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# **Government Operations Appropriations Subcommittee**

**Tuesday, February 11, 2014  
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM  
Morris Hall (17 HOB)**

**ACTION PACKET**

**Will Weatherford  
Speaker**

**Clay Ingram  
Chair**

# Committee Meeting Notice

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### Government Operations Appropriations Subcommittee

**Start Date and Time:** Tuesday, February 11, 2014 01:00 pm  
**End Date and Time:** Tuesday, February 11, 2014 03:00 pm  
**Location:** Morris Hall (17 HOB)  
**Duration:** 2.00 hrs

**Consideration of the following bill(s):**

HB 171 Public Assistance Fraud by Diaz, J.  
HB 271 Workers' Compensation by Cummings  
CS/HB 321 Title Insurance by Insurance & Banking Subcommittee, Passidomo

**Consideration of the following proposed committee bill(s):**

PCB GOAS 14-01 -- Federal Grants Trust Fund/DBPR  
PCB GOAS 14-02 -- Federal Grants Trust Fund/DFS

Presentations by the Department of Management Services  
Real Estate Optimization Plan / Office Space Plan  
Florida Facilities Pool – update on the backlog of building repairs  
Facilities Management study - state leased space occupied by the Northwood Shared Resource Center  
Private Prison Monitoring

Pursuant to rule 7.12, the deadline for amendments to bills on the agenda by non-appointed members shall be 6:00 p.m., Monday, February 10, 2014.

By request of the chair, all committee members are asked to have amendments to bills on the agenda submitted to staff by 6:00 p.m., Monday, February 10, 2014.

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**COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT**  
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**2/11/2014 1:00:00PM**

**Location:** Morris Hall (17 HOB)

**Summary:**

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HB 171	Favorable	Yeas: 13	Nays: 0
HB 271	Favorable With Committee Substitute	Yeas: 13	Nays: 0
	Amendment 624791 Adopted Without Objection		
CS/HB 321	Favorable With Committee Substitute	Yeas: 13	Nays: 0
	Amendment 156597 Adopted Without Objection		
PCB GOAS 14-01	Favorable	Yeas: 13	Nays: 0
PCB GOAS 14-02	Favorable	Yeas: 13	Nays: 0

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**Location:** Morris Hall (17 HOB)

**Attendance:**

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Excused</i>
Clay Ingram (Chair)	X		
Bruce Antone	X		
Gwyndolen Clarke-Reed	X		
Mark Danish	X		
Gayle Harrell	X		
Charles Hood, Jr.	X		
Travis Hutson	X		
Bryan Nelson	X		
Kathleen Peters	X		
Ricardo Rangel	X		
Ronald Renuart	X		
Ray Rodrigues	X		
Victor Torres, Jr.	X		
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

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**HB 171 : Public Assistance Fraud**

Favorable

	<i>Yea</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>No Vote</i>	<i>Absentee Yea</i>	<i>Absentee Nay</i>
Bruce Antone	X				
Gwyndolen Clarke-Reed	X				
Mark Danish	X				
Gayle Harrell	X				
Charles Hood, Jr.	X				
Travis Hutson	X				
Bryan Nelson	X				
Kathleen Peters	X				
Ricardo Rangel	X				
Ronald Renuart	X				
Ray Rodrigues	X				
Victor Torres, Jr.	X				
Clay Ingram (Chair)	X				
<b>Total Yeas: 13</b>		<b>Total Nays: 0</b>			

**Appearances:**

HB 171

Pitts, Brian - Information Only

Justice-2-Jesus

1119 Newton Ave. S.

St. Petersburg FL 33705

Phone: (727) 897-9291

HB 171

Boyd, Elizabeth (Lobbyist) (State Employee) - Waive In Support

Chief Financial Office

400 N Monroe Street

Tallahassee Florida 32399

Phone: 850-413-2829

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**HB 271 : Workers' Compensation**

*Favorable With Committee Substitute*

	<i>Yea</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>No Vote</i>	<i>Absentee Yea</i>	<i>Absentee Nay</i>
Bruce Antone	X				
Gwyndolen Clarke-Reed	X				
Mark Danish	X				
Gayle Harrell	X				
Charles Hood, Jr.	X				
Travis Hutson	X				
Bryan Nelson	X				
Kathleen Peters	X				
Ricardo Rangel	X				
Ronald Renuart	X				
Ray Rodrigues	X				
Victor Torres, Jr.	X				
Clay Ingram (Chair)	X				
<b>Total Yeas: 13</b>		<b>Total Nays: 0</b>			

