



## Legislative Report for January 16, 2025

### General Bills

#### SB 1452: Department of Business and Professional Regulation

GENERAL BILL by [Truenow](#)

Department of Business and Professional Regulation; Repealing provisions relating to expenditure of excess funds; the Board of Employee Leasing Companies, membership, appointments, and terms; rules of the board; the Barbers' Board; the Board of Cosmetology; interior design, practice requirements, disclosure of compensation for professional services; disciplinary proceedings against registered interior designers; the Board of Landscape Architecture; the Board of Professional Geologists; the Drug Wholesale Distributor Advisory Council; and liens for interior design services, respectively, etc.

**Effective Date:** 7/1/2025

**Last Action:** 2/26/2025 Senate - Filed

#### HB 1185: Department of Management Services

GENERAL BILL by Sapp

Department of Management Services; Provides for equal employment opportunity; prohibits discrimination in employment; prohibits executive agencies from engaging in certain employment practices; authorizes certain persons to file complaint with Attorney General or Department of Business of Professional Regulation; provides for competitive procurement of claims review services for state group health insurance plans; revises exempt positions that are not covered by career service system; revises recruitment provisions relating to career service system; revises personnel rules of DMS; revises specified benefits of law enforcement officers & firefighters, respectively; revises powers & duties of Board of Governors; revises provisions relating to advertising & awarding contracts.

**Effective Date:** 7/1/2025

**Last Action:** 2/26/2025 House - Filed

#### SB 7002: Water Management Districts

GENERAL BILL by Environment and Natural Resources

Water Management Districts; Requiring the Commission on Ethics to investigate a lobbyist or principal who has made a prohibited expenditure and to provide the Governor with a report of its findings and recommendations regarding such investigation; requiring the South Florida Water Management District, in cooperation with the Department of Environmental Protection, to provide a detailed report that includes the total estimated remaining cost of implementation of the Everglades restoration comprehensive plan and the status of all performance indicators; authorizing the districts to levy ad valorem taxes on property by resolution adopted by a majority vote of the governing board, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$1,554,756,118

**Effective Date:** 7/1/2025

**Last Action:** 2/20/2025 Senate - Referred to Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; Appropriations

## [HB 1169: Water Management Districts](#)

GENERAL BILL by Conerly

Water Management Districts; Provides requirements for Commission on Ethics relating to prohibited expenditures by water management districts; requires quorum & affirmative vote of majority of members of governing board before any action may be taken by board; requires South Florida Water Management District to provide specified detailed report; prohibits water management district from using state funds for specified purpose; authorizes districts to levy ad valorem taxes on certain property; provides requirements for maximum total millage rate; provides requirements for South Florida Water Management District's & other water management district's budgets; requires water management district give preference to certain bids, proposals, or replies for certain capital improvement projects; provides requirements for construction bonds & competitive selection process; requires certain projects for Statewide Flooding & Sea Level Rise Resilience Plan be ranked on separate list; provides requirements for certain projects; restricts funding available to water management districts; authorizes department to issue certain loans; provides for repayment of such loan; provides penalty; requires department to create & maintain separate account in Resilient Florida Trust Fund for certain funds; provides requirements for revolving loan program. APPROPRIATION: \$1,554,756,118

**Effective Date:** 7/1/2025

**Last Action:** 2/26/2025 House - Filed

## [SB 742: Workforce Development](#)

GENERAL BILL by [Simon](#)

Workforce Development; Providing that the Workforce Development Capitalization Incentive Grant Program includes charter schools; revising the number of workforce education programs that each school district and Florida College System institution must offer a money-back guarantee on, etc.

**Effective Date:** 7/1/2025

**Last Action:** 2/25/2025 Senate - Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Appropriations Committee on Higher Education; Fiscal Policy

## [HB 1145: Workforce Education](#)

GENERAL BILL by Shoaf

Workforce Education; Provides that charter schools are eligible for Workforce Development Capitalization Incentive Grant Program; & revises number of programs school districts & Florida College System institutions must offer money-back guarantees for through money-back guarantee program.

**Effective Date:** 7/1/2025

**Last Action:** 2/26/2025 House - Filed