

FACA
Legislative Bill Tracking – 2017
as of 12/15/16

House

HB 37 – “Law Enforcement Certification” (Jones) – filed 11/23/16

Would require law enforcement and correctional officers to pass job-related psychological evaluation performed by a mental health professional before initial employment or appointment and every 4 years thereafter as a condition of continued employment or appointment; would also require all criminal justice training schools to receive specified national accreditation by certain date. Proposed effective date: 7/1/17

HB 41 – “Legislative Appointment and Congressional Redistricting” (Jenne) – filed 11/23/16

This bill would create an independent commission on legislative appointment and congressional redistricting; provides for purpose, duties, membership and funding of commission; would require commission to conduct public hearings; would subject commission to government-in-the-sunshine and financial disclosure requirements; prohibits persons not serving on or employed by commission from influencing or attempting to influence commission members and employees other than through prescribed process; provides for criminal penalties. Proposed effective date: 7/1/17

HB 43 – “Special Review Commission” (Watson (B)) – filed 11/23/16

This bill would create a Special Review Commission; provides for commission membership; specifies membership requirements; requires law enforcement agencies to report lethal use-of-force incidents to commission; requires prosecutors to notify commission of inquiries into use-of-force fatalities and determinations not to pursue charges; authorizes commission to review lethal use-of-force incidents; authorizes commission to refer incidents to AG for prosecution consideration; authorizes commission to subpoena documents & witnesses; authorizes AG to bring criminal charges; prohibits actions that could constitute double jeopardy. Proposed effective Date: 7/1/17

HB 49 – “Ad Valorem Taxation” (Eagle) – filed 11/23/16

This bill would require property appraisers to reduce the assessed value on residential property damaged or destroyed by natural disaster under certain conditions; requiring the property appraiser to submit written statement to the tax collector & specifying the contents thereof; provides duties of tax collector relating to reduction in taxes; requires annual notification to DOR & board of county commissioners of reduction in taxes; provides retroactive applicability; provides effective date. Proposed effective date: upon becoming a law

HB 68 – “Tourist Development Tax” (Grimsley) – filed 11/22/16

Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Community Affairs; Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax; Appropriations

Authorizing counties imposing the tourist development tax to use those tax revenues for auditoriums that are publicly owned but operated by specified organizations under certain circumstances, etc. Proposed effective date: 7/1/2017

HB 77 – “Sports Franchise Facilities” (Avila) – filed 12/6/16

Identical to SB 122

Bill would prohibit professional or semi-professional sports franchise from constructing, reconstructing, renovating, or improving facility on leased public land; requires that sale of public land for sports franchise facility be at fair market value. Proposed effective date: July 1, 2017

HB 93 – “Disposable Plastic Bags” (Richardson) – filed 12/13/16

Similar to SB 162

Bill would authorize certain municipalities to establish pilot programs to regulate or ban disposable plastic bags; provides program criteria; provides for program expiration; directs participating municipalities to collect data & submit reports to municipal governing bodies & DEP; defines term "coastal community." Proposed effective date: July 1, 2017

HB 6001 – “Concealed Weapons and Firearms” (Raburn, Fischer) – filed 11/23/16

Similar to SB 140

Amendment would revise areas of an airport where person is prohibited from openly carrying handgun or from carrying concealed weapon or firearm. Proposed effective date: July 1, 2017

HB 6003 – “Vacation Rentals” (Richardson) – filed 12/2/16

Bill authorizes local laws, ordinances, & regulations to prohibit vacation rentals or regulate duration & frequency of rental of vacation rentals. Proposed effective date: July 1, 2017

HB 6005 – “Licenses to Carry Concealed Weapons or Firearms” (Plakon) – filed 12/7/16

Similar to SB 140

Bill amends §790.06 removing provision prohibiting concealed carry licensees from openly carrying handgun or carrying concealed weapon or firearm into college or university facility. Proposed effective date: July 1, 2017

HB 6007 – “Traffic Infraction Detectors” (Avila) – filed 12/16/16

Similar to SB 178

Bill would repeal provisions relating to installation & use of traffic infraction detectors to enforce specified provisions when driver fails to stop at traffic signal, provisions that authorize DHSMV, county, or municipality to use such detectors, & provisions for distribution of penalties collected for specified violations. Proposed effective date: July 1, 2020

Senate

SB 80 – “Public Records” (Steube) – filed 11/30/16

Bill amends §119.12, F.S. requiring a complainant to timely provide certain written notice in order to be entitled to attorney fees in certain civil actions for enforcement of Chapter 119, F.S., etc. Proposed effective date: 7/1/2017

