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Ordered by Bill Number

HB 0039 **Tax Exemption for Disabled Ex-servicemembers** by Daley

Tax Exemption for Disabled Ex-servicemembers: Increases value of tax exemption for certain disabled ex-servicemembers. Effective Date: July 1, 2025

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/28/2025 HOUSE Withdrawn prior to introduction

SB 0064 **Electronic Monitoring Devices in Long-term Care Facilities** by García

Electronic Monitoring Devices in Long-term Care Facilities; Authorizing a resident, or his or her representative, of a nursing home facility or assisted living facility, respectively, to authorize the installation and use of an electronic monitoring device in the resident's room if specified conditions are met; providing for installation and use of such device if the resident lives in a shared room with another resident with the consent of the other resident or his or her representative; prohibiting facilities from denying admission to a person or discharging a resident or otherwise discriminating or retaliating against a resident for the decision to install and use an electronic monitoring device in the resident's room, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2025

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Health Policy

Actions

01/15/2025 SENATE Referred to Health Policy; Judiciary; Rules

SB 0116 **Veterans** by Burgess

Veterans; Requiring the Department of Veterans' Affairs to conduct a study that includes a survey evaluating the extent to which specified persons are aware of certain existing programs or services; requiring the department to ensure coordination to the greatest extent possible with the United States Department of Defense for a specified purpose; revising the purpose of the Veteran Suicide Prevention Training Pilot Program to include specialized mental health training; requiring the Department of Veterans' Affairs to develop a plan to establish adult day health care facilities across this state to serve veterans and their families, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$350,000 Effective Date: 7/1/2025

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

03/19/2025 HOUSE In Messages

HB 0223 **Electronic Monitoring Devices in Long-term Care Facilities** by Plasencia

Electronic Monitoring Devices in Long-term Care Facilities: Defines "electronic monitoring device" & "representative"; authorizes resident, or his or her representative, of nursing home facility or assisted living facility, respectively, to install & use electronic monitoring device in resident's room if specified conditions are met; provides for consent of resident living in shared room with resident who intends to install device; authorizes other resident or his or her representative to impose conditions on consent; provides for withdrawal of consent & modification of conditions; requires AHCA to adopt forms by rule; prohibits facilities from denying admission or otherwise discriminating against resident for installing electronic monitoring device; provides administrative penalty; provides criminal penalty for unlawfully obstructing, tampering with, or destroying electronic monitoring device or recording made by such device; specifies who may view or listen to images & sounds broadcast or recorded by electronic monitoring device. Effective Date: July 1, 2025

Current Committee of Reference: House Judiciary Committee

Actions

02/27/2025 HOUSE Now in Judiciary Committee

HB 0277 Veterans' Benefits Assistance by Albert

Veterans' Benefits Assistance: Prohibits person from receiving compensation for referring individual to another person for advising, assisting, or consulting on veterans' benefits matters; authorizes compensation for services rendered during specified period only; requires that persons who advise, assist, or consult on veterans' benefits matters for compensation provide specified disclosures before entering into business relationship with client; prohibits providers who advise, assist, or consult on veterans' benefits matters from charging certain fees; prohibits charging of interest on payment plans; provides requirements in event of death of veteran claimant; provides security requirements for handling of veteran's personal & account information; requires provider to successfully complete specified background screening; provides that violation is deceptive & unfair trade practice which may be subject to specified penalties. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

04/16/2025 HOUSE Temporarily Postponed on Second Reading

SB 0290 Property Tax Exemption for Surviving Spouses of Veterans by Wright

Property Tax Exemption for Surviving Spouses of Veterans; Authorizing the surviving spouses of veterans who predecease the issuance of a certain letter from the Federal Government to produce the letter before the property appraiser, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2025

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Community Affairs

Actions

01/29/2025 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Finance and Tax; Appropriations

HB 0301 Suits Against the Government by McFarland

Suits Against the Government: Increases statutory limits on liability for tort claims against state & its agencies & subdivisions; authorizes subdivision to settle claim in excess of statutory limit without legislative action regardless of insurance coverage limits; prohibits insurance policy from conditioning benefits on enactment of claim bill; specifies that limitations in effect on date claim accrues apply to that claim; revises period within which certain claims must be presented; revises exceptions relating to instituting tort claims against state or agencies or subdivisions; revises period after which failure of certain entities to make final disposition of claim shall be deemed final denial of claim for certain purposes; revises statute of limitations for tort claims against state or one of its agencies or subdivisions & exceptions. Effective Date: October 1, 2025

