



## LEGISLATIVE REPORT

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- Current action
  - CS Committee Substitute
  - P Passed both Chambers
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For Period Ending January 22

### CONTRACTORS

**CS/HB 273 Public Records/Public Agency Contracts:** Amends s. 119.07(1), F.S., to include requirements on the transfer and retention of public records by a contractor upon completion of the contract. Stipulates that requests to inspect or copy public records relating to an agency's contract for services must be made directly to the agency. If the agency doesn't possess the requested records, the agency must immediately notify the contractor of the request, and the contractor must provide the records to the agency or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable period of time. Contractors who fail to provide the requested records to the agency within a reasonable time may be subject to penalties under s. 119.10. If a civil action is filed against a contractor to compel the contractor to produce records relating to a contract for services, the contractor will be required to pay reasonable attorney fees and costs *if* (1) a court determines the contractor unlawfully refused to comply with the public record request within a reasonable period of time; *and* (2) the requestor provides written notice of the request, including a statement that the contractor has failed to comply with the request, to the public agency and to the contractor at least 8 days prior to filing the action. Finally, a contractor who complies with a public record request within 8 days of the notice being sent will not be liable for attorney fees and costs. Companion to SB 390. *Rep. Halsey Beshears (R-Perry)*

- H. State Affairs Committee: Reported favorably by a vote of 15/1, with Rep. Gaetz voting no. Now on H. Calendar.

**CS/SB 390 Public Records/Public Agency Contracts:** Amends s. 119.0701, F.S., to include requirements on the transfer and retention of public records by a contractor upon completion of the contract. Stipulates that requests to inspect or copy public records relating to an agency's contract for services must be made directly to the agency. If the agency doesn't possess the requested records, the agency must immediately notify the contractor of the request, and the contractor must provide the records to the agency or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable period of time. Contractors who fail to provide the requested records to the agency within a reasonable time may be subject to penalties under s. 119.10. If a civil action is filed against a contractor to compel the contractor to produce records relating to a contract for services, the contractor will be required to pay reasonable attorney fees and costs *if* (1) a court determines the contractor unlawfully refused to comply with the public record request within a reasonable period of time; *and* (2) the requestor provides written notice of the request, including a statement that the contractor has failed to comply with the request, to the public agency and to the contractor at least 8 days prior to filing the action. Finally, stipulates that an award for reasonable attorney

fees and costs must be in accordance with s. 119.12. Companion to HB 273. *Sen. Wilton Simpson (R-New Port Richey)*

- S. Fiscal Policy Committee: Reported favorably. Now on S. Calendar.

## COURT RECORDS

**HB 741 Exemption/Involuntary Assessment Petitions:** Creates a public record exemption for involuntary assessment and stabilization petitions filed with a court. Amends s. 391.6815, F.S. Companion to SB 762. *Rep. Dave Kerner (D-Palm Springs) ???*

- H. Children, Families and Seniors Subcommittee: A strike-all amendment is adopted; reported favorably as a committee substitute. As amended, CS/HB 741 creates a public record exemption for all pleadings, documents, and the images of such records filed with a court pursuant to Part V of ch. 394, F.S., relating to involuntary admissions. Also prohibits a clerk of court from posting any identifying information about those identified in such petitions on the docket or in publicly accessible files. Now in H. Government Operations Subcommittee.

**SB 762 Exemption/Involuntary Assessment Petitions:** Creates a public record exemption for involuntary assessment and stabilization petitions filed with a court. Amends s. 391.6815, F.S. Companion to HB 741. *Sen. Joseph Abruzzo (D-Wellington) ???*

- S. Children, Families and Elder Affairs Committee: Reported favorably. Now in S. Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee.

