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# Judiciary Committee

Tuesday, February 21, 2017

4:00 PM

404 HOB

Action Packet

Richard Corcoran  
Speaker

Chris Spowls  
Chair

# COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

## Judiciary Committee

2/21/2017 4:00:00PM

**Location:** Sumner Hall (404 HOB)

### Summary:

#### Judiciary Committee

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HJR 1	Favorable	Yeas: 11	Nays: 8
HB 65	Favorable	Yeas: 18	Nays: 0
HB 301	Favorable	Yeas: 12	Nays: 6
HB 527	Favorable	Yeas: 17	Nays: 1

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**Attendance:**

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Excused</i>
Chris Sprowls (Chair)	X		
Ramon Alexander	X		
Daniel Burgess, Jr.	X		
John Cortes	X		
Ben Diamond	X		
Jay Fant	X		
Heather Fitzenhagen	X		
Joseph Geller	X		
Julio Gonzalez	X		
Erin Grall	X		
Bill Hager	X		
Shawn Harrison	X		
Larry Metz	X		
George Moraitis, Jr.	X		
Scott Plakon	X		
Sharon Pritchett	X		
Ross Spano	X		
Cynthia Stafford	X		
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

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### HJR 1 : Judicial Term Limits

Favorable

	Yea	Nay	No Vote	Absentee Yea	Absentee Nay
Ramon Alexander		X			
Daniel Burgess, Jr.	X				
John Cortes		X			
Ben Diamond		X			
Jay Fant		X			
Heather Fitzenhagen	X				
Joseph Geller		X			
Julio Gonzalez	X				
Erin Grall	X				
Bill Hager	X				
Shawn Harrison	X				
Larry Metz	X				
George Moraitis, Jr.		X			
Scott Plakon	X				
Sharon Pritchett		X			
Ross Spano	X				
Cynthia Stafford		X			
Dane Eagle (Ex Officio)	X				
Chris Sprowls (Chair)	X				
	<b>Total Yeas: 11</b>	<b>Total Nays: 8</b>			

### Appearances:

Judicial Term Limits

Perry, Gail Marie (General Public) - Opponent

Communications Workers of America Council of Florida

Chair

PO Box 1766

Pompano Beach FL 33061

Phone: 954-850-4055

Judicial Term Limits

Husband, Warren (Lobbyist) - Opponent

Florida Bar, The

PO Box 10909

Tallahassee FL 32302-29

Phone: (850) 205-9000

Judicial Term Limits

Kottkamp, Jeffrey (Lobbyist) - Opponent

FLABOTA Legislative and Educational Fund

3311 Dartmoor Dr

Tallahassee FL 32312

Phone: (239) 297-9741

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**HJR 1 : Judicial Term Limits (continued)**

**Appearances: (continued)**

Judicial Term Limits

Large, William (Lobbyist) - Opponent

Florida Justice Reform Institute

Florida Justice Reform Institute 210 S Monroe St

Tallahassee FL 32301-18

Phone: (850) 222-0170

Judicial Term Limits

Harris, Bob (Lobbyist) - Waive In Opposition

Trial Lawyers Section of the Florida Bar

Po Box 15579

Tallahassee FL 32317-55

Phone: (850) 222-0720

Judicial Term Limits

Mawhinney, Allison (Lobbyist) - Opponent

U.S. Chamber Institute for Legal Reform

301 S Bronough Street Suite 600

Tallahassee FL 32301

Phone: (850) 577-9090

Judicial Term Limits

Pitts, Brian - Information Only

Trustee-Justice-2-Jesus

Trustee

1119 Newton Avenue South

Saint Petersburg Florida 33705

Phone: 727-897-9291

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**Location:** Sumner Hall (404 HOB)