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

04/16/2025 SENATE Received; Referred to Rules

HB 0313 Toll Exemptions for Purple Heart Medal Recipients by Fabricio

Toll Exemptions for Purple Heart Medal Recipients: Revises eligibility for toll exemptions to include operators displaying Purple Heart specialty license plate or Purple Heart special motorcycle license plate Effective Date: July 1, 2025

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

03/27/2025 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

SB 0348 Ethics by Gaetz

Ethics; Prohibiting candidates, elected public officers, appointed public officers, and public employees from knowingly misrepresenting their Armed Forces of the United States service records, awards, or

qualifications or wearing any uniform, medal, or insignia that they are not authorized to wear; requiring the Attorney General to attempt to determine whether an individual owing certain penalties is a current public officer or public employee, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2025

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

03/19/2025 HOUSE In Messages

HB 0399 Ethics by Maney

Ethics: Prohibits candidates, elected public officers, appointed public officers, & public employees from knowingly misrepresenting their Armed Forces of United States service records, awards, or qualifications or wearing any uniform, medal, or insignia that they are not authorized to wear; provides civil penalties; provides that certain penalties are delinquent if they aren't paid to Commission on Ethics within specified timeframe; requires Attorney General to attempt to determine whether individual owing certain penalties is current public officer or public employee; requires Attorney General to notify CFO or governing body of county, municipality, school district, or special district of total amount of any such penalty owed by current public officer or public employee; requires CFO or governing body to begin withholding portions of any salary-related payment that would otherwise be paid to officer or employee; requires that withheld payments be remitted to commission until penalty is satisfied; authorizes CFO or governing body to retain portion of each retained payment for administrative costs; authorizes Attorney General to refer certain unpaid fines to collection agency; authorizes collection agency to use any lawful collection method; authorizes Attorney General to collect unpaid fine within specified period after issuance of civil penalty or restitution penalty. Effective Date: July 1, 2025

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

04/08/2025 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

SB 0400 Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children by Wright

Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children; Repealing a provision relating to the future repeal of the compact, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

03/27/2025 HOUSE In Messages

SB 0402 Unlawful Use of Uniforms, Medals, or Insignia by Wright

Unlawful Use of Uniforms, Medals, or Insignia; Prohibiting persons from wearing the uniform of or any medal or insignia authorized for use by members or veterans of the Space Force, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2025

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

03/27/2025 HOUSE In Messages

SB 0532 Toll Payments by Ingoglia

Toll Payments; Exempting certain disabled veterans and persons operating motor vehicles and motorcycles displaying certain license plates from the required payment of tolls for the use of toll facilities, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2025

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Appropriations

Actions

04/14/2025 SENATE Now in Appropriations

SB 0574 Toll Exemptions for Purple Heart Medal Recipients by Collins

Toll Exemptions for Purple Heart Medal Recipients; Revising eligibility for toll exemptions to include operators displaying a Purple Heart special license plate or a Purple Heart special motorcycle license plate, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2025

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Fiscal Policy

Actions

04/11/2025 SENATE Now in Fiscal Policy

SB 0646 Victims of Agent Orange During the Vietnam War by Burgess

Victims of Agent Orange During the Vietnam War; Honoring and recognizing the victims of Agent Orange during the Vietnam War, etc.

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/11/2025 SENATE Filed

HB 0783 Sentencing of Military Veterans with Mental Health Conditions by Brackett

Sentencing of Military Veterans with Mental Health Conditions: Provides that court may impose modified sentence for military veteran with mental health condition rather than set term or mandatory minimum sentence otherwise required by law in certain circumstances; provides requirements; provides exception for certain offenses. Effective Date: July 1, 2025

Current Committee of Reference: House Criminal Justice Subcommittee

Actions

02/26/2025 HOUSE Now in Criminal Justice Subcommittee

SB 0788 Veterans' Nursing Homes by Truenow

Veterans' Nursing Homes; Defining the term "veteran- and spouse-designated nursing home beds"; authorizing the executive director of the Department of Veterans' Affairs to approve requests to create or modify veteran- and spouse-designated nursing home beds if certain conditions are met; authorizing the department to adopt rules, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2025

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

04/21/2025 SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/24/25

HB 0797 Veteran and Spouse Nursing Home Beds by LaMarca

Veteran and Spouse Nursing Home Beds: Authorizes certain licensed skilled nursing facilities to request to designate or alter designation of certain beds as veteran & spouse nursing home beds if specific criteria are met; authorizes executive director of DVA to approve such requests if specific criteria are met; authorizes DVA to adopt rules; specifies conditions under which certain state veterans' nursing homes or certain licensed skilled nursing facilities are exempt from having to receive certificate of need from AHCA. Effective Date: July 1, 2025

