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### Special Session A

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#### **Friday**

The House is expected to meet into the evening hours today. Conference will be held Saturday, and all remaining unresolved issues will be bumped to the House Speaker and Senate President late in the day tomorrow. The final conference report is expected to be delivered to members on Sunday making Wednesday the first available date for the final vote.

#### **Senate Conferees**

Sen. JD Alexander and Sen. Ted Deutch will serve as Chair and Vice Chair respectively. Sens. Thad Altman and Ken Pruitt will serve as At Large members.

**Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations:** Victor Crist, Chair, Frederica Wilson, Dennis Jones, Arthenia Joyner, Alex Villalobos

**Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations:** Stephen Wise, Chair, Gary Siplin, Mike Bennett, Larcenia Bullard, Nancy Detert, Rudy Garcia, Garrett Richter

**General Government Appropriations:** Carey Baker, Chair, Al Lawson, Dave Aronberg, Charlie Dean, Steve Oelrich

**Health and Human Services Appropriations:** Durell Peaden, Chair, Nan Rich, Don Gaetz, Mike Haridopolos, Eleanor Sobel

**Higher Education Appropriations:** Evelyn Lynn, Chair, Dan Gelber, Lee Constantine, Ted Deutch, Jim King

**Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations:** Mike Fasano, Chair, Tony Hill, Alex Diaz de la

Portilla, Paula Dockery, Andy Gardiner, Chris Smith, Ronda Storms

#### **House Conferees**

Rep. Galvano will serve as Chair.

At Large: Rep. Cannon, Rep. Llorente, Rep. Rivera, Rep. Cretul, Rep. Hasner, Rep. Bogdanoff, Rep. Lopez-Cantera, Rep. Randolph, Rep. Gibson, Rep. Brandenburg, Rep. Thurston

#### **Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development:**

Rep. Rivera – Chair, Rep. Coley, Rep. Saunders, Rep. Culp, Rep. Flores, Rep. Glorioso, Rep. Murzin, Rep. Proctor, Rep. Weatherford, Rep. Heller, Rep. Kiar, Rep. Bush

**PreK-12 Appropriations Committee:** Rep. Flores – Chair, Rep. Legg, Rep. Kiar, Rep. Bogdanoff, Rep. Fresen, Rep. Stargel, Rep. Bullard, Rep. Clarke-Reed

#### **State & Community Colleges & Workforce Appropriations Committee:**

Rep. Weatherford – Chair, Rep. McKeel, Rep. Brisé, Rep. Horner, Rep. Kelly, Rep. Weinstein, Rep. G. Thompson

#### **State Universities & Private Colleges Appropriations Committee:**

Rep. Proctor – Chair, Rep. Precourt, Rep. Heller, Rep. Burgin, Rep. O'Toole, Rep. Patterson, Rep. Reed, Rep. D. Taylor

#### **Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Committee:**

Rep. Glorioso – Chair, Rep. Evers, Rep. Rehwinkle, Rep. Vasilinda, Rep. Carroll, Rep. Drake, Rep. Hukill, Rep. Ray, Rep.

Schenck, Rep. Murzin, Rep. Gibson, Rep. Long, Rep. Steinberg

**Full Appropriations Council on General Government & Health Care** : Rep. Llorente – Chair, Rep. Frishe, Rep. Skidmore, Rep. Adams, Rep. Ambler, Rep. Domino, Rep. Hays, Rep. Homan, Rep. Patronis, Rep. Planas, Rep. Poppell, Rep. Robaina, Rep. Zapata, Rep. Brandenburg, Rep. Braynon, Rep. Rogers, Rep. Garcia, Rep. Rouson

**Criminal & Civil Justice Appropriations Committee**: Rep. Adams – Chair, Rep. N. Thompson, Rep. Rouson, Rep. Eisnaugle, Rep. Planas, Rep. Snyder, Rep. Soto, Rep. P. Taylor

**Government Operations Appropriations Committee**: Rep. Hays – Chair, Rep. Hooper, Rep. Braynon, Rep. Ford, Rep. McBurney, Rep. Nelson, Rep. A. Williams

**Health Care Appropriations Committee**: Rep. Ambler – Chair, Rep. Patronis, Rep. Brandenburg, Rep. Grimsley, Rep. Kreegel, Rep. Renuart, Rep. Jones

**Healthy Seniors Appropriations Committee**: Rep. Domino – Chair, Rep. Anderson, Rep. Jenne, Rep. Adkins, Rep. Hudson, Rep. Nehr, Rep. Pafford

**Human Services Appropriations Committee**: Rep. Zapata – Chair, Rep. Aubuchon, Rep. Thurston, Rep. Bovo, Rep. K. Roberson, Rep. Van Zant, Rep. Rader

**Natural Resources Appropriations Committee**: Rep. Poppell – Chair, Rep. T. Williams, Rep. Boyd, Rep. Crisafulli, Rep. Mayfield, Rep. Plakon, Rep. Bembry, Rep. Chestnut

### **Highlights from the House and Senate Appropriations Bills (5101A and 2A)**

The Senate and House both drastically cut the **Department of Corrections** by nearly \$45, but remained unable to agree on where the reductions should be taken:

- In the Senate, the largest percentage of the overall \$45M came from a \$29.1 M cut to Adult Male Custody Operations -- includes elimination of 580 FTEs and \$3.4M in private prison operations contracts. The House took a more conservative approach in that line item, removing only \$9.3M.
- Both chambers reduced \$1.2M in adult and youthful offender female custody operations
- The Senate tried to preserve Adult Substance Abuse Prevention, Evaluation and Treatment Services by reducing the appropriation by only \$1.13M of which over \$900,000 came from grants and contracts; whereas the House eviscerated the program by eliminating a full \$7M of GR.,
- The Senate removed \$5M in inmate health programs across several line items, including a loss of \$3.6M in inmate health services, and \$348,848 in psychotropic drug dollars. The House position of cutting \$3.6M in GR was significantly less problematic for the already struggling jail and prison health systems.

The judicial branch loses \$1.3M in the Senate version, of which 90%, or \$1.1M, is coming from **Guardian Ad Litem (GAL)**, including 19 positions. The House version treats the judicial branch appropriations differently, without mention of the GAL program, specifically.

The House and Senate continue to differ with respect to the appropriate levels of reduction to the **Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services**:

- DACS is losing \$3.86M in GR and **\$10.77M in TF** in the Senate bill, but \$3.93M in GR and less than \$1M in TF in the House version.
- "Forestry Wildfire Suppression Equipment" line items are also

funded at differing levels in the House and Senate bills. The the Senate \$944K is moved from recurring GR to a non-recurring TF to make the item whole for the next 6 months, while in the House the item is reduced by \$911K and 28 positions.

**Florida Forever Trust Fund:**

In the Senate, \$63M is being swept from the trust fund that was set aside for land acquisition of environmentally endangered lands.

**Water Protection and Sustainability TF** is losing \$500K in the Senate version, and \$1M in trust funds in the House version.

**Water Resource Protection and Restoration Program** in the Senate version is reduced a total of \$4.3M with \$1.6M from small county wastewater grants and \$2.7M from alternative water supply funds. The House has three separate line items of trust fund sweeps, including a loss of: \$1.7M in fixed capital outlay, \$2M in small county wastewater treatment, and \$19M in alternative water supply grants to local government and non-state entities.

The House and Senate remain in disagreement over the level of cuts to take to **Affordable Housing. The Affordable Housing Trust Funds** were hard hit in the Senate, with more than \$23M swept. The House proposed an overall reduction by \$337M, while the Senate remains at \$140M. In the Senate, **Affordable Housing and Neighborhood Development** lost \$894K total, of which nearly \$782K is from a TF sweep.

**Transportation**

A \$200 million “cut” to the Transportation Trust Fund was achieved in the House bill by a delay of work program from gas tax revenue.