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AGRICULTURE

SB 1000 – Relating to Nutrient Application Rates

On Monday, January 10, [SB 1000](#) by Senator Ben Albritton (R-Bartow) was heard by the Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee and was reported favorable with 4 yeas and 0 nays. The bill allows certified crop advisors to recommend preferred fertilizer rates to tailor nutrient application rates. The bill provides that producers using rate tailoring are required to enroll in and implement applicable best management practices (BMPs) adopted by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. **AIF's Vice President of Governmental Affairs, Adam Basford, stood in support of this legislation.**

AIF supports legislative efforts to establish uniform nutrient application regulations thus removing the patchwork of regulations that Florida's farmers must navigate and encouraging best management practices.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SB 946 – Relating to the Entertainment Industry

On Monday, January 10, [SB 946](#) by Sen. Joe Gruters (R-Sarasota) was heard by the Senate Commerce and Tourism Committee and was reported favorable with 9 yeas and 1 nay. The bill creates the Targeted High Wage Production Rebate Program within the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) to give tax credits on qualified expenditures to film, television, and digital media production projects. The bill requires the projects to employ a crew of which 60% are Florida residents and spend at least 70% of their production days in the state. A project would receive a tax credit after it has completed

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production and its expenditures have been verified by the DEO. **AIF's Legislative Affairs Assistant, BD Jogerst, stood in support of this legislation.**

SB 946 will now go to the Senate Finance and Tax Committee.

AIF supports legislation that expands the state's entertainment industry while also increasing tourism in the state which creates jobs and furthers the state's economic growth.