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

04/17/2025 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/24/25

HB 0821 Business Development Incentives for Veterans and Military Spouses by Gantt

Business Development Incentives for Veterans and Military Spouses: Requires DOS to waive specified fees for certain businesses established by veteran or military spouse; provides eligibility & registration requirements; provides for rulemaking & interagency cooperation; provides reporting requirements. Effective Date: July 1, 2025

Current Committee of Reference: House State Affairs Committee

Actions

04/10/2025 HOUSE Now in State Affairs Committee

HB 0829 Toll Discounts for Veteran-owned Businesses by Spencer

Toll Discounts for Veteran-owned Businesses: Provides discount for certain veteran-owned businesses on required payment of tolls for use of toll facilities; provides requirements for veteran-owned business to qualify for exemption; provides requirements for discount; requires Florida Turnpike Enterprise in coordination with Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs & Department of Management Services to administer discount program; establishes two-year pilot program & reporting requirements. Effective Date: July 1, 2025

Current Committee of Reference: House Transportation & Economic Development Budget Subcommittee

Actions

03/19/2025 Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 03/21/25, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

HB 0845 Veterans Affairs by Maney

Veterans Affairs: Revises admissions process for veterans treatment court programs; authorizes court, in consultation with multidisciplinary team, to determine eligibility for veterans treatment court programs; authorizes sentencing courts to divert defendants to veterans treatment court programs; requires certain notice be provided to defendants; provides for disposition of probation or community control violations by program participants. Effective Date: July 1, 2025

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

04/17/2025 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/24/25

SB 0910 Veterans' Benefits Assistance by Collins

Veterans' Benefits Assistance; Prohibiting a person from receiving compensation for referring an individual to a provider for advising, assisting, or consulting on any veterans' benefits matter; requiring that persons who advise, assist, or consult on veterans' benefits matters for compensation provide a specified oral and written disclosure before entering into a business relationship with a client; prohibiting a provider who advises, assists, or consults on veterans' benefits matters from charging certain fees; requiring a provider to ensure that individuals who directly assist a veteran in a veterans' benefits matter complete a specified background screening before entering into an agreement with a veteran for veterans' benefits matters, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

04/15/2025 HOUSE In Messages

SB 1016 Increased Homestead Property Exemptions by Ingoglia

Increased Homestead Property Exemptions; Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to increase the homestead exemption from \$25,000 to \$75,000, for all levies, with annual adjustments for inflation, deleting the exemption for school district levies, etc.

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Community Affairs

Actions

03/03/2025 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Finance and Tax; Appropriations

HB 1043 Veterans by Plakon

Veterans: Revises maximum number of nominees for Florida Veterans' Hall of Fame; requires DVA to conduct study that evaluates extent to which specified persons are aware of certain existing programs or services; revises requirements of specified report; requires that specified report include evaluation of

health literacy of veterans & recommendations on how to increase knowledge of programs & services; requires DVA to ensure coordination with United States Department of Defense for specified purpose; authorizes DVA to engage county & city veteran service officers for assistance; revises purpose of Veteran Suicide Prevention Training Pilot Program; requires pilot program participants to be trained to identify indicators of elevated mental health risk; requires DVA to contract with organization developing & implementing certain mental health training; requires Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., to advise DVA on needs of certain military personnel & their spouses; revises collaborators of Veterans Employment & Training Services Program; requires DVA to develop plan to establish adult day health care facilities; requires that such plans include specified information; requires report to Legislature; revises authorized use of specified percentage of proceeds from sale of specified specialty license plate. Effective Date: July 1, 2025

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

04/17/2025 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

SB 1172 Preferences for Veterans and Military Spouses by Jones

Preferences for Veterans and Military Spouses; Requiring the state and its political subdivisions to give preference in appointment and retention in positions of employment to the spouses of wartime veterans, veterans, members of any reserve component of the United States Armed Forces or the Florida National Guard, and certain active duty servicemembers; defining the term "veteran-owned or military spouse-owned business"; providing for contracting preferences for such businesses; citing this act as the "Florida Veterans and Military Spouse Business Development Act", etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Finance and Tax

Actions

03/19/2025 Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 03/21/25, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

HB 1185 Department of Management Services 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: July 1, 2025

Current Committee of Reference: House Government Operations Subcommittee

Actions

03/05/2025 HOUSE Now in Government Operations Subcommittee

HB 1241 Veterans by Redondo

Veterans: Revising provisions related to Florida is for Veterans, Inc., Veterans Employment & Training Services Program, grants, filing & license fees for veterans, & veteran courts. Effective Date: July 1, 2025