**HB 1027 Exemption/Petitions for Incapacity:** Amends ch. 394, F.S. to create various public records exemptions for (1) personal identifying information of a person for whom a Baker Act petition is filed or ordered by a judge and filed with the clerk of court; (2) petitions and ex parte orders for involuntary examinations; (3) petitions and court orders related to involuntary outpatient placements; and (4) petitions and court orders for involuntary inpatient placements. Amends ss. 394.4615; 394.463; 394.4655; and 394.467, F.S. Companion to SB 1278 and SB 1280. *Rep. Janet Adkins (R-Fernandina Beach) ???*

★ To see FAF's letter on HB 1027, click here: <http://bit.ly/1S59Rjl>

- H. Children, Families and Seniors Subcommittee: A strike-all amendment is adopted; reported favorably as a committee substitute. As amended, CS/HB 1027 creates a public record exemption for all pleadings, documents, and the images of such records filed with a court pursuant to Part I of ch. 394, F.S., relating to Florida's Mental Health Act. Prohibits a clerk of court from posting any identifying information about those identified in the pleadings and documents on the docket or in publicly accessible files. Now in H. Government Operations Subcommittee.

**SB 1278 Exemption/Petitions for Incapacity:** Amends ch. 394, F.S. to create various public records exemptions for (1) personal identifying information of a person for whom a Baker Act petition is filed or ordered by a judge and filed with the clerk of court; (2) petitions and ex parte orders for involuntary examinations; (3) petitions and court orders related to involuntary outpatient placements; and (4) petitions and court orders for involuntary inpatient placements. Amends ss. 394.4615; 394.463; 394.4655; and 394.467, F.S. Companion to HB 1027 and SB 1280. *Sen. Jeremy Ring (R-Margate) ???*

★ To see FAF's letter on SB 1278, click here: <http://bit.ly/1nyDUER>

- S. Judiciary Committee: An amendment making minor changes is adopted; reported favorably as a committee substitute. Now in S. Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee.

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE

**HB 93 Body Cameras/Policies and Procedures:** Defines the term “body camera,” requiring law enforcement agencies using body cameras establish policies and procedures addressing the proper use, maintenance, and storage of body cameras and the data recorded by such cameras. Those law enforcement agencies using body cameras must also ensure that all personnel who use the cameras receive training on the agency’s policies and procedures. Creates s. 943.1718, F.S. Companion to SB 418. *Rep. Shev Jones (D-West Park) WATCH*

- H. Appropriations Committee: Reported favorably. Now in H. Judiciary Committee.

**CS/SB 386 Expunction/Criminal History Records – Minors:** Amends the provisions under ch. 943 relating to expunction of criminal history records of minors not classified as serious habitual offenders. Currently, s. 943.0515(1)(b), F.S., requires that such records be retained for 5 years after the minor turns 19, after which the record can be expunged under certain specified conditions. SB 386 allows expunction two years after the minor turns 19. Amends s. 943.0515(1)(b), F.S. Companion to HB 147. *Sen. Nancy Detert (R-Venice) WATCH*

- Senate Special Order Calendar: Rolled to third reading for passage by the Senate.

**HB 475 Exemption/Identity of Felony Witnesses:** Creates a public record exemption for personal information of those who witness a felony, stipulating that the information remains exempt until the conclusion of the prosecution or until the statute of limitation has run, whichever occurs first. If there is no statute of limitation, then the information remains exempt for 10 years after the felony was committed. Creates s. 119.071(2)(m), F.S. Companion to SB 1314. *Rep. Edwin Narain (D-Tampa) ☹️*

★ To see FAF’s letter on HB 475, click here: <http://bit.ly/1Z8sS40>

- H. Criminal Justice Subcommittee: A proposed committee substitute is adopted; reported favorably. As amended, CS/HB 475 creates a public record exemption for personal identifying information of those who witness a felony, stipulating that such information remains exempt for two years after the date on which the felony is observed. Now in H. Government Operations Subcommittee.

**HB 7079 Exemption/Expunged and Sealed Criminal History Records:** Creates a public record exemption for criminal history records that have been ordered expunged or sealed which have been retained by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE). Also exempts information that relates to the existence of such records, as well as criminal history records approved for nonjudicial sealing by FDLE. Amends ss. 943.0585, 943.059, and 943.0595. *H. Criminal Justice Subcommittee ???*

## EXAMINATIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS

**SB 7002 OGSR/Investigative and Audit Reports – Inspectors General:** Reenacts, with minor modification, the public record exemption for audit reports of internal auditors and investigative reports of inspectors general prepared on behalf of a unit of local government, stipulating that such records are subject to disclosure when the audit or investigation is final. Reenacts s. 119.0713(2), F.S. Companion to HB 7037. *S. Community Affairs Committee*

- S. Rules Committee: Reported favorably. Now on S. Calendar.

