

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #: PCB EDTS 11-04 Florida Trade Date Center

SPONSOR(S): Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

TIED BILLS: **IDEN./SIM. BILLS:**

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR or BUDGET/POLICY CHIEF
Orig. Comm.: Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee		Kruse	Kruse

SUMMARY ANALYSIS

The Legislature created the Florida Trade Data Center in 1992 as a comprehensive trade data resource and research center. The purpose of the Center was to create a trade information system that provides timely import and export information, trade opportunities, intermodal transportation information that measures cargo flow by transportation mode, commodity trends, trade activity between Florida and specific countries, and other relevant information. The Center has been inactive since 1999.

The bill removes references to the Florida Trade Data Center in sections of law that address state of Florida foreign offices, Florida-Caribbean Basin Trade Initiative, and the Florida seaport transportation and economic development funding.

The bill has no fiscal impact.

FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

Background

Florida Trade Data Center

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Changes made by the bill

The bill removes obsolete references to the Florida Trade Data Center in s. 288.012(2)(c), (d), and (e), F.S., (State of Florida Foreign Offices), s. 288.386(2), F.S., (Florida-Caribbean Basin Trade Initiative, and s. 311.07(3)(a), F.S., (Florida seaport transportation and economic development funding).

B. SECTION DIRECTORY:

- Section 1. Amends s. 288.012(2)(c), (d), and (e), F.S., to remove reference to the Florida Trade Data Center.
- Section 2. Amends s. 288.386(2), F.S., to remove reference to the Florida Trade Data Center.
- Section 3. Amends s. 311.07(3)(a), F.S., to remove reference to the Florida Trade Data Center.
- Section 4. Provides an effective date of July 1, 2011.

II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

- 1. Revenues:
None.
- 2. Expenditures:
None.

B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:

- 1. Revenues:
None.
- 2. Expenditures:
None.

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

None.

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

None.

III. COMMENTS

A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision:

Not applicable. This bill does not appear to: require counties or municipalities to spend funds or take an action requiring the expenditure of funds; reduce the authority that counties or municipalities have to raise revenues in the aggregate; or reduce the percentage of a state tax shared with counties or municipalities.

2. Other:

None.

B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:

None.

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

None.

IV. AMENDMENTS/ COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES