

FDSTF Legislative Tracker – As of: April 6, 2015

2015 Bills (27)

Num	Title	Sponsor	
<a href="#">HB 0109</a>	<b>Relating to Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot</b>	<a href="#">Broxson</a>	04/03/15
(C: <a href="#">1161</a> ) ) (I: <a href="#">0184</a> )	<p>Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot: Authorizes absent uniformed services voters &amp; overseas voters to use federal write-in absentee ballot in state or local election; authorizes elector to vote on ballot measure in election using federal write-in absentee ballot; specifies that vote cast in judicial merit retention election is treated in same manner as vote on certain ballot measures; allows for minor variations in name of ballot measure; prohibits supervisor of elections from canvassing federal write-in absentee ballots from overseas voters in certain elections until specified period after date of election; revises minimum requirements for DOS rules used to determine what constitutes valid vote on federal write-in absentee ballot. Effective Date: July 1, 2015</p> <p>12/16/14 HOUSE Filed</p> <p>01/08/15 HOUSE Referred to Government Operations Subcommittee; Transportation &amp; Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee</p> <p>01/08/15 HOUSE Now in Government Operations Subcommittee</p> <p>03/13/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Government Operations Subcommittee, 03/17/15, 8:00 am, 212 K</p> <p>03/17/15 HOUSE Favorable by Government Operations Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays</p> <p>03/17/15 HOUSE Now in Transportation &amp; Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee</p> <p>04/03/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Transportation &amp; Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee, 04/07/15, 8:45 am, 102 H</p>		
<a href="#">SB 0148</a>	<b>Relating to Resident Status for Tuition Purposes</b>	<a href="#">Ring</a>	12/12/14
	<p>Resident Status for Tuition Purposes; Revising criteria relating to the classification of active duty members of the Armed Services of the United States, and their spouses and dependent children, as residents for tuition purposes, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015</p> <p>11/24/14 SENATE Filed</p> <p>12/12/14 SENATE Referred to Higher Education; Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations</p>		

**[HB 0177](#) Relating to Persons with Developmental Disabilities [Hill](#) 03/16/15**

Persons with Developmental Disabilities: Revises definition of term "developmental disability" to include Down syndrome; adds certain individuals whose parent or guardian is active-duty servicemember of United States Armed Forces or member of Florida National Guard who resides in state to wait list priority categories. Effective Date: July 1, 2015  
(C: [0380](#) )  
([7022](#) )  
01/06/15 HOUSE Filed  
01/15/15 HOUSE Referred to Children, Families & Seniors Subcommittee; Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee; Health & Human Services Committee  
01/15/15 HOUSE Now in Children, Families & Seniors Subcommittee  
03/09/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Children, Families & Seniors Subcommittee, 03/11/15, 10:00 am, 12 H  
03/11/15 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Children, Families & Seniors Subcommittee; 13 Yeas, 0 Nays  
03/13/15 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed  
03/16/15 HOUSE Now in Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee

**[SB 0184](#) Relating to Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot [Evers](#) 04/02/15**

Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot; Authorizing absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters to use the federal write-in absentee ballot in any state or local election; prohibiting the supervisor of elections from canvassing federal write-in absentee ballots from overseas voters in certain elections until 10 days after the date of the election; revising minimum requirements for Department of State rules used to determine what constitutes a valid vote on a federal write-in absentee ballot, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015  
(C: [1161](#) )  
([1019](#) )  
12/12/14 SENATE Filed  
01/08/15 SENATE Referred to Ethics and Elections; Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Fiscal Policy  
03/05/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Ethics and Elections, 03/10/15, 4:00 pm, 412 K  
03/10/15 SENATE Favorable by Ethics and Elections; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays  
03/11/15 SENATE Now in Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security  
03/12/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security, 03/17/15, 9:00 am, 37 S  
03/17/15 SENATE Favorable by Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays  
03/17/15 SENATE Now in Fiscal Policy  
03/23/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Fiscal Policy, 03/26/15, 9:00 am, 412 K  
03/26/15 SENATE Favorable by Fiscal Policy; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays  
03/26/15 SENATE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading  
03/26/15 SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/01/15  
04/01/15 SENATE Read Second Time; Placed on Third Reading, 04/02/15