**SB 7032 OGSR/Examinations and Investigations – Office of Financial Regulation:** Reenacts, without modification, the public record exemption for information received by the Office of Financial Regulation (OFR) from another state or a federal agency that is otherwise confidential or exempt. Also reenacts the exemption for information that is received or developed by OFR as part of a joint or multiagency examination or investigation. Reenacts s. 119.0712(3), F.S. Companion to HB 7035. *S. Banking and Insurance Committee*

- S. Rules Committee: Reported favorably. Now on S. Calendar.

**HB 7037 OGSR/Investigative and Audit Reports – Inspectors General:** Reenacts, with minor modification, the public record exemption for audit reports of internal auditors and investigative reports of inspectors general prepared on behalf of a unit of local government, stipulating that such records are subject to disclosure when the audit or investigation is final. Reenacts s. 119.0713(2), F.S. Companion to SB 7002. *H. Government Operations Subcommittee*

- H. State Affairs Committee: Reported favorably. Now on H. Calendar.

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

**CS/SB 196 Exemption/State Infrastructure Bank:** Creates a public record exemption for financial statements or other financial information received by the Department of Transportation from a private entity as part of an application to the state-funded infrastructure bank. Stipulates that the exemption does not apply to records of applicants who are in default of a previously issued loan. Amends s. 339.55, F.S. Companion to HB 267. *Sen. Travis Hutson (R-Palm Coast)* 🚫

★ To see FAF's letter on SB 196, click here: <http://bit.ly/1OCKNz1>

- S. Rules Committee: Reported favorably by a vote of 11/2, with Sen. Joyner and Gibson voting no. Now on S. Calendar.

## LICENSED PROFESSIONALS

**HB 1063 Exemption/Nursing Licensure Compact:** HB 1061 enacts the Nurse Licensure Compact, a multi-state agreement that establishes a national recognition system for the licensure of nurses, allowing nurses who receive multi-state licenses in another state to practice in Florida. By enacting the Compact, Florida is required to adopt model legislation created by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing. HB 1063 creates a public record exemption for a nurse's personal identifying information obtained from the "coordinated licensure information system" held by the Department of Health or the Board of Nursing *unless* the state that originally reported the information authorizes disclosure by law. Also exempts meetings or portions of meetings of the Interstate Commission of Nurse Licensure Compact Administrators when discussing (1) the failure of a party state to comply with the Compact; (2) employment, compensation, discipline, or other personnel matters, practices, or procedures; (3) current, threatened, or reasonably anticipated litigation; (4) negotiation of contracts for the purchase or sale of goods, services, or real estate; (5) accusing any person of a crime or formally censuring any person; (6) trade secrets or commercial or financial information required by the commission's bylaws or rules to be kept privileged or confidential; (7) information of a personal nature which the commission determines by a majority vote would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy if disclosed; (8) active investigative records compiled for law enforcement purposes; (9) investigative reports prepared by or on behalf of the commission; (10) information made exempt by state or federal law; and (11) information made exempt pursuant to rules or bylaws of the commission which protect privacy and proprietary information. Finally,

creates a public record exemption for any records created during exempt meetings. Creates s. 464.0096, F.S. Companion to SB 1306. *Rep. Cary Pigman (R-Sebring)* ☹

★ To see FAF's letter on 1063, click here: <http://bit.ly/1J5y4ET>

- H. Government Operations Subcommittee: Reported favorably. Now in H. Health and Human Services Committee.

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

**SB 914 Exemption/Identifying Information – Property Tax Exemption for Disabled Persons:** Creates a public record exemption for medical information and personal identifying information of applicants and recipients of a property tax exemption for totally and permanently disabled persons held by a property appraiser or tax collector, and the Department of Revenue, Auditor General, and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability. Amends s. 119.071(5), F.S. Companion to HB 901. *Sen. Nancy Detert (R-Venice)* ☹

★ To see FAF's letter on SB 914, click here: <http://bit.ly/1Pe6Ms0>

- S. Community Affairs Committee: Reported favorably. Now in S. Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee.

