

INTERIM UPDATE



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EDUCATION

SB 88-High School Graduation Requirements

On Wednesday, November 8th, SB 88, by Senator Dorothy Hukill (R-Port Orange), was heard by the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K – 12 Education and passed by a vote of 6 yeas to 0 nays. **AIF's Senior Vice President of State and Federal Affairs, Brewster Bevis, stood in support of this bill.**

Currently, based on Next Generation Sunshine State Standards, high school students receive financial literacy instruction as part of the one-half Economics course credit required for graduation. The bill revises that standard to require students entering grade 9 in the 2018-2019 school year and thereafter to complete a one-half standalone course credit in personal financial literacy.

SB 88 will go on to the Senate Committee on Appropriations.

AIF SUPPORTS legislation that provides students the tools to learn about relevant, and real-life subjects that will prepare them for the workforce in the future.

TRANSPORTATION

HB 353-Relating to Autonomous Vehicles

On Wednesday, November 8th, HB 353, relating to Autonomous Vehicles, by Rep. Jason Fischer (R-Jacksonville) was heard by the House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee and passed. **AIF's Senior Vice President of State and Federal Affairs, Brewster Bevis, stood in support of this bill.**

This bill authorizes the use of vehicles in autonomous mode. The autonomous technology would be considered the human operator of the motor vehicle and provides that various provisions of law regarding motor vehicles such as rendering aid in the event of a crash do not apply to vehicles in autonomous mode where a human operator is not physically present as long as the vehicle owner promptly contacts law enforcement. The bill also addresses the applicability of laws regarding unattended motor vehicles and passenger restraint requirements as they relate to vehicles operating in autonomous mode where a human operator is not physically present in the vehicle.

HB 353 will now move on to the House Appropriations Committee.

AIF SUPPORTS legislation that authorizes the use of autonomous vehicles and regulates the responsible party should there be an incident.