04/02/15 SENATE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 37 Yeas / 0 Nays)

<a href="#">HB 0185</a>	<b>Relating to Public Records/Active Duty Servicemembers and Families</b>	<a href="#">Gaetz (M)</a>	04/03/15
(S: <a href="#">0674</a> )	Public Records/Active Duty Servicemembers and Families: Provides exemption from public records requirements for certain identification & location information of current or former servicemembers of United States Armed Forces, Reserve Forces, or National Guard, & spouses & children; provides applicability; provides for future review & repeal of exemption; provides statement of public necessity. Effective Date: upon becoming a law		
	01/06/15 HOUSE Filed		
	01/15/15 HOUSE Referred to Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee; Government Operations Subcommittee; Local & Federal Affairs Committee		
	01/15/15 HOUSE Now in Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee		
	02/04/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee, 02/11/15, 3:30 pm, 12 H		
	02/11/15 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays		
	02/13/15 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed		
	02/18/15 HOUSE Now in Government Operations Subcommittee		
	03/20/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Government Operations Subcommittee, 03/24/15, 8:00 am, 212 K		
	03/24/15 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Government Operations Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays		
	03/26/15 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed		
	03/27/15 HOUSE Now in Local & Federal Affairs Committee		
	03/30/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Local & Federal Affairs Committee, 04/01/15, 8:00 am, 212 K		
	04/01/15 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Local & Federal Affairs Committee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays		
	04/02/15 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C3) Filed		
	04/03/15 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading		

<a href="#">SB 0240</a>	<b>Relating to Driver Licenses and Identification Cards</b>	<a href="#">Brandes</a>	04/02/15
(S: <a href="#">0027</a> )	Driver Licenses and Identification Cards; Providing for the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to accept a military identification card to meet certain requirements for issuance of an identification card or a driver license, respectively, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015		
	01/06/15 SENATE Filed		
	01/13/15 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Rules		
	03/09/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Transportation, 03/12/15, 9:00 am, 37 S		

03/12/15 SENATE Favorable with CS by Transportation; 7 Yeas, 0 Nays  
 03/12/15 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed  
 03/17/15 SENATE Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation,  
 Tourism, and Economic Development  
 03/30/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations Subcommittee on  
 Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development, 04/02/15, 9:00 am,  
 301 S  
 04/02/15 SENATE Favorable by Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation,  
 Tourism, and Economic Development; 9 Yeas, 0 Nays  
 04/02/15 SENATE Now in Rules

**HB 0277 Relating to Public Lodging Establishments      Hager      04/02/15**

Public Lodging Establishments: Requires specified public lodging establishments to  
 (I: [0394](#)) waive certain policies for individuals who present valid military identification card.  
 Effective Date: July 1, 2015

01/15/15 HOUSE Filed  
 01/22/15 HOUSE Referred to Business & Professions Subcommittee; Veteran &  
 Military Affairs Subcommittee; Regulatory Affairs Committee  
 01/22/15 HOUSE Now in Business & Professions Subcommittee  
 01/27/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Business & Professions Subcommittee,  
 02/03/15, 1:30 pm, 12 H  
 02/03/15 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Business & Professions Subcommittee; 13  
 Yeas, 0 Nays  
 02/04/15 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed  
 02/05/15 HOUSE Now in Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee  
 02/10/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Veteran & Military Affairs  
 Subcommittee, 02/17/15, 3:30 pm, 12 H  
 02/17/15 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee;  
 13 Yeas, 0 Nays  
 02/23/15 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed  
 02/24/15 HOUSE Now in Regulatory Affairs Committee  
 03/03/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Regulatory Affairs Committee, 03/05/15,  
 8:30 am, 404 H  
 03/05/15 HOUSE Favorable by Regulatory Affairs Committee; 16 Yeas, 0 Nays  
 03/05/15 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading  
 03/12/15 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/17/15  
 03/17/15 HOUSE Read Second Time; Placed on Third Reading, 03/18/15  
 03/18/15 HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 113 Yeas / 1 Nay)  
 03/26/15 SENATE In Messages  
 03/27/15 SENATE Received; Referred to Regulated Industries; Commerce and  
 Tourism; Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security  
 04/01/15 SENATE Withdrawn from Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism;  
 Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Placed on  
 Calendar, on 2nd reading; Substituted for SB 0394; Read Second Time;

Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 36 Yeas / 0 Nays)  
04/02/15 HOUSE Ordered enrolled

<a href="#">HB 0361</a>	<b>Relating to Military Housing Ad Valorem Tax Exemptions</b>	<a href="#">Trumbull</a>	03/23/15
(S: <a href="#">0686</a> )	Military Housing Ad Valorem Tax Exemptions: Grants certain leasehold interests & improvements to land owned by U.S. or agency thereof, branch of U.S. Armed Forces, or quasi-governmental agency exemption from ad valorem taxation; exempts such leasehold interests & improvements without need to apply for exemption or property appraiser approving exemption; provides nonapplicability & retroactive applicability. Effective Date: July 1, 2015		
)	01/20/15 HOUSE Filed		
	01/28/15 HOUSE Referred to Finance & Tax Committee; Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee; Local & Federal Affairs Committee		
	01/28/15 HOUSE Now in Finance & Tax Committee		
	02/04/15 Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 02/06/15, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)		
	02/05/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Finance & Tax Committee, 02/12/15, 10:00 am, 17 H		
	02/12/15 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Finance & Tax Committee; 16 Yeas, 0 Nays		
	02/13/15 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed		
	02/18/15 HOUSE Now in Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee		
	03/02/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee, 03/04/15, 9:00 am, 12 H		
	03/04/15 HOUSE Favorable by Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 1 Nay		
	03/04/15 HOUSE Now in Local & Federal Affairs Committee		
	03/17/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Local & Federal Affairs Committee, 03/19/15, 9:00 am, 212 K		
	03/19/15 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Local & Federal Affairs Committee; 17 Yeas, 0 Nays		
	03/20/15 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed		
	03/23/15 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading		

<a href="#">SB 0380</a>	<b>Relating to Persons with Developmental Disabilities</b>	<a href="#">Bradley</a>	03/13/15
(C: <a href="#">0177</a> )	Persons with Developmental Disabilities; Requiring the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to allow an applicant whose parent or guardian is a member of the United States Armed Forces, the Florida National Guard, or the United States Reserve Forces to receive Medicaid home and community-based waiver program services under certain conditions, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015		
)	01/16/15 SENATE Filed		
	01/23/15 SENATE Referred to Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services;		

Appropriations

- 02/09/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security, 02/17/15, 9:00 am, 37 S
- 02/17/15 SENATE Favorable by Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; 4 Yeas, 0 Nays
- 02/18/15 SENATE Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services
- 03/06/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, 03/11/15, 9:00 am, 401 S
- 03/11/15 SENATE Favorable with CS by Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; 7 Yeas, 0 Nays
- 03/13/15 SENATE Now in Appropriations

**SB 0394 Relating to Public Lodging Establishments** [Brandes](#) 04/01/15

(I: [0277](#)) Public Lodging Establishments; Requiring specified public lodging establishments to waive certain policies for individuals who present a valid military identification card, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015

- 01/20/15 SENATE Filed
- 01/28/15 SENATE Referred to Regulated Industries; Commerce and Tourism; Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security
- 02/09/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Regulated Industries, 02/18/15, 2:00 pm, 110 S
- 02/18/15 SENATE Favorable with CS by Regulated Industries; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays
- 02/19/15 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed
- 02/20/15 SENATE Now in Commerce and Tourism
- 02/23/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Commerce and Tourism, 03/02/15, 1:00 pm, 110 S
- 03/02/15 SENATE Favorable by Commerce and Tourism; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays
- 03/02/15 SENATE Now in Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security
- 03/05/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security, 03/10/15, 1:30 pm, 37 S
- 03/10/15 SENATE Favorable with CS by Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays
- 03/12/15 SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/18/15 - If Received
- 03/12/15 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed
- 03/12/15 SENATE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading
- 03/12/15 SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/18/15
- 03/18/15 SENATE Read Second Time; Placed on Third Reading, 03/24/15
- 03/24/15 SENATE Temporarily Postponed on Third Reading
- 04/01/15 SENATE Read Third Time; Substituted for HB 0277; Laid on Table, Refer to HB 0277