**CS/SB 7004 OGSR/Identifying Information – Emergency Notification System:** Reenacts and slightly modifies the public record exemption for personal information provided to an agency for the purpose of receiving emergency notifications. Reenacts s. 119.071(5)(j), F.S. Companion to HB 7033. *S. Community Affairs Committee*

- S. Rules Committee: Reported favorably. Now on S. Calendar.

**SB 7020 OGSR/Identifying Information – Florida Health Choices Program:** Reenacts, without modification, public record exemptions for information identifying participants and proprietary confidential business information held by the Florida Health Choices Program. Reenacts s. 408.910(4), F.S. *S. Health Policy Committee*

- S. Rules Committee: Reported favorably. Now on S. Calendar.

**SB 7024 OGSR/Identifying Information – Florida Center for Brain Tumor Research:** Reenacts, without modification, the public record exemption for personal identifying information of donors to the central repository for brain tumor biopsies or the brain tumor registry. Reenacts s. 381.8531, F.S. Companion to HB 7041. *S. Health Policy Committee*

- S. Rules Committee: Reported favorably. Now on S. Calendar.

**HB 7041 OGSR/Identifying Information – Florida Center for Brain Tumor Research:** Reenacts, without modification, the public record exemption for personal identifying information of donors to the central repository for brain tumor biopsies or the brain tumor registry. Reenacts s. 381.8531, F.S. Companion to SB 7024. *H. Government Operations Subcommittee*

- H. Health and Human Services Committee: Reported favorably. Now on H. Calendar.

## PROCUREMENT

**SB 7030 OGSR/Competitive Solicitations:** Reenacts, without modification, the limited public record exemption for sealed bids or proposals received by an agency pursuant to a competitive solicitation. Also

reenacts, without change, the meetings exemption for portions of meetings at which negotiations with vendors are conducted pursuant to a competitive solicitation and certain portions of team Reenacts ss. 119.071(1)(b) and 286.0113(2), F.S. Companion to HB 7067. *S. Governmental Operations and Accountability Committee*

- Senate Special Order Calendar: Rolled to third reading for passage by the Senate.

### PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

**CS/SB 180 Exemption/Trade Secret - Financial Information:** Currently, s. 812.081, F.S., provides a public record exemption for trade secrets, defined as “any scientific, technical, or commercial information.” CS/SB 180 expands that definition to include financial information, meaning that all public record exemptions for trade secret information will also exempt financial information. A companion bill, SB 182, reenacts all trade secret exemptions under ch. 119, F.S., to incorporate the expanded definition. Amends s. 812.081, F.S. Companion to HB 55. *Sen. Garrett Richter (R-Naples)* ☹

★ To see FAF’s letter on SB 180, click here: <http://bit.ly/1kPLedl>

- Senate: Passed the Senate unanimously. Now in H. Messages.

**HB 381 Exemption/State Boxing Commission:** Currently, s. 548.062, F.S., provides an exemption for proprietary confidential business information contained in a written report that promoters are required to file with the State Boxing Commission after a boxing match. HB 381 expands the public record exemption to protect all proprietary confidential business information provided by a promoter to the Commission. Amends s. 548.062, F.S. Companion to SB 578. *Rep. Jake Raburn (R-Valrico)* ☹

★ To see FAF’s letter on HB 381, click here: <http://bit.ly/1RAoHA2>

- H. Regulatory Affairs Committee: An amendment to the required statement of public necessity is adopted; reported favorably as a committee substitute by a vote of 15/1, with Rep. Gaetz voting no. Now on H. Calendar.

**CS/SB 578 Exemption/State Boxing Commission:** Currently, s. 548.062, F.S., provides an exemption for proprietary confidential business information contained in a written report that promoters are required to file with the State Boxing Commission after a boxing match. HB 381 expands the public record exemption to protect all proprietary confidential business information provided by a promoter to the Commission. Amends s. 548.062, F.S. Companion to HB 381. *Sen. Travis Hutson (R-Palm Coast)* ☹

★ To see FAF’s letter on CS/SB 578, click here: <http://bit.ly/1Q9ygm3>

- S. Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee: A minor amendment is adopted; reported favorably as a committee substitute. Now in S. Rules Committee.

