 YEAS 0 NAYS	Favorable by Appropriations; 19 YEAS 1 NAY	Rules; Laid on table

SB 726 Sen. Gary Farmer	Smoking Marijuana for Medical Use	Redefining terms to authorize the production, processing, transportation, sale, possession, and administration of marijuana in a form for smoking for medical use, etc.	Referred to Health Policy; Appropriations; Rules	Introduced		Withdrawn
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SB 986 Sen. Bill Montford	Medical Use of Marijuana in Schools	Authorizing a qualified patient to designate more than one caregiver to assist with the qualified patient's medical use of marijuana if the qualified patient is a student whose parent has requested that a county-designated caregiver assist the student with the medical use of marijuana during the school day; providing a procedure for a parent of a student who is a qualified patient to request that marijuana be administered to the student during the school day; prohibiting marijuana and marijuana delivery devices from being stored on school grounds, etc.	Referred to Health Policy; Education; Rules	Introduced		Withdrawn
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HB 1291 Rep. Brad Drake	Medical Use of Marijuana in Schools	Provides procedure & conditions for parent of student who is qualified patient to request assistance with the administration of medical marijuana during school day; requires school principal who receives request authorizing administration of marijuana to student to notify county health department; requires county health department that has received such notification to notify DOH; provides procedures & authorization for county-designated caregivers to administer marijuana during school day; provides immunity from liability for county-designated caregiver under certain circumstances; requires designated area on school grounds for administering marijuana; provides funding from Grants & Donations Trust Fund.	Introduced			Withdrawn
P 95 Sen. Tom Lee	Local Government	Creates s. 6; a new Section 6 of Article VIII of the State Constitution and to renumber present section 6 of that article to limit the power of a county, municipality, or special district to regulate commerce, trade, or labor unless the regulation applies exclusively within the respective entity's own boundaries in a manner not prohibited by law, and to specify that such regulation may not intrude upon or impede commerce, trade, or labor across the respective entity's boundaries.	On Committee agenda -- Local Government, 01/26/18			
P 61 Com. Chris Smith	Local Government	Section 2 of Article VIII of the State Constitution to provide that any law enacted by the Legislature that restricts the home rule powers granted to municipalities must meet certain criteria.	On Committee agenda -- Local Government, 01/26/18			
HB 225 and SB 1828	Employment Discrimination	Keeping an eye on these because they need to be amended to shore up the exemption for emergency workers if they get a committee hearing, but neither bill is going anywhere.				Withdrawn

Key:

Items highlighted in green denote legislation the City Commission has taken a position on.

Items marked with an "R" denote legislation the City Commission has passed a formal resolution on.