**[SB 0484](#) Relating to Regional Planning Councils** [Simpson](#) 04/03/15

Regional Planning Councils; Requiring the state land planning agency to identify parties that may enter into mediation relating to the compatibility of developments with military installations; requiring electric utilities to notify the county, rather than the regional planning council, of its current plans to site electric substations; authorizing local governments to enter into agreements to create regional planning entities; revising the requirements for the statewide emergency shelter plan to include the general location and square footage of special needs shelters by county rather than by regional planning council region, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015

(C: [0873](#)  
[0933](#))

01/23/15 SENATE Filed

02/03/15 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations

03/05/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Community Affairs, 03/10/15, 1:30 pm, 301 S

03/10/15 SENATE Favorable with CS by Community Affairs; 7 Yeas, 0 Nays

03/11/15 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

03/12/15 SENATE Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development

03/30/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development, 04/02/15, 9:00 am, 301 S

04/02/15 SENATE Favorable with CS by Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; 9 Yeas, 0 Nays

04/03/15 SENATE Now in Appropriations

**[HB 0529](#) Relating to Defense Contracting** [Smith \(J\)](#) 03/10/15

Defense Contracting: Establishes Defense Works in Florida Incentive; authorizes Florida prime contractor to apply to DEO to certify that it may reduce its computation of adjusted federal income by specified amount; provides caps for aggregate amount of qualified subcontract awards that may be certified per calendar year; revises definition of term "adjusted federal income" to provide for reduction in taxable income equal to specified amount of qualified subcontract awards certified by DEO. Effective Date: July 1, 2015

(C: [7141](#)  
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(S: [0980](#)  
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01/28/15 HOUSE Filed

02/05/15 HOUSE Referred to Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; Finance & Tax Committee; Economic Affairs Committee

02/05/15 HOUSE Now in Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee

02/18/15 Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 02/20/15, 1:00 pm, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

03/06/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee, 03/10/15, 9:00 am, 12 H

03/10/15 HOUSE Favorable by Economic Development & Tourism Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays

03/10/15 HOUSE Now in Finance & Tax Committee

[HB 0629](#) **Relating to Military Veterans with Mobility Impairment** [McGhee](#) 02/18/15

(I: [1418](#)) Provides for eligible Purple Heart license plate applicants to receive appropriate special license plate with international symbol of accessibility. Effective Date: July 1, 2015  
02/05/15 HOUSE Filed  
02/18/15 HOUSE Referred to Highway & Waterway Safety Subcommittee; Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Subcommittee; Economic Affairs Committee  
02/18/15 HOUSE Now in Highway & Waterway Safety Subcommittee

[SB 0674](#) **Relating to Public Records/ Servicemember Identification and Location Information** [Evers](#) 04/02/15

(S: [0185](#)) Public Records/ Servicemember Identification and Location Information; Defining the terms “identification and location information” and “servicemember”; providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain identification and location information of servicemembers and the spouses and dependents of servicemembers; providing for retroactive application; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law  
02/04/15 SENATE Filed  
02/06/15 SENATE Referred to Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Rules  
02/27/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security, 03/04/15, 1:00 pm, 37 S  
03/04/15 SENATE Favorable with CS by Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; 4 Yeas, 0 Nays  
03/06/15 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed  
03/06/15 SENATE Now in Governmental Oversight and Accountability  
03/12/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Governmental Oversight and Accountability, 03/17/15, 9:00 am, 401 S  
03/17/15 SENATE Not Considered by Governmental Oversight and Accountability  
03/26/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Governmental Oversight and Accountability, 03/31/15, 10:30 am, 401 S  
03/31/15 SENATE Favorable with CS by Governmental Oversight and Accountability; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays  
04/01/15 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed  
04/02/15 SENATE Now in Rules

[SB 0686](#) **Relating to Military Housing Ad Valorem Tax Exemptions** [Lee \(T\)](#) 03/25/15

(S: [0361](#)) Military Housing Ad Valorem Tax Exemptions; Providing that certain leasehold interests and improvements to land owned by the United States, a branch of the United States Armed Forces, or any agency or quasi-governmental agency of the United States are exempt from ad valorem taxation under specified circumstances;



providing that such leasehold interests and improvements are entitled to an exemption from ad valorem taxation without an application being filed for the exemption or the property appraiser approving the exemption, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015

