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Legislative Wrap-Up Report

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SUBSTANTIVE BILLS

The following is an overview of substantive bills of interest to the Agency for Persons with Disabilities passed by the Florida Legislature during the 2014 Regular Legislative Session.

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**[HB 0097](#) – Access to Health Care for the Underserved
[Ch. 2014-108](#) Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Extending the period of time for which a health care provider remains an agent of the state after an individual under his or her care is deemed ineligible;
- Requiring that a contract with a governmental contractor for health care services include a provision allowing a voluntary contribution toward certain dental laboratory work;
- Delaying the future repeal of provisions authorizing the health access dental license, etc.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**[HB 0225](#) – Child Safety Devices in Motor Vehicles
[Ch. 2014-226](#) Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 24, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Revises child restraint requirements for children who are younger than specified age.

Effective Date: January 1, 2015

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**[SB 0242](#) – Security of a Protected Consumer's Information
[Ch. 2014-66](#) Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Citing this act as the “Keeping I.D. Safe (KIDS) Act”;
- Authorizing the representative of a protected consumer to place a security freeze on a protected consumer’s consumer report or record; prohibiting a consumer reporting agency from stating or implying that a security freeze reflects a negative credit history or rating;



- Requiring a consumer reporting agency to provide a copy of a consumer report or record to a protected consumer or his or her representative upon request;
- Requiring a consumer reporting agency to remove a security freeze under specified conditions, etc.

Effective Date: September 1, 2014

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**SB 0260 – Unaccompanied Homeless Youths
Ch. 2014-173 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 20, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Defining the term “unaccompanied homeless youth”; providing for a certification;
- Authorizing certain unaccompanied homeless youths to consent to medical, dental, psychological, substance abuse, and surgical diagnosis and treatment, and forensic medical examinations for themselves and for their children in certain circumstances;
- Providing that such consent does not affect the requirements of the Parental Notice of Abortion Act, etc.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**HB 0287 – Certificates of Need
Ch. 2014-110 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Decreases subdistrict average nursing home bed occupancy rate goal that the Agency for Health Care Administration is required to maintain as goal of its nursing-home-bed-need methodology;
- Provides that replacement of a nursing home or relocation of beds is health-care-related project subject to expedited review;
- Prohibits agency from approving application for new community nursing home beds under certain circumstances;
- Repeals provisions relating to moratorium on approval of certificates of need for additional community nursing home beds.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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HB 0409 – Offenses Against Vulnerable Persons
Ch. 2014-200 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 20, 2014

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Revising when an out of court statement by an elderly person or disabled adult is admissible in certain proceedings;
- Expanding applicability of prohibition on the fraudulent use of personal identification information of specified victims without consent to include persons 60 years of age or older;
- Deleting a requirement that property of an elderly person or disabled adult be obtained by deception or intimidation in order to constitute exploitation of such a person;
- Creating the Identity Theft and Fraud Grant Program, etc.

Effective Date: October 1, 2014

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HB 0515 – Public Assistance Fraud
Ch. 2014-119 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Provides enhanced criminal penalties if value of public assistance or identification wrongfully received, retained, misappropriated, sought, or used is of an aggregate value exceeding specified amounts;
- Provides for reward for report of original information relating to violation of state's public assistance fraud laws if information and report meet specified requirements;
- Limits to specified period the use of temporary cash assistance benefits out of state;
- Requires that parent or caretaker relative who has been disqualified due to fraud have protective payee designated to receive temporary cash assistance benefits for eligible children;
- Provides requirements for protective payees; provides appropriations and authorizes positions.

