

The Florida Senate

CS/CS/CS/SB 700: Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

GENERAL BILL by Fiscal Policy ; Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government ; Agriculture ; [Truenow](#)

Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; Providing that certain positions in the department are exempt from the Career Service System; prohibiting a person from knowingly or willfully performing certain actions on lands classified as agricultural; requiring that certain lands acquired or owned by an electric utility by a certain date be offered for fee simple acquisition by the department before the land may be offered for sale or transfer to a private individual or entity; requiring local governmental entities to issue permits for electric vehicle charging stations based on specified standards and provisions of law; requiring, subject to appropriation of funds, the Cattle Enhancement Board, Inc., in coordination with the department, to establish a Florida beef marketing program, etc.

Effective Date: except as otherwise provided
Last Action: 5/15/2025 - Approved by Governor
Bill Text: [Web Page](#) | [PDF](#)

Senate Committee References:

1. [Agriculture](#) (AG)
2. [Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government](#) (AEG)
3. [Fiscal Policy](#) (FP)

Bill History

| Date | Chamber | Action |
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| 2/13/2025 | Senate | • Filed |
| 2/25/2025 | Senate | • Referred to Agriculture; Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; Fiscal Policy |
| 3/4/2025 | Senate | • Introduced |
| 3/6/2025 | Senate | • On Committee agenda-- Agriculture, 03/11/25, 4:00 pm, 301 Senate Building |
| 3/11/2025 | Senate | • CS by Agriculture; YEAS 6 NAYS 0 |
| 3/13/2025 | Senate | • Pending reference review under Rule 4.7(2) - (Committee Substitute) • Now in Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government |
| 3/18/2025 | Senate | • CS by Agriculture read 1st time |
| 3/21/2025 | Senate | • On Committee agenda-- Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government, 03/26/25, 3:30 pm, 412 Knott Building |

| Date | Chamber | Action |
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| 3/26/2025 | Senate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CS/CS by Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; YEAS 8 NAYS 4 |
| 3/28/2025 | Senate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pending reference review under Rule 4.7(2) - (Committee Substitute) • Now in Fiscal Policy |
| 4/2/2025 | Senate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CS/CS by Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government read 1st time |
| 4/3/2025 | Senate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On Committee agenda-- Fiscal Policy, 04/08/25, 2:00 pm, 412 Knott Building |
| 4/8/2025 | Senate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CS/CS/CS by- Fiscal Policy; YEAS 13 NAYS 5 |
| 4/10/2025 | Senate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pending reference review -under Rule 4.7(2) - (Committee Substitute) • Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading • Placed on Special Order Calendar, 04/15/25 |
| 4/14/2025 | Senate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CS/CS/CS by Fiscal Policy read 1st time |
| 4/15/2025 | Senate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read 2nd time -SJ 415 • Amendment(s) failed (154380, 274106, 765612) -SJ 417 • Amendment(s) adopted (340838) -SJ 418 • Ordered engrossed -SJ 418 • Placed on 3rd reading -SJ 418 |
| 4/16/2025 | Senate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read 3rd time -SJ 441 • CS passed; YEAS 27 NAYS 9 -SJ 444 • Immediately certified -SJ 444 |
| 4/16/2025 | House | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Messages |
| 4/28/2025 | House | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bill referred to House Calendar • Bill added to Special Order Calendar (4/29/2025) • 1st Reading (Engrossed 1) |
| 4/29/2025 | House | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read 2nd time • Amendment 649901 Failed • Amendment 910335 Failed • Placed on 3rd reading • Added to Third Reading Calendar • Read 3rd time • CS passed; YEAS 88, NAYS 27 |
| 4/29/2025 | Senate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ordered enrolled |
| 5/14/2025 | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signed by Officers and presented to Governor |
| 5/15/2025 | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved by Governor |

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