02/04/15 SENATE Filed

02/06/15 SENATE Referred to Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Finance and Tax; Appropriations

02/27/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security, 03/04/15, 1:00 pm, 37 S

03/04/15 SENATE Favorable by Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; 4 Yeas, 0 Nays

03/05/15 SENATE Now in Finance and Tax

03/18/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Finance and Tax, 03/23/15, 4:00 pm, 401 S

03/23/15 SENATE Favorable with CS by Finance and Tax; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays

03/24/15 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

03/25/15 SENATE Now in Appropriations

**SB 0980 Relating to Defense Contracting** Soto 04/02/15

(C: 7141)  
(S: 0529)  
Defense Contracting; Establishing the Defense Works in Florida Incentive; authorizing a Florida prime contractor to apply to the Department of Economic Opportunity to certify that it may reduce its computation of adjusted federal income by a specified amount; revising the definition of the term "adjusted federal income" to provide for a reduction in taxable income equal to a specified amount of qualified subcontract awards certified by the Department of Economic Opportunity, etc.

Effective Date: 7/1/2015

02/18/15 SENATE Filed

02/26/15 SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Finance and Tax; Appropriations

03/11/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Commerce and Tourism, 03/16/15, 2:00 pm, 110 S

03/16/15 SENATE Favorable with CS by Commerce and Tourism; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays

03/17/15 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

03/18/15 SENATE Now in Finance and Tax

03/25/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Finance and Tax, 03/30/15, 4:00 pm, 401 S

03/30/15 SENATE Favorable with CS by Finance and Tax; 7 Yeas, 0 Nays

04/01/15 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed

04/01/15 Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 04/03/15, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

04/02/15 SENATE Now in Appropriations

**HB 1009 Relating to Spouses of Military Servicemembers** Jacobs 03/03/15

Spouses of Military Servicemembers: Prohibits employing agencies from compelling employees who are spouses of military servicemembers to work, or impose sanctions or penalties upon such employees for failure or refusal to work, (I: [1358](#)) extended hours during active military service deployment of spouse under specified circumstances; requires employing agencies to grant requests from such employees for certain unpaid leave; authorizes DMS to adopt rules. Effective Date: July 1, 2015

02/25/15 HOUSE Filed

03/03/15 HOUSE Referred to Government Operations Subcommittee; Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee; Appropriations Committee; State Affairs Committee

03/03/15 HOUSE Now in Government Operations Subcommittee

**HB 1091 Relating to Military Affairs** Steube 04/01/15

Military Affairs: Requires application form for original, renewal, or replacement driver license or identification card to include voluntary checkoff permitting veterans to request written information for federal, state, & local programs; directs DHSMV to report veteran information to DVA; directs DVA to disseminate veteran information to county or city veteran service officers & third-party provider; prohibits third-party provider from selling veteran information; creates Overseas Military Voting Assistance Task Force; requires Division of Elections to provide support staff to task force & Agency for State Technology to assist task force upon request; requires Secretary of State to submit report to Governor & Legislature containing task force recommendations for development & implementation of online voting system; provides for SBE & BOG to work collaboratively to align existing degree programs at state universities & Florida College System institutions, train faculty, coordinate campus disability services, facilitate statewide meetings for personnel, & provide sufficient courses & priority registration to veterans. Effective Date: July 1, 2015

(C: [7055](#))  
(S: [1296](#))

02/26/15 HOUSE Filed

03/09/15 HOUSE Referred to Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee; Appropriations Committee; Local & Federal Affairs Committee

03/09/15 HOUSE Now in Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee

03/10/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee, 03/12/15, 9:00 am, 12 H

03/12/15 HOUSE Favorable by Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee; 11 Yeas, 0 Nays

03/12/15 HOUSE Now in Appropriations Committee

03/17/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Appropriations Committee, 03/19/15, 3:00 pm, 212 K

03/19/15 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Appropriations Committee; 26 Yeas, 0 Nays