Effective Date: October 1, 2014

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SB 0522 – Involuntary Civil Commitment of Sexually Violent Predators
Ch. 2014-2 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on April 1, 2014

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Authorizing and requiring a state attorney to refer certain persons for civil commitment under certain circumstances;



- Requiring the agency with jurisdiction over a person who has been convicted of a sexually violent offense to give written notice to the multidisciplinary team as soon as practicable after receipt into custody of such person in a county or municipal jail facility;
- Providing for certain released persons to be taken into custody by the Department of Children and Families;
- Requiring the Department of Corrections to collect recidivism information and include the information in their annual report, etc.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**[SB 0524](#) – Sexually Violent Predators
[Ch. 2014-3](#) Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on April 1, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Citing this act as the "Protecting Our Children and Adults from Sexual Predators Act";
- Requiring the Department of Children and Families to provide training to the members of the multidisciplinary team;
- Requiring the multidisciplinary team to provide the state attorney with a written assessment and recommendation as to whether a person meets the definition of a sexually violent predator within specified timeframes;
- Requiring Florida College System institutions, state universities, and career centers to inform students and employees of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement sexual predator and sexual offender registry website and toll-free telephone number, etc.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**[SB 0526](#) – Sexual Offenses
[Ch. 2014-4](#) Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on April 1, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Authorizing orders limiting testimony in open court and in depositions if the victim or witness was a child under 16 years of age when a specified sexual offense occurred;
- Imposing a 50-year minimum mandatory sentence for dangerous sexual felony offenders;
- Providing that voyeurism includes secretly observing another person's intimate areas in which the person has a reasonable expectation of privacy, when the other person is located in a public or private dwelling, structure, or conveyance;



- Authorizing the court to require a sexual offender or sexual predator who is on probation or community control to undergo an evaluation to determine whether the offender or predator needs sexual offender treatment, etc.

Effective Date: October 1, 2014

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**[SB 0528](#) – Sex Offenses
[Ch. 2014-5](#) Laws of Florida
 Approved by the Governor on April 1, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Requiring the Florida Department of Law Enforcement to inform the clerk of the court if a person petitioning for a name change has registered as a sexual predator or sexual offender;
- Providing that voluntary disclosure of specified information waives a disclosure exemption for such information;
- Adding additional offenses to the list of sexual predator qualifying offenses;
- Requiring disclosure of additional information during the sexual predator registration process;
- Providing criminal penalties for knowingly providing false registration information by act or omission, etc.

Effective Date: October 1, 2014

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**[HB 0561](#) – Attorneys For Dependent Children with Special Needs
[Ch. 2014-227](#) Laws of Florida
 Approved by the Governor on June 25, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Requires appointment of attorney to represent dependent child who meets one or more specified criteria;
- Requires that, if one is available, attorney who is willing to represent child without additional compensation be appointed;
- Requires appointment in writing; requires that appointment continue in effect until attorney is allowed to withdraw or is discharged by court or until case is dismissed;
- Requires that attorney not acting in pro bono capacity be adequately compensated for services and have access to funding for certain costs;
- Provides for financial oversight by the Justice Administrative Commission; provides limit on attorney fees;
- Requires the Department of Children and Families to develop procedures to identify dependent children who qualify for an attorney.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**HB 0591 – Newborn Health Screening
Ch. 2014-121 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Authorizes the State Public Health Laboratory to release results of newborn's hearing and metabolic tests or screenings to newborn's health care practitioner;
- Requires audiologist to provide parent or guardian with contact information of certain service providers;
- Requires audiologist or designee to electronically transmit consent form.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**HB 0635 – Guardianship
Ch. 2014-124 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Revises provisions relating to requirements for and court authority concerning requirements for specified guardians to submit to credit history investigation and background screening;
- Authorizes nonprofessional guardian to petition court for reimbursement for costs of investigation and screening;
- Authorizes clerk of court to obtain and review records impacting guardianship assets and to issue subpoenas to nonparties upon application to court;
- Provides requirements for affidavits, notice, and subpoenas;
- Provides for objection to subpoena; authorizes court to require production of records and documents by guardian who fails to submit them during audit;
- Provides for removal of guardian for bad faith failure to submit records during audit;
- Provides that person seeking appointment as guardian may not lawfully deny or fail to acknowledge arrests covered by expunged or sealed record.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**SB 0670 – Nursing Home Litigation
Ch. 2014-83 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Specifying that a cause of action for negligence or violation of residents' rights alleging direct or vicarious liability for the injury or death of nursing home resident may be brought against a licensee, its management or consulting company, its managing employees, and any direct caregiver employees;