**BILLS TO WATCH – HB 381 and SB 578:** According to the Senate sponsor, the true purpose of this expansion of an already broad public record exemption is to protect the outcome of a boxing match prior to the match being televised. In other words, we’re creating an exception to our constitutional right of access to protect information about who won a match? It’s this sort of proposal that makes a mockery of our constitutional right of access.

### PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

**SB 320 Exemption/Home Addresses – Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics:** Creates a public record exemption for the home addresses, telephone numbers, dates of birth, and photographs of current

or former emergency medical technicians (EMTs) and paramedics certified under ch. 401, F.S. Also exempts the names, home addresses, telephone numbers, dates of birth, and places of employment of the spouses and children of such personnel, and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by their children. Stipulates that the exemption applies only if the EMTs and paramedics have taken reasonable steps to protect such information from being accessible through other means available to the public. Creates s. 119.071(4)(o), F.S. Companion to HB 391. *Sen. Garrett Richter (R-Naples)* ☹️

★ To see FAF's letter on SB 320, click here: <http://bit.ly/1JZVSos>

- Senate: Passed the Senate unanimously. Now in H. Messages.

**SB 592 Exemption/Home Addresses – DFS Non-Sworn Investigators:** Creates a public record exemption for the home addresses, telephone numbers, dates of birth, and photographs of current or former Department of Financial Services (DFS) non-sworn investigative personnel whose duties include investigation of fraud, theft, workers' compensation coverage, criminal activities, and state regulatory requirement violations. Also exempts the names, home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, photographs, dates of birth, and places of employment of the spouses and children of such personnel, and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by their children. Creates s. 119.071(4)(d)2.a.IV, F.S. Companion to HB 463. *Sen. Travis Hutson (R-Palm Coast)*

★ To see FAF's letter on SB 592, click here: <http://bit.ly/1Z8uifG>

- S. Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee: A minor amendment deleting the exemption for the photographs of spouses and children is adopted; reported favorably as a committee substitute. Now in S. Rules Committee.

**SB 752 Exemption/Home Addresses – Inspectors General:** Creates a public record exemption for the home addresses, telephone numbers, dates of birth, and photographs of current or former personnel employed in an agency's office of inspector general and those whose duties include conducting internal audits. Also exempts the names, home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, photographs, dates of birth, and places of employment of the spouses and children of such personnel, and the names and locations of schools and day care facilities attended by their children. Creates s. 119.071(4)(d)2.o., F.S. Companion to HB 587. *Sen. Joseph Abruzzo (D-Wellington)* ☹️

★ To see FAF's letter on SB 752, click here: <http://bit.ly/1OskpGT>

- S. Government Oversight and Accountability Committee: A minor amendment is adopted; reported favorably as a committee substitute. Now in S. Rules Committee.

## PUBLIC RECORDS

**SB 628 Fees for Public Records/Agency for Persons with Disabilities:** Adds the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to the list of agencies and vendors that pay a reduced per record fee for criminal history information. Amends s. 943.053, F.S. Companion to HB 1089. *Sen. Garrett Richter (R-Naples)* WATCH

- S. Appropriation Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice: Reported favorably. Now in S. Fiscal Policy Committee.

**SB 724 Public Records/Custodian Liability:** Amends the public records law to stipulate that a court may hold a custodian of public record personally liable for reasonable attorney fees and costs if the agency or the custodian (1) unlawfully refused to permit a public record to be inspected or copied; and (2) asserted a claim or defense during a civil action to compel compliance that the agency or custodian knew was not supported by the facts. Amends s. 119.12, F.S. Companion to HB 857. *Sen. Arthenia Joyner (R-Tampa)* 😊

★ To see FAF's letter on SB 724, click here: <http://bit.ly/1OskpGT>

- S. Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee: Temporarily postponed.

**UPDATE – SB 724:** Normally, we don't include bills in our report that were temporarily postponed in committee, but the debate in committee on SB 724 was interesting. Specifically, Sen. Latvala was concerned about "breaking new ground" by requiring a public official who has been found by a judge to have intentionally violated the law to pay attorney fees. (Currently, if we sue for a violation of law and the court determines there has been a violation, the court awards attorney fees that are almost always paid with taxpayer dollars.) In moving to temporarily postpone the bill, Sen. Latvala said that SB 724 was "a major piece of legislation" that may need to "ripen." Contrast this to the fact that the House Government Operations Committee unanimously passed HB 1021, arguably making the biggest and most negative change to our right of access in decades, with virtually no debate. See HB 1021 below.