**HB 271 Amendments**

**Amendment 624791**

*Adopted Without Objection*

**Appearances:**

HB 271 (Amendment)  
 Pitts, Brian - Proponent  
 Justice-2-Jesus  
 1119 Newton Ave. S.  
 St. Petersburg FL 33705  
 Phone: (727) 897-9291

HB 271  
 Brainerd, Jim (Lobbyist) - Waive In Support  
 Florida Association of Insurance Agents  
 2814 Rabbit Hill Rd  
 Tallahassee FL 32308  
 Phone: 850-508-6716

HB 271  
 Boyd, Elizabeth (Lobbyist) (State Employee) - Waive In Support  
 Chief Financial Office  
 400 North Monroe Street  
 Tallahassee Florida 32399  
 Phone: 850-413-2829

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**HB 271 : Workers' Compensation (continued)**

**Appearances: (continued)**

HB 271

Stahl, Tom (Lobbyist) - Waive In Support

FUBA - Florida United Businesses Association

116 S Monroe

Tallahassee FL 32301

Phone: (850)681-6265

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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	—	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	—	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	✓	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	—	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	—	(Y/N)
OTHER	—	

*Adopted without objection  
2-11-14*

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Government Operations  
 2 Appropriations Subcommittee  
 3 Representative Cummings offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 211 and 212, insert:

Section 4. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (9) of section 440.49, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

440.49 Limitation of liability for subsequent injury through Special Disability Trust Fund.—

(9) SPECIAL DISABILITY TRUST FUND.—

(b)1. The Special Disability Trust Fund shall be maintained by annual assessments upon the insurance companies writing compensation insurance in the state, the commercial self-insurers under ss. 624.462 and 624.4621, the assessable mutuals as defined in s. 628.6011, and the self-insurers under this chapter, which assessments shall become due and be paid



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18 quarterly at the same time and in addition to the assessments  
19 provided in s. 440.51. Such payments shall be made by each  
20 carrier and self-insurer to the department for the Special  
21 Disability Trust Fund pursuant to the department rule.

22 2. The department shall estimate annually in advance the  
23 amount necessary for the administration of this subsection and  
24 the maintenance of this fund pursuant to this paragraph and  
25 shall make such assessment in the manner hereinafter provided.  
26 By July 1 of each year, the department shall calculate the  
27 assessment rate, which shall be based upon the net premiums  
28 written by carriers, the amount of premiums calculated by the  
29 department for self-insured employers, and the anticipated  
30 balance and expenses of the Special Disability Trust Fund for  
31 the next calendar year. Such assessment rate shall take effect  
32 January 1 of the next calendar year. Such amount shall be  
33 prorated among the insurance companies writing compensation  
34 insurance in the state and the self-insurers.

35 ~~2. The annual assessment shall be calculated to produce~~  
36 ~~during the next calendar year an amount which, when combined~~  
37 ~~with that part of the balance anticipated to be in the fund on~~  
38 ~~December 31 of the current calendar year which is in excess of~~  
39 ~~\$100,000, is equal to the average of:~~

40 ~~a. The sum of disbursements from the fund during the~~  
41 ~~immediate past 3 calendar years, and~~

42 ~~b. Two times the disbursements of the most recent calendar~~  
43 ~~year.~~

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44 ~~e. Such assessment rate shall first apply on a calendar~~  
45 ~~year basis for the period beginning January 1, 2012, and shall~~  
46 ~~be included in workers' compensation rate filings approved by~~  
47 ~~the office which become effective on or after January 1, 2012.~~  
48 ~~The assessment rate effective January 1, 2011, shall also apply~~  
49 ~~to the interim period from July 1, 2011, through December 31,~~  
50 ~~2011, and shall be included in workers' compensation rate~~  
51 ~~filings, whether regular or amended, approved by the office~~  
52 ~~which become effective on or after July 1, 2011. Thereafter, the~~  
53 ~~annual assessment rate shall take effect January 1 of the next~~  
54 ~~calendar year and shall be included in workers' compensation~~  
55 ~~rate filings approved by the office which become effective on or~~  
56 ~~after January 1 of the next calendar year. Assessments shall~~  
57 ~~become due and be paid quarterly.~~

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59 ~~Such amount shall be prorated among the insurance companies~~  
60 ~~writing compensation insurance in the state and the self-~~  
61 ~~insurers.~~

62 ~~3. The net premiums written by the companies for workers'~~  
63 ~~compensation in this state and the net premium written~~  
64 ~~applicable to the self-insurers in this state are the basis for~~  
65 ~~computing the amount to be assessed as a percentage of net~~  
66 ~~premiums. Such payments shall be made by each carrier and self-~~  
67 ~~insurer to the department for the Special Disability Trust Fund~~  
68 ~~in accordance with such regulations as the department~~  
69 ~~prescribes.~~

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70           3. ~~4.~~ The Chief Financial Officer is authorized to receive  
71 and credit to such Special Disability Trust Fund any sum or sums  
72 that may at any time be contributed to the state by the United  
73 States under any Act of Congress, or otherwise, to which the  
74 state may be or become entitled by reason of any payments made  
75 out of such fund.