- Providing that a claim for punitive damages may not be brought unless there is a showing of evidence that provides a reasonable basis for recovery of such damages when certain criteria are applied;
- Authorizing the Agency for Health Care Administration to suspend the license of a nursing home facility that fails to pay a judgment or settlement agreement;
- Revising procedures for obtaining the records of a resident, etc.

Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

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**SB 0674 – Background Screening
Ch. 2014-84 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Authorizing the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to share reproductions of driver license images with the Department of Health and the Agency for Health Care Administration for specified purposes;
- Exempting a person whose fingerprints are already enrolled in a specified Federal Bureau of Investigation program from the requirement that such fingerprints be forwarded to the bureau;
- Requiring certain persons to submit their fingerprints electronically;
- Requiring the fingerprints of an employee required to be screened by a specified agency and included in the clearinghouse also to be retained in the national retained print arrest notification program at a specified time, etc.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**HB 0709 – Alzheimer's Disease
Ch. 2014-163 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 18, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Requires the Department of Emergency Management to develop and maintain special needs shelter registration program by a specified date;
- Establishes Ed and Ethel Moore Alzheimer's Disease Research Program within the Department of Health;
- Requires program to provide grants and fellowships for research relating to Alzheimer's disease;
- Creates Alzheimer's Disease Research Grant Advisory Board;
- Requires report to Governor, Legislature, and State Surgeon General;
- Requires the Department of Elder Affairs to provide incentive based funding, subject to appropriation, for certain memory disorder clinics.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**HB 0711 – Public Meetings and Public Records/Alzheimer's Disease Research Grant
Advisory Board
Ch. 2014-164 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 18, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Provides exemption from public records requirements for research grant applications provided to Alzheimer's Disease Research Grant Advisory Board under Ed and Ethel Moore Alzheimer's Disease Research Program and records generated by board relating to review of applications;
- Provides exemption from public meetings requirements for those portions of meetings of board during which research grant applications are discussed;
- Requires recording of closed portions of meetings; provides for legislative review and repeal of exemptions; provides statement of public necessity; provides for contingent effect.

Effective Date: On the same date that HB 709 or similar legislation takes effect

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**SB 0762 – Family Care Councils
Ch. 2014-87 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Revising the membership of the family care council within each service area of the Agency for Persons with Disabilities;
- Requiring consent of a grandchild's parent or legal guardian for appointment of a grandparent to a family care council;
- Requiring the parent or legal guardian to provide notice of consent to the agency, etc.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**SB 0850 – Education
Ch. 2014-184 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 20, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Requiring a school that includes middle grades to include information, data, and instructional strategies in its school improvement plan;
- Requiring a district school board, in consultation with the district school superintendent, to make CAPE Digital Tool certificates and CAPE industry certifications available to students, including students with disabilities, in prekindergarten through grade, to enable students to attain digital skills;



- Requiring a school district policy that prohibits hazing and establishes consequences for an act of hazing, etc.

Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law

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**[HB 0989](#) – Human Trafficking
[Ch. 2014-160](#) Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 17, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Clarifying the offense of human trafficking; prohibiting the employment of minors in adult theaters;
- Eliminating the statute of limitations for prosecutions under a specified human trafficking provision;
- Repealing provisions relating to procuring a person under the age of 18 for prostitution, selling or buying of minors into prostitution, and reclassification of certain violations involving minors, respectively; providing for expunction of criminal history records of certain criminal charges against victims of human trafficking that did not result in convictions, etc.

