



From April 20, 2017

EDUCATION

HB 955-High School Graduation Requirements

On Thursday, April 20th, HB 955, by Representative Larry Ahern (R-Seminole), was heard by the House Education Committee and unanimously passed by a vote of 17 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 56 Next Generation Sunshine State Standards in financial literacy, high school students receive financial literacy instruction as part of the one-half Economics course credit required for graduation. The bill requires students entering grade 9 in the 2017-2018 school year and thereafter to complete a one-half course credit in personal financial literacy and revises the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards to include additional specified financial literacy topics.

HB 955 will go on to the House floor for consideration.

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

INSURANCE

HB 1107-Relating to Public Records/Workers' Compensation

On Thursday, April 20th, HB 1107, by Representative Ben Albritton (R-Bartow) was read for a third time on the House floor and passed unanimously by a vote of 115 yeas to 0 nays.

This bill would exempt private and personal identifying information of an injured worker or deceased employee from public record. Currently, this information is open to the public and often times injured workers are inundated with outreach from attorneys wanting to take on their cases immediately after filing their claim.

HB 1107 will now go to the Senate floor for consideration.

AIF SUPPORTS protecting the private information of injured or deceased employees.

LEGAL & JUDICIAL

HB 1027- Relating to Unmanned Aircraft

On Thursday, April 20th, HB 1027, by Representative Clay Yarborough (R-Jacksonville,) was read for a third time on the House floor and unanimously passed by a vote of 117 yeas to 0 nays.

This bill will ensure a consistent framework for the use of drones. As the use of drones becomes increasingly more common in many different sectors of the business community throughout the state, implementing statewide regulations will establish safeguards while operating drones.

HB 1027 will go to the Senate floor for consideration.

AIF SUPPORTS legislation that will streamline business regulation throughout the state.