03/23/15 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

03/24/15 HOUSE Now in Local & Federal Affairs Committee  
03/30/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Local & Federal Affairs Committee,  
04/01/15, 8:00 am, 212 K  
04/01/15 HOUSE Favorable by Local & Federal Affairs Committee; 14 Yeas, 0  
Nays  
04/01/15 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

**HB 1095 Relating to Discounts on Public Park Entrance Fees & Transportation Fares** Rooney 04/01/15

(S: 0721 Discounts on Public Park Entrance Fees & Transportation Fares: Requires counties  
1430) & municipalities to provide discounts on public park entrance fees to military  
members, veterans, & spouses & parents of certain deceased military members, law  
enforcement officers, firefighters, & emergency workers; requires regional  
transportation authorities to provide discounts on fares & charges to certain disabled  
veterans; defines "park entrance fees." Effective Date: July 1, 2015

02/26/15 HOUSE Filed  
03/09/15 HOUSE Referred to Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee; Local  
Government Affairs Subcommittee; Local & Federal Affairs Committee  
03/09/15 HOUSE Now in Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee  
03/10/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Veteran & Military Affairs  
Subcommittee, 03/12/15, 9:00 am, 12 H  
03/12/15 HOUSE Favorable by Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee; 11 Yeas,  
0 Nays  
03/12/15 HOUSE Now in Local Government Affairs Subcommittee  
03/16/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Local Government Affairs Subcommittee,  
03/18/15, 8:00 am, 212 K  
03/18/15 HOUSE Favorable by Local Government Affairs Subcommittee; 12 Yeas,  
0 Nays  
03/18/15 Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating  
Impact Conference, 03/20/15, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)  
03/19/15 HOUSE Now in Local & Federal Affairs Committee  
03/24/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Local & Federal Affairs Committee,  
03/26/15, 9:00 am, 212 K - PCS  
03/26/15 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Local & Federal Affairs Committee; 16  
Yeas, 0 Nays  
03/31/15 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed  
04/01/15 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

**SB 1162 Relating to Driver Licenses** Sachs 02/27/15

Driver Licenses; Decreasing the fee for the renewal or extension of a Class E driver  
license or a license restricted to motorcycle use; decreasing the replacement fee for  
a driver license; revising the allocation of such fee; providing that any veteran  
honorably discharged from the Armed Forces who has served at least 1 day during a  
wartime period and who is qualified to obtain a driver license under this chapter is  
exempt from all fees required by this section, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015

02/23/15 SENATE Filed

02/27/15 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations

**SB 1296 Relating to Military and Veterans Affairs** [Bean](#) 04/03/15

Military and Veterans Affairs; Creating the Military and Overseas Voting Assistance Task Force within the Department of State; providing legislative findings regarding continuing education for veterans of the United States Armed Forces; requiring the application form for an original, renewal, or replacement driver license or identification card to include a voluntary checkoff permitting certain veterans to request written information for federal, state, and local veteran services programs, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015

(C: [7055](#))

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(S: [1091](#))

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02/25/15 SENATE Filed

03/02/15 SENATE Referred to Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Ethics and Elections; Appropriations

03/05/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security, 03/10/15, 1:30 pm, 37 S

03/10/15 SENATE Temporarily postponed by Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security

03/12/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security, 03/17/15, 9:00 am, 37 S

03/17/15 SENATE Favorable with CS by Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; 4 Yeas, 0 Nays

03/19/15 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

03/19/15 SENATE Reference to Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development added; Remaining references: Ethics and Elections; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations

03/19/15 SENATE Now in Ethics and Elections

03/26/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Ethics and Elections, 03/31/15, 4:00 pm, 412 K

03/31/15 SENATE Favorable by Ethics and Elections; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays

04/01/15 SENATE Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development

04/03/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development, 04/08/15, 10:00 am, 301 S

**SB 1358 Relating to Spouses of Military Servicemembers** [Abruzzo](#) 03/02/15

Spouses Of Military Servicemembers; Prohibiting an employing agency from compelling an employee who is the spouse of a military servicemember to work, or (I: [1009](#)) imposing a sanction or penalty upon such employee for failure or refusal to work, extended hours during active military service deployment of his or her spouse under specified circumstances; requiring an employing agency to grant a request from

such employee for unpaid leave for certain purposes upon the active military service deployment under specified circumstances, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015