**HB 1021 Public Record/Reasonable Attorney Fees and Costs:** Current law requires a court to award reasonable attorney fees and costs when the court finds that an agency violated the public records law. HB 1021 amends the attorney fee provision to say the court *may* award such fees and costs, and requires plaintiffs to provide notice of a public record request to an agency at least five days before filing suit to force compliance with the public records law. Amends s. 119.12, F.S. Companion to SB 1220. *Rep. Greg Steube (R-Sarasota)* ☹

★ To see FAF's letter on HB 1021, click here: <http://bit.ly/1RckhPi>

- H. Government Operations Subcommittee: Reported favorably. Now in H. Government Operations Appropriations Subcommittee.

**BILLS TO WATCH:** Click here <http://bit.ly/1Oxcqbj> to watch the podcast of the H. Government Operations Committee consideration of HB 1021 on January 20.

**UPDATE:** The Senate companion, SB 1220, is scheduled for consideration by the S. Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee on Tuesday, January 26, at 9:00 AM.

## SECURITY

**CS/SB 624 Exemption/State Agency Cyber Security Programs:** Creates a public record exemption for records held by a state agency which identify detection, investigation, or response practices for suspected or confirmed information technology security incidents, including breaches. The exemption applies if disclosure of such records would facilitate unauthorized access to or modification, disclosure, or destruction of data, information, or information technology resources. Also creates an exemption for portions of risk assessments, evaluations, external audits, and other reports of a state agency's cyber security programs. Amends s. 282.318(4), F.S. Companion to HB 1037. *Sen. Alan Hays (R-Umatilla)*

- Senate Special Order Calendar: Rolled to third reading for passage by the Senate.

**HB 869 Exemption/Security Camera Recordings:** Expands the public record exemption for security systems plans under s. 119.071(3), F.S., to also exempt video and audio recordings from a security system camera. Amends s. 119.071(3), F.S. Companion to SB 1004. *Rep. Shawn Harrison (R-Tampa)* ☹

★ To see FAF's letter on HB 869, click here: <http://bit.ly/1kPN2mz>



- H. Government Operations Subcommittee: A proposed committee substitute is adopted; reported favorably. As amended, CS/HB 869 amends s. 119.071(3)(a), F.S., providing an exemption for security system plans, to allow access to the protected plans upon court order and a showing of good cause. Now in H. Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

**SB 1004 Exemption/Security Camera Recordings:** Expands the public record exemption for security systems plans under s. 119.071(3), F.S., to also exempt video and audio recordings from a security system camera. Amends s. 119.071(3), F.S. Companion to HB 869. *Sen. Alan Hays (R-Umatilla)* ☹️

★ To see FAF's letter on SB 1004, click here: <http://bit.ly/1OdtEs8>

- S. Community Affairs Committee: A strike-all amendment is adopted; reported favorably as a committee substitute. As amended, CS/SB 1004 amends s. 119.071(3)(a), F.S., providing an exemption for security system plans, to allow access to the protected plans upon court order and a showing of good cause. Now in S. Rules Committee.

**UPDATE – HB 869 and SB 1004:** The Foundation's opposition to these bills was based on the expansion of the exemption for security system plans. Our concerns have been addressed by the amendments adopted this week and our position has changed to neutral.

## TRANSPARENCY

**HB 1175 Health Care Transparency:** In pertinent part, requires: (1) hospitals and insurers to make information available that will allow consumers to make health care decisions based on cost and quality; (2) the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) to provide public access to an internet-based health information platform; and (3) health insurers and HMOs to make available information to estimate certain health care service costs and charges on their websites. Amends s. 395.301, F.S. Companion to SB 1496. *Rep. Chris Sprowls (R-Clearwater)* WATCH

- H. Select Committee on Affordable Healthcare Access: Reported favorably. Now in H. Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee.

**SB 1496 Health Care Transparency:** Companion to HB 1175. *Sen. Bob Bradley (R-Orange Park)* WATCH

- S. Health Policy Committee: Reported favorably. Now in S. Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services.

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