

**The Florida Senate**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA**

**EDUCATION**  
**Senator Gruters, Chair**  
**Senator Jones, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, January 25, 2022  
**TIME:** 10:00 a.m.—12:00 noon  
**PLACE:** Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

**MEMBERS:** Senator Gruters, Chair; Senator Jones, Vice Chair; Senators Berman, Bradley, Broxson, Diaz, Hutson, Passidomo, and Polsky

TAB	OFFICE and APPOINTMENT (HOME CITY)	FOR TERM ENDING	COMMITTEE ACTION
<b>Senate Confirmation Hearing:</b> A public hearing will be held for consideration of the below-named executive appointment to the office indicated.			
<b>State Board of Education</b>			
1	Gibson, Benjamin J. (Tallahassee)	12/31/2024	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, Florida A &amp; M University</b>			
2	Lawrence, David, Jr. (Coral Gables)	01/06/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, Florida Atlantic University</b>			
3	Ellison, Earnie, Jr. (Palm Beach Gardens)	01/06/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
	Murphy, Sherry (Jupiter)	01/06/2025	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, Florida State University</b>			
4	Alvarez, Maximo (Doral)	01/06/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
	Weatherford, Drew (Tampa)	01/06/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
	de las Cuevas-Diaz, Vivian (Coral Gables)	01/06/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, Florida International University</b>			
5	Sarnoff, Marc D. (Miami)	01/06/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, Florida Polytechnic University</b>			
6	Bostick, R. Mark (Lake Wales)	06/30/2025	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
	Stork, Robert W. (Vero Beach)	06/30/2023	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
	Kini, Naren (Pinecrest)	11/07/2022	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, University of North Florida</b>			
7	Gol, John (St. Johns)	01/06/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0

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	Shelton, Allison (Jacksonville)	01/06/2025	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
	Hyde, Kevin E. (Jacksonville)	01/06/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, University of South Florida</b>			
8	Monbarren, Lauran (San Antonio)	01/06/2025	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
	Piccolo, Frederick (St. Petersburg)	01/06/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, University of West Florida</b>			
9	Bowers, William (Escambia)	01/06/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 9 Nays 0

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
10	<b>SB 82</b> Torres (Similar CS/H 6513)	Relief of Kareem Hawari by the Osceola County School Board; Providing for the relief of Kareem Hawari by the Osceola County School Board; providing an appropriation to Mr. Hawari to compensate him for injuries and damages sustained as a result of the negligence of employees of the Osceola County School Board; providing a limitation on compensation and the payment of attorney fees, etc.  JU 01/10/2022 Favorable ED 01/25/2022 Favorable RC	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
11	<b>SB 340</b> Garcia (Similar H 173)	Care of Students with Epilepsy or Seizure Disorders; Providing for the creation of an individualized seizure action plan for a student with epilepsy or seizure disorders to receive health care at school; requiring school nurses or appropriate school employees to coordinate the care of such students and ensure that specified training is provided to specified school employees and individuals; requiring school districts to provide specified information and training to school bus drivers who transport students with epilepsy or seizure disorders; providing immunity from liability under certain conditions, etc.  ED 01/18/2022 Not Considered ED 01/25/2022 Favorable AED AP	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0

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12	<b>SB 892</b> Burgess (Similar CS/H 225)	Charter School Charters; Requiring a request for a consolidation of multiple charters to be approved or denied within a specified timeframe; requiring a charter school sponsor to provide to the charter school specified information relating to a denial of a request for a consolidation within a certain timeframe; providing for the automatic renewal of a charter under certain circumstances, etc.  ED 01/25/2022 Favorable CA RC	Favorable Yeas 7 Nays 2
13	<b>SB 1034</b> Gruters (Similar H 6067)	William L. Boyd, IV, Effective Access to Student Education Grant Program; Revising the institutions a student must attend to receive a William L. Boyd, IV, Effective Access to Student Education grant to include certain for-profit independent colleges and universities, etc.  ED 01/18/2022 Not Considered ED 01/25/2022 Fav/CS AED AP	Fav/CS Yeas 8 Nays 0
14	<b>SB 1122</b> Gainer (Similar H 991)	Student Fees; Authorizing a district school board or Florida College System institution board of trustees, in consultation with specified entities, to implement a plan for a differential out-of-state fee; authorizing a Florida College System institution board of trustees, in consultation with specified entities, to implement a plan for a differential out-of-state fee, etc.  ED 01/18/2022 Not Considered ED 01/25/2022 Favorable AED AP	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
15	<b>SB 1294</b> Gruters	Individual Education Plan Meetings; Authorizing a parent of a public school student to audio or video record any meeting with his or her child's individual education plan (IEP) team; requiring the parent to notify the school district in writing a specified time in advance of his or her intent to record the meeting; providing that parents have the right to audio or video record meetings with their child's IEP team, etc.  ED 01/18/2022 Not Considered ED 01/25/2022 Fav/CS GO RC	Fav/CS Yeas 7 Nays 2

**A proposed committee substitute** for the following bill (SB 1300) is expected to be considered:

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16	<b>SB 1300</b> Gruters	District School Board Meetings; Requiring all meetings of district school boards which are not exempt from certain public meeting requirements to be recorded by video and streamed live on a publicly accessible website; providing that parents have the right to be heard at district school board meetings, including the right to criticize individual district school board members, etc.  ED 01/25/2022 Fav/CS GO RC	Fav/CS Yeas 6 Nays 3
<b>A proposed committee substitute</b> for the following bill (SB 1348) is expected to be considered:			
17	<b>SB 1348</b> Diaz	Educational Choice Scholarships; Revising eligibility for the Family Empowerment Scholarship Program; deleting limits on the number of students receiving scholarships; deleting a requirement that the department cross-check the list of participating Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program students with the public school enrollment lists to avoid duplication; deleting a requirement that a nonprofit scholarship-funding organization obtain verification from the private school of a student's continued attendance at the school for each period covered by a scholarship payment, etc.  ED 01/25/2022 Fav/CS AED AP	Fav/CS Yeas 6 Nays 3
18	<b>SB 1552</b> Gruters	Direct-support Organization for the Florida Prepaid College Board; Removing the scheduled repeal of the Florida Prepaid College Board's authority to establish a direct-support organization, etc.  ED 01/25/2022 Favorable RC	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0
19	<b>SB 1576</b> Polsky (Similar H 1017)	Educational Support Staff; Providing that a staff support position that has over a specified amount of positions vacant constitutes a critical shortage area; requiring each district superintendent to compile specified information by a specified date each year; requiring districts to fund certain incentives; requiring district superintendents to file a report with the Legislature documenting certain information by a specified date each year, etc.  ED 01/25/2022 Favorable AED AP	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0

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20	<b>SB 1700</b> Gruters (Compare H 1199)	School Readiness Program Funding; Deleting a requirement that all state, federal, and local matching funds provided to an early learning coalition for certain purposes be used for implementation of its approved school readiness plan; requiring the Division of Early Learning within the Department of Education to conduct an allocation conference; requiring conference principals to discuss and agree to all conventions and calculation methods to be used to calculate the school readiness funding formula for the early learning coalitions for the fiscal year for which the appropriations are made, etc.  ED 01/25/2022 Favorable AED AP	Favorable Yeas 9 Nays 0

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Other Related Meeting Documents

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