Effective Date: October 1, 2014

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**[SB 1030](#) – Cannabis
[Ch. 2014-157](#) Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 16, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Citing this act as the “Compassionate Medical Cannabis Act of 2014”;
- Authorizing specified physicians to order low-THC cannabis for use by specified patients;
- Requiring the Department of Health to create a compassionate use registry;
- Authorizing certain medical centers to conduct research on cannabidiol and low-THC cannabis;
- Requiring the department to establish an Office of Compassionate Use, etc.
- APPROPRIATION: \$1,000,000.00.

Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

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**[HB 1047](#) – Termination of Pregnancies
[Ch. 2014-137](#) Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Revises circumstances under which pregnancy in third trimester may be terminated;
- Authorizes administrative discipline for violation of certain provisions by certain licensed professionals;
- Requires physician to perform certain examinations to determine viability of fetus;
- Prohibits abortion of viable fetus outside of hospital.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**[SB 1666](#) – Child Welfare
[Ch. 2014-224](#) Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 23, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Requiring the Secretary the Department of Children and Families to appoint an Assistant Secretary for Child Welfare;
- Providing qualifications and responsibilities;
- Requiring alleged incidents of juvenile sexual abuse involving specified children to be Reported to the department’s central abuse hotline;
- Requiring the department to conduct specified investigations using critical incident rapid response teams;
- Requiring the use of safety plans in child protection investigations in cases of present or impending danger, etc.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**[HB 7055](#) – Juvenile Justice
[Ch. 2014-162](#) Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 17, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Revises numerous provisions relating to juvenile justice;
- Clarifies jurisdictional age restrictions;
- Provides for placement of child in secure detention for contempt of court;
- Revises intake process;
- Requires child to be held in secure detention under certain circumstances;
- Clarifies procedures for releasing child before detention hearing;



- Clarifies when court may order continued detention; revises procedures for transferring child to another detention status;
- Provides new notification requirements when child leaves secure detention;
- Requires the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) to notify specified parties when child absconds;
- Provides for alternative consequence to address noncompliance with technical probation conditions;
- Expands transition-to-adulthood services to all children; provides for Comprehensive Accountability Report;
- Limits amount DJJ may pay for health care services; provides for criminal penalties for specified employees who inflict neglect upon juvenile offenders;
- Conforms provisions.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**[HB 7141](#) – Human Trafficking
[Ch. 2014-161](#) Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 17, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Requires the Department of Children and Families (DCF) to employ screening and assessment instruments to determine appropriate services provided to sexually exploited children;
- Provides criteria for placement in safe houses and safe foster homes;
- Directs DCF, the Department of Juvenile Justice, and lead agencies to participate in coordination of local responses to human trafficking;
- Authorizes department to certify safe houses and safe foster homes and provides requirements for certification;
- Authorizes placement of child in settings other than safe houses and safe foster homes under certain conditions;
- Creates Statewide Council on Human Trafficking; provides for transfer of general revenue funds and establishes positions.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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APPROPRIATIONS UPDATE

The following is an overview of the budget for the Agency for Persons with Disabilities passed by the Florida Legislature during the 2014 Regular Legislative Session.

**HB 5001 – General Appropriations Act
Ch. 2014-51 Laws of Florida**

Approved by the Governor on June 2, 2014, with Line Item Vetoes

Major funding decisions:

The funding for the Agency for Persons with Disabilities totals over \$1.15 billion.