76           (c) Notwithstanding the Special Disability Trust Fund  
77 assessment rate calculated pursuant to this section, the rate  
78 assessed may ~~shall~~ not exceed 2.50 ~~4.52~~ percent.  
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84                           **T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T**

85           Remove line 10 and insert:  
86           disability and death; amending s. 440.49, F.S.; revising  
87           provisions relating to the assessment rate of the Special  
88           Disability Trust Fund; reducing the assessment rate  
89           limitation; providing an effective date.  
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**COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT**  
**Government Operations Appropriations Subcommittee**  
**2/11/2014 1:00:00PM**

**Location:** Morris Hall (17 HOB)

**CS/HB 321 : Title Insurance**

*Favorable With Committee Substitute*

	<i>Yea</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>No Vote</i>	<i>Absentee Yea</i>	<i>Absentee Nay</i>
Bruce Antone	X				
Gwyndolen Clarke-Reed	X				
Mark Danish	X				
Gayle Harrell	X				
Charles Hood, Jr.	X				
Travis Hutson	X				
Bryan Nelson	X				
Kathleen Peters	X				
Ricardo Rangel	X				
Ronald Renuart	X				
Ray Rodrigues	X				
Victor Torres, Jr.	X				
Clay Ingram (Chair)	X				
<b>Total Yeas: 13</b>		<b>Total Nays: 0</b>			

**CS/HB 321 Amendments**

**Amendment 156597**

*Adopted Without Objection*

**Appearances:**

CS/HB 321

Pitts, Brian - Opponent  
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CS/HB 321

Mayer, Ashley (Lobbyist) - Waive In Support  
 Old Republic Title  
 101 E College Avenue  
 Tallahassee Florida  
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CS/HB 321

Black, Greg (Lobbyist) - Waive In Support  
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 Tallahassee Florida  
 Phone: 850-509-8022

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ADOPTED AS AMENDED	—	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	✓	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	—	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	—	(Y/N)
OTHER	—	

Adopted without objection  
2-11-14

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Government Operations  
 2 Appropriations Subcommittee  
 3 Representative Passidomo offered the following:  
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**Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 215 and 216, insert:

Section 8. Subsection (8) of section 627.782, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

627.782 Adoption of rates.—

(8) Each title insurance agency and insurer licensed to do business in this state and each insurer's direct or retail business in this state shall maintain and submit information, including revenue, loss, and expense data, as the office determines necessary to assist in the analysis of title insurance premium rates, title search costs, and the condition of the title insurance industry in this state. Such ~~This~~ information shall ~~must~~ be transmitted to the office annually by

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18 May ~~March~~ 31 of the year after the reporting year. The  
19 commission shall adopt rules relating to ~~regarding~~ the  
20 collection and analysis of the data from the title insurance  
21 industry.

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27 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

28 Remove line 18 and insert:

29 contract; amending s. 627.782, F.S.; revising reporting  
30 schedule; amending s. 627.7845, F.S.; revising terms  
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**PCB GOAS 14-01 : Federal Grants Trust Fund/DBPR**

Favorable

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**PCB GOAS 14-02 : Federal Grants Trust Fund/DFS**

Favorable

	<i>Yea</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>No Vote</i>	<i>Absentee Yea</i>	<i>Absentee Nay</i>
Bruce Antone	X				
Gwyndolen Clarke-Reed	X				
Mark Danish	X				
Gayle Harrell	X				
Charles Hood, Jr.	X				
Travis Hutson	X				
Bryan Nelson	X				
Kathleen Peters	X				
Ricardo Rangel	X				
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**Presentation/Workshop/Other Business Appearances:**

DMS Presentation - Presentation

Berger, Tom (State Employee) - Information Only  
Division of Real Estate Development & Mgmt, DMS  
4050 Esplanade Way  
Tallahassee Florida 32399  
Phone: 850-487-9921

Private Prison Monitoring Program & LBR Issues

Weber, Mike (State Employee) - Information Only  
Bureau of Private Prison Monitoring, DMS  
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Tallahassee Florida 32399  
Phone: 850-488-4904

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