SB 86 – “Agricultural Land Classification and Assessment” (Steube) – filed 12/1/16

Bill would provide an exception from a certain requirement for lands to be classified as agricultural for taxation purposes; requiring that land jointly used for commercial nonagricultural purposes and bona fide agricultural purposes directly related to apiculture be classified as agricultural, etc. Proposed effective Date: 7/1/2017

SB 90 – “Renewable Energy Source Devices” (Brandes) – filed 12/1/16

The proposed Bill is the implementation bill to Amendment 4 revising the definition of the term “renewable energy source device”; prohibiting the consideration of just value of property attributable to a renewable energy source device in determining the assessed value of any real property; exempting a renewable energy source device from the tangible personal property tax, etc. Proposed effective date: 1/1/2018

SB 112 – “Flood Hazard Mitigation” (Brandes) – filed 12/5/16

Bill would authorize the Division of Emergency Management of the Executive Office of the Governor to administer a matching grant program for local governments to implement flood hazard risk reduction policies and projects; revising the powers of the Florida Communities Trust to authorize the undertaking, coordination, and funding of flood mitigation projects; authorizing the trust to acquire and dispose of real and personal property to reduce flood hazards, etc. Proposed effective date: 7/1/2017

APPROPRIATION: Indeterminate

SB 122 – “Sports Franchise Facilities” (Steube) – filed 12/7/16

Identical to HB 77

Bill would prohibit a sports franchise from constructing, reconstructing, renovating, or improving a facility on leased public land, etc. Proposed effective date: 7/1/201

SB 138 – “Selection and Duties of County Officers/Supervisor of Elections ” (Artiles) – filed 12/9/16

Compare to HB 87, SB 130, SB 132, SB 134, SB 136

Joint Resolution proposing amendments to the State Constitution to remove authority for a county charter to provide for choosing certain county officers in a manner other than election, prohibit a special law to provide for choosing a supervisor of elections in a manner other than election, authorize the abolition of any county office if its duties are transferred to another office by special law approved by county voters, and remove authority for a county charter to transfer certain duties of the clerk of the circuit court to another officer, etc.

SB 140 – “Openly Carrying a Hand Gun” (Stuebe) – filed 12/9/16
Similar to HB 6001

Bill would authorize a compliant licensee to openly carry a handgun, etc. Proposed effective date: 7/1/2017

SB 158 – “Firefighters” (Latvala) – filed 12/14/16

Bill establishes a presumption as to a firefighter’s condition or impairment of health caused by certain types of cancer he or she contracts in the line of duty, etc. Proposed effective date: 7/1/2017

SB 160 – “Minimum Wage” (Rodriguez) – filed 12/14/16

Bill proposes revising the formula for the adjusted state minimum wage, etc. Proposed effective date: 7/1/2017

SB 162 – “Disposable Plastic Bags” (Rodriguez) – filed 12/14/16
Similar to HB 93

Bill would authorize certain municipalities to establish pilot programs to regulate or ban disposable plastic bags, etc. Proposed effective date: Upon becoming a law

SB 176 – “Sales and Use Tax Exemption for Feminine Hygiene Products” (Passidomo, Hutson, Stewart) – filed 12/15/16
Similar to HB 63

Bill would exempt the sale of feminine hygiene products from the sales and use tax, etc.. Proposed effective date: 1/1/2018

SB 178 – “Traffic Infraction Detectors” (Artiles, Brandes) – filed 12/15/16
Similar to HB 6007

Bill would repeal provisions relating to the definitions of “local hearing officer” and “traffic infraction detector” and to the installation and use of traffic infraction detectors to enforce specified provisions when a driver fails to stop at a traffic signal, provisions that authorize the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, a county, or a municipality to use such detectors, and the distribution of penalties collected for specified violations, etc. Proposed effective date: 1/1/2020

SB 180 – “Traffic Infraction Detectors” (Rodriguez) – filed 12/16/16

Bill would decrease the penalty to be assessed and collected by the department, county, or municipality if a traffic infraction detector is used to enforce specified violations when a driver failed to stop at a traffic signal; prohibiting the suspension of a person’s driver license and privilege to drive or the withholding of the license plate or revalidation sticker for failure to pay certain penalties under certain circumstances, etc. Proposed effective date: 10/1/2017

SB 188 – “Vacation Rentals” (Steube) – filed 12/16/16

Bill would prohibit local laws, ordinances, and regulations adopted after a certain date may not restrict the use of, prohibit, or regulate vacation rentals based solely on their classification, use, or occupancy, etc. Proposed effective date: Upon becoming law