- Transition customers from the Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Medicaid waiver waiting list to the HCBS Medicaid waiver – Increase of \$8.1 million in General Revenue, \$11.9 million in Trust Funds, \$20 million total funds.
- Increase Adult Day Training rates in the HCBS waiver – Increase of \$522,344 in General Revenue, \$769,308 in Trust Funds, \$1.29 million total funds.
- Any unexpended balance in the HCBS Medicaid waiver category for FY 2013-14 will revert and be appropriated in FY 2014-15 in a Lump Sum category to be used for increases in cost plans resulting from the application of the U.S. Department of Labor Fair Labor Standards to Domestic Service rule effective January 2015 or for increases in such cost plans resulting from lawsuits against the agency.
- Employment and Internships Program (IFS category) – Continuation of \$500,000 for Employment in nonrecurring General Revenue.
- \$400,000 for Actuarial Services to analyze rates for live-in waiver services.
- Additional \$4.57 million to support workload increase for fair hearings for HCBS Medicaid waiver clients.
- There are 7 special member projects included in the agency’s appropriation:
 - \$650,000 in nonrecurring funds is provided for Quest Kids.
 - \$78,300 in nonrecurring funds is provided to the Arc of Jacksonville Village for provides services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.
 - \$100,000 in nonrecurring funds is provided for Easter Seals of Volusia County to provide autism assessment and diagnostic services.
 - \$2 million in nonrecurring funds is provided to the Arc of Florida for additional dental services.



- \$175,000 in nonrecurring funds is provided for the MACtown Fitness and Wellness Center for services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.
- \$667,000 in recurring funds is provided for Nemours Children’s Hospital for early diagnosis and treatment of autism.
- \$2 million in recurring funds is provided to the Gateway Arc in Pensacola for residential support for job placement for persons with disabilities.
- Increase the Personal Needs Allowance for residents of Sunland Center, Tacachale Center, and the Developmental Disabilities Defendant Program from \$35 to \$105 per month - \$218,085 of recurring General Revenue and \$321,195 in recurring Trust Funds, \$539,280 total funds.
- \$2.67 million in Fixed Capital Outlay is provided for critical repairs and maintenance to state facilities.
- \$1 million in Fixed Capital Outlay is provided to William J. (Billy Joe) Rish Recreational Park for renovations and restorations.
- An administrative reduction of 43.50 FTE and \$914,163 in Trust Fund budget authority for the Regions and State Office.

Additionally, note Back of Bill item: Client Data Management and Electronic Visit Verification project – \$750,000 in nonrecurring General Revenue, \$750,000 in nonrecurring Trust Fund, \$1.5 million nonrecurring total funding – reverted from FY 2013-14 and appropriated for FY 2014-15.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014, or upon becoming law, whichever occurs later

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**HB 5003 – Implementing the General Appropriations Act
Ch. 2014-53 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 2, 2014**

Major funding decisions:

- Implements specific appropriations of the General Appropriations Act for the 2014-2015 fiscal year.
- Section 9. (1) In order to implement Specific Appropriation 268 of the 2014-2015 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding s. 393.065(5), Florida Statutes, individuals on the Medicaid home and community-based waiver programs wait list shall be offered a slot in the waiver as follows:
 - (a) Individuals in category 1, which includes clients deemed to be in crisis as described in rule, shall be given first priority in moving from the wait list to the waiver.



(b) Individuals in category 2 at the time of finalization of an adoption with placement in a family home, reunification with family members with placement in a family home, or permanent placement with a relative in a family home, shall be moved to the waiver.

(c) In selecting individuals in category 3 or category 4, the Agency for Persons with Disabilities shall use the Agency for Persons with Disabilities Wait List Prioritization Tool, dated March 15, 2013. Those individuals whose needs score highest on the Wait List Prioritization Tool shall be moved to the waiver during the 2014-2015 fiscal year, to the extent funds are available.

(2) The agency shall allow an individual who meets the eligibility requirements of s. 393.065(1), Florida Statutes, to receive home and community-based services in this state if the individual's parent or legal guardian is an active-duty military servicemember and, at the time of the servicemember's transfer to Florida, the individual was receiving home and community based services in another state.

(3) Upon the placement of individuals on the waiver 251 pursuant to subsection (1), individuals remaining on the wait list are deemed not to have been substantially affected by agency action and are, therefore, not entitled to a hearing under s. 393.125, Florida Statutes, or administrative proceeding under chapter 120, Florida Statutes. This section expires July 1, 2015.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014, except as otherwise provided.