Current Committee of Reference: House Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee

Actions

03/05/2025 HOUSE Now in Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee

SB 1280 Military Affairs by Collins

Military Affairs; Redesignating the official state flagship as the S.S. American Victory; updating a

reference to federal law relating to the designation of the Department of Veterans' Affairs as the state approving agency for veterans' education and training; renaming the Veterans Employment and Training Services Program administered by Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., as the Veterans Florida Opportunity Program; requiring Florida is for Veterans, Inc., and the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences to enter into a grant agreement, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$2,500,000 Effective Date: 7/1/2025

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services

Actions

03/26/2025 SENATE Now in Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services

SB 1282 Public Records/Veterans Florida Opportunity Program by Collins

Public Records/Veterans Florida Opportunity Program; Providing an exemption from public records requirements for specified materials and information received, generated, ascertained, or discovered by Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., while administering the Veterans Florida Opportunity Program; providing for future legislative review and repeal of the exemption; providing a statement of public necessity, etc. Effective Date: On the same date that SB 1280 or similar legislation takes effect, if such legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services

Actions

03/26/2025 SENATE Now in Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services

HB 1291 Pub. Rec./Florida Is For Veterans, Inc. by Redondo

Pub. Rec./Florida Is For Veterans, Inc. : Provides exemption from public records requirements for specified materials & information received, generated, ascertained, or discovered by Florida Is For Veterans, Inc., while administering Veterans Florida Opportunity Program; provides for future legislative review & repeal of exemption; provides statement of public necessity. Effective Date: on the same date that HB 1241 or similar legislation takes effect

Current Committee of Reference: House Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee

Actions

03/05/2025 HOUSE Now in Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee

SB 1366 Toll Discounts for Veteran-owned Businesses by Smith (C)

Toll Discounts for Veteran-owned Businesses; Providing a discount for certain veteran-owned businesses on payment of tolls for the use of toll facilities under a pilot program established by the Department of Transportation; providing eligibility requirements for the pilot program; requiring the Florida Turnpike Enterprise in coordination with the Department of Veterans' Affairs and the Department of Management Services to administer the pilot program, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2025

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Transportation

Actions

03/06/2025 SENATE Referred to Transportation; Appropriations Committee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Fiscal Policy

SB 1464 Veterans' Assistance by Wright

Veterans' Assistance; Requiring the Department of Veterans' Affairs, subject to appropriation, to expand programs connecting veterans and their families and survivors to certain services, benefits, and support; requiring the department to host public events for such purpose; requiring the department to submit an annual report to the Governor and Legislature, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2025

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services

Actions

03/19/2025 SENATE Now in Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services

SB 1532**Executive Branch** by McClain

Executive Branch; Revising policies regarding equal employment opportunity in state government; repealing a provision relating to utilization of minority business enterprises in contracts for public construction works; revising provisions governing preferences for Florida-based businesses in procurement; repealing a provision relating to the certification of minority business enterprises; authorizing the Attorney General to bring a civil action against a vendor or affiliate that violates specified provisions, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2025

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Governmental Oversight and Accountability

Actions

03/06/2025 SENATE Referred to Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; Fiscal Policy

SB 1724**Access to Veterans Treatment Court Programs** by Wright

Access to Veterans Treatment Court Programs; Deleting a provision requiring that a defendant seeking to participate in a veterans treatment court program submit an application to the state attorney; deleting a provision requiring that the state attorney review each application and determine whether the defendant meets certain eligibility requirements; authorizing the sentencing court, for offenses committed after a specified date, to place defendants into a postadjudicatory veterans treatment court program under certain circumstances; authorizing offenders charged with certain offenses to participate in the veterans treatment court program under certain circumstances, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2025

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Criminal Justice

Actions

03/07/2025 SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice; Fiscal Policy

SB 1864**Women of the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion** by Davis

Women of the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion; Recognizing the women of the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion for their unwavering service to the United States Army and its personnel during World War II, etc.

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

03/27/2025 SENATE Read 2nd time; Adopted by Publication

SB 2514**Health and Human Services** by Appropriations

Health and Human Services; Authorizing certain dental and dental hygiene students to apply for the Dental Student Loan Repayment Program before obtaining active employment; revising the definitions of the terms "cancer center" and "Florida-based"; defining the term "Cancer Connect Collaborative" or "collaborative"; requiring the collaborative to review all submitted Cancer Innovation Fund grant applications using certain parameters; requiring the Department of Health to appoint peer review panels for a specified purpose, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2025

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

04/10/2025 SENATE In returning messages