02/25/15 SENATE Filed

03/02/15 SENATE Referred to Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Commerce and Tourism; Appropriations

[SB 1398](#) **Relating to Driver Licenses And Identification Cards** [Altman](#) 03/03/15

(S: [0027](#)) Driver Licenses and Identification Cards; Authorizing the word “Veteran” to be exhibited on the driver license or identification card of a veteran; providing applicability, etc.; Effective Date: 7/1/2015  
02/26/15 SENATE Filed  
03/03/15 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Appropriations

[SB 1430](#) **Relating to Discounts on Public Park Entrance Fees and Transportation Fares** [Abruzzo](#) 03/31/15

(S: [0721](#)  
[1095](#)) Discounts on Public Park Entrance Fees and Transportation Fares; Requiring counties to provide a partial or a full discount on park entrance fees to military members, veterans, and the spouse and parents of certain deceased military members, law enforcement officers, and firefighters; requiring regional transportation authorities to provide a partial or a full discount on fares and on other charges for certain disabled veterans; requiring municipalities to provide a partial or a full discount on park entrance fees to military members, veterans, and the spouse and parents of certain deceased military members, law enforcement officers, and firefighters, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015  
02/26/15 SENATE Filed  
03/03/15 SENATE Referred to Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; Community Affairs; Fiscal Policy  
03/18/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security, 03/23/15, 3:00 pm, 37 S  
03/23/15 SENATE Favorable by Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays  
03/23/15 SENATE Now in Community Affairs  
03/26/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Community Affairs, 03/31/15, 10:00 am, 301 S  
03/31/15 SENATE Favorable by Community Affairs; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays  
03/31/15 SENATE Now in Fiscal Policy

[SB 7076](#) **Relating to Military and Veteran Support** [Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security](#) 04/02/15

(C: [0834](#)) Military and Veteran Support; Removing the requirement that an applicant to the Defense Infrastructure Grant Program provide matching funds of a certain amount;  
(S: [7133](#)) requiring the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to waive initial

- ) professional licensing fees for a veteran who has received a general discharge under honorable conditions; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles and the Department of Military Affairs to create a pilot program for commercial driver license testing for qualified members of the Florida National Guard by a specified date, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2015
- 03/26/15 SENATE Filed
- 03/26/15 SENATE On Committee agenda - Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security, 03/31/15, 10:00 am, 37 S
- 03/31/15 SENATE Submitted as Committee Bill by Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays
- 04/01/15 SENATE Committee Bill Text Filed
- 04/02/15 SENATE Referred to Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Fiscal Policy

<a href="#"><u>HB 7133</u></a> <b>Relating to Military and Veteran Support</b>	<a href="#"><u>Veteran &amp; Military Affairs Subcommittee</u></a>	03/30/15
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- Military and Veteran Support: Authorizes local governing bodies to aid & assist veterans with general discharges under honorable conditions in presenting claims for & securing federal & state benefits & privileges; requires that DVA, through a
- (C: [0834](#) direct-support organization & in consultation with DACS, include certain federal, state, & local information on agriculture & farming opportunities in Florida
  - )
  - (S: [7076](#) Veterans' Benefits Guide; exempts veterans with general discharges under
  - ) honorable conditions from initial licensing, application, & unlicensed activity fees for any license issued by DBPR; requires that DHSMV & DVA jointly create pilot program to provide onsite commercial driver license testing opportunities to qualified members of Florida National Guard. Effective Date: July 1, 2015
  - 03/26/15 HOUSE Filed (Formerly PCB VMAS1)
  - 03/30/15 HOUSE Referred to Local & Federal Affairs Committee
  - 03/30/15 HOUSE Now in Local & Federal Affairs Committee

<a href="#"><u>VMAS1</u></a> <b>Relating to Military and Veteran Support</b>	<a href="#"><u>Veteran &amp; Military Affairs Subcommittee</u></a>	03/26/15
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- PCB VMAS 15-01 -- Military and Veteran Support
- 03/20/15 HOUSE Filed
- 03/20/15 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee, 03/24/15, 1:00 pm, 12 H
- 03/24/15 HOUSE Submitted as Committee Bill by Veteran & Military Affairs Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays
- 03/26/15 HOUSE Committee Bill filed as HB 7133