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FY 2013-2014				FY 2014-2015		
Budget Entity	Budget Entity Title	Appropriation Category Title	FTE	ALL FUNDS	FTE	ALL FUNDS
67100100	HOME AND COMMUNITY SERVICES					
		SALARIES AND BENEFITS	280.50	12,786,322	395.00	19,877,479
		OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES		3,942,276		4,323,955
		EXPENSES		2,214,329		2,947,151
		OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY		35,394		35,394
		G/A-INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY		15,186,771		15,186,771
		ROOM AND BOARD PAYMENTS		2,839,201		2,839,201
		CONTRACTED SERVICES		139,231		4,822,181
		G/A-CONTRACTED SERVICES		2,988,276		5,670,300
		HOME/COMM SERVICES WAIVER		915,250,356		938,623,341
		RISK MANAGEMENT INSURANCE		188,676		172,620
		TR/DMS/HR SVCS/STW CONTRCT		98,702		144,773
67100100 Total			280.50	955,669,534	395.00	994,643,166
67100200	PROGRAM MGT AND COMPLIANCE					
		SALARIES AND BENEFITS	322.00	19,844,145	165.00	13,936,221
		OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES		674,855		762,081
		EXPENSES		3,147,238		2,367,117
		OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY		27,774		27,774
		TRANS TO DIV ADM HEARINGS		154,473		111,453
		CONTRACTED SERVICES		381,575		497,251
		G/A-CONTRACTED SERVICES		2,013,289		2,790,078
		G/A-CONTRACT PROF SERVICES		3,874		3,874
		RISK MANAGEMENT INSURANCE		270,104		205,995
		HOME AND COMM SERV ADMIN		6,617,252		7,172,076
		TR/DMS/HR SVCS/STW CONTRCT		125,667		70,875
		CLIENT DATA MANAGEMENT SYS		1,500,000		1,500,000
		DCF DATA CENTER		302,438		
		SOUTHWOOD SRC		132,305		141,856
		NORTHWOOD SRC (NSRC)		123,593		136,774
67100200 Total			322.00	35,318,582	165.00	29,723,425
67100300	DEV DISAB PUBLIC FACIL					
		SALARIES AND BENEFITS	2,305.50	93,758,586	2,305.50	100,887,172
		OTHER PERSONAL SERVICES		1,833,206		1,929,050
		EXPENSES		6,282,828		6,822,108
		OPERATING CAPITAL OUTLAY		261,020		261,020
		FOOD PRODUCTS		2,363,848		2,363,848
		APD/FCO NEEDS/CEN MGD FACS		1,400,000		3,664,300
		CONTRACTED SERVICES		1,951,178		1,951,178
		G/A-CONTRACT PROF SERVICES		5,016,410		5,016,410
		PRESCRIBED MEDICINE/DRUGS		1,145,923		1,145,923
		RISK MANAGEMENT INSURANCE		5,849,449		5,709,106
		SALARY INCENTIVE PAYMENTS		18,751		18,751
		TR/DMS/HR SVCS/STW CONTRCT		895,454		859,725
		ARC VILLAGE		2,000,000		
67100300 Total			2,305.50	122,776,653	2,305.50	130,628,591
Grand Total			2,908.00	1,113,764,769	2,865.50	1,154,995,182



ADMINISTRATIVE BILLS

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**HB 0009 – Legislature
Ch. 2014-106 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Fixing the date for convening the regular session of the Legislature in the year 2016, etc.

Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

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**SB 0256 – Public Records/Forensic Behavioral Health Evaluation
Ch. 2014-67 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Creating an exemption from public records requirements for a forensic behavioral health evaluation filed with a court;
- Providing retroactive application; providing a statement of public necessity, etc.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**SB 0390 – Public Records/Identifying Information of Personnel of Department of Health
Ch. 2014-72 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Providing an exemption from public records requirements for certain identifying information of specific current and former personnel of the Department of Health and the spouses and children of such personnel, under specified circumstances;
- Providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption under the Open Government Sunset Review Act;
- Providing a statement of public necessity, etc.

Effective Date: Upon becoming law

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**HB 0953 – State Contracting
Ch. 2014-135 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Revises criteria for evaluating proposal to include consideration of prior relevant experience of vendor;
- Revising criteria for evaluating response to agency's invitation to negotiate to include consideration of prior relevant experience of vendor.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**HB 0955 – Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
Ch. 2014-136 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Revises provisions relating to hunting and fishing licenses, permits, and authorizations, boating safety courses, and use of moneys collected from vessel registration fees;
- Repeals provisions relating to cooperative agreements with U.S. Forest Service, certain spiny lobster licenses, gear license fees, and certain haul seine and trawl permits.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**SB 1194 – Citizen Support and Direct-support Organizations
Ch. 2014-96 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Providing for future review and repeal of provisions authorizing governmental entities to establish and operate direct-support organizations;
- Requiring citizen support and direct-support organizations to annually submit certain information to the appropriate agency;
- Requiring each agency receiving such information to post submissions on the agency's website;
- Requiring that each citizen support organization or direct-support organization created or authorized by law be subject to legislative review and repeal, etc.

Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

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**HB 1385 – Inspectors General
Ch. 2014-144 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Revises provisions relating to duties, appointment, and removal of Chief Inspector General and agency inspectors general.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**SB 1678 – OGSR/Agency Personnel Information
Ch. 2014-105 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 13, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Amending provisions which provide an exemption from public records requirements for social security numbers of current and former agency employees held by an employing agency;
- Saving the exemption from repeal under the Open Government Sunset Review Act;
- Authorizing an employing agency to disclose the social security number of a current or former agency employee under certain circumstances, etc.

Effective Date: October 1, 2014

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**HB 5005 – State-Administered Retirement Systems
Ch. 2014-54 Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 2, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Increasing the employer contribution to the retiree health insurance subsidy for members of a state-administered plan, Elected Officers' Class, Senior Management Service Class, and Regular, Special Risk, and Special Risk Administrative Support Classes;
- Revising the amount of employer contributions for the next fiscal year;
- Revising terminology to refer to an employer assessment to offset the costs of administering the investment plan and providing education services;
- Providing findings of important state interests, etc.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**[HB 5007](#) – State Employees
[Ch. 2014-55](#) Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 2, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Providing for the resolution of certain collective bargaining issues at impasse between the State of Florida and certified bargaining units of state employees;
- Providing for all other mandatory collective bargaining issues at impasse that are not addressed by the act or the General Appropriations Act to be resolved consistent with personnel rules or by otherwise maintaining the status quo, etc.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**[HB 5201](#) - Medicaid
[Ch. 2014-57](#) Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 2, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Providing a reconciliation process for the Statewide Medicaid Residency Program;
- Updating references to data used for calculating disproportionate share program payments to certain hospitals for the 2014-2015 fiscal year;
- Providing for continuance of Medicaid disproportionate share distributions for certain nonstate government owned or operated hospitals;
- Providing reimbursement parameters for prescribed pediatric extended care service providers in the Medicaid statewide managed care program;
- Deleting a requirement relating to medically needy recipients, etc.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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**[HB 7073](#) – Information Technology Governance
[Ch. 2014-221](#) Laws of Florida
Approved by the Governor on June 20, 2014**

The bill amends statutory language by:

- Creates Agency for State Technology (AST); provides for appointment of executive director of AST, who shall serve as chief information officer;
- Transfers certain assets and authority of Agency for Enterprise Information Technology, Northwood Shared Resource Center, and Southwood Shared Resource Center to AST;
- Establishes single state data center; revises schedules for consolidation of state agency data centers and computing facilities into state data center;



- Provides additional duties of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Cybercrime Office; repeals provisions for statewide e-mail service; provides appropriations.

Effective Date: July 1, 2014

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<http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Welcome/index.cfm>

Florida Department of State, Laws of Florida:
<http://laws.flrules.org/node>

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