**HB 65 : Civil Remedies for Terrorism**

Favorable

	Yea	Nay	No Vote	Absentee Yea	Absentee Nay
Ramon Alexander	X				
Daniel Burgess, Jr.	X				
John Cortes	X				
Ben Diamond	X				
Jay Fant	X				
Heather Fitzenhagen	X				
Joseph Geller	X				
Julio Gonzalez	X				
Erin Grall	X				
Bill Hager	X				
Shawn Harrison	X				
Larry Metz	X				
George Moraitis, Jr.	X				
Scott Plakon	X				
Sharon Pritchett	X				
Ross Spano	X				
Cynthia Stafford	X				
Dane Eagle (Ex Officio)			X		
Chris Sprowls (Chair)	X				
<b>Total Yeas: 18</b>		<b>Total Nays: 0</b>			

**Appearances:**

Civil Remedies for Terrorism  
 Pitts, Brian - Information Only  
 Justice-2-Jesus  
 1119 Newton Ave. S.  
 St. Petersburg FL 33705  
 Phone: 727-897-9291

Civil Remedies for Terrorism  
 Christopher Holton - Information Only  
 Center for Security Policy  
 VP for Outreach  
 1901 Pennsylvania Ave.  
 Washington DC 20006  
 Phone: 504-234-8857

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### HB 301 : Supreme Court Reporting Requirements

Favorable

	Yea	Nay	No Vote	Absentee Yea	Absentee Nay
Ramon Alexander		X			
Daniel Burgess, Jr.	X				
John Cortes		X			
Ben Diamond		X			
Jay Fant	X				
Heather Fitzenhagen	X				
Joseph Geller		X			
Julio Gonzalez	X				
Erin Grall	X				
Bill Hager	X				
Shawn Harrison	X				
Larry Metz	X				
George Moraitis, Jr.	X				
Scott Plakon	X				
Sharon Pritchett		X			
Ross Spano	X				
Cynthia Stafford		X			
Dane Eagle (Ex Officio)			X		
Chris Sprowls (Chair)	X				
	<b>Total Yeas: 12</b>	<b>Total Nays: 6</b>			

### Appearances:

Supreme Court Reporting Requirements

Pitts, Brian - Information Only

Justice-2-Jesus

1119 Newton Ave. S.

St. Petersburg FL 33705

Phone: 727-897-9291

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**HB 527 : Sentencing for Capital Felonies**

Favorable

	Yea	Nay	No Vote	Absentee Yea	Absentee Nay
Ramon Alexander	X				
Daniel Burgess, Jr.	X				
John Cortes	X				
Ben Diamond	X				
Jay Fant	X				
Heather Fitzenhagen	X				
Joseph Geller		X			
Julio Gonzalez	X				
Erin Grall	X				
Bill Hager	X				
Shawn Harrison	X				
Larry Metz	X				
George Moraitis, Jr.	X				
Scott Plakon	X				
Sharon Pritchett	X				
Ross Spano	X				
Cynthia Stafford	X				
Dane Eagle (Ex Officio)			X		
Chris Sprowls (Chair)	X				
<b>Total Yeas: 17</b>		<b>Total Nays: 1</b>			

**Appearances:**

Sentencing for Capital Felonies

Dimmig, Rex (State Employee) - Proponent  
 Public Defender, Florida Public Defender Association  
 Public Defender, 10th Circuit  
 255 N. Broadway  
 Barton FL 33813  
 Phone: (860) 534-4250

Sentencing for Capital Felonies

Schlakman, Mark (State Employee) - Information Only  
 FSU Center for the Advancement of Human Rights  
 Senior Program Director,  
 425 W Jefferson St  
 Tallahassee FL 32301  
 Phone: 850-644-4614

Sentencing for Capital Felonies

Lindsey, Herman - Opponent  
 Witness to Innocence  
 Florida Death Row Exonerree  
 5301 NE 17th Ave  
 Pompano Beach FL 33064  
 Phone: 954-991-8731

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**HB 527 : Sentencing for Capital Felonies (continued)**

**Appearances: (continued)**

Sentencing for Capital Felonies

Furey, Agnes - Information Only

Tallahassee Citizens Against the Death Penalty

Board Member

2053 Rain Valley Circle

Tallahassee FL 32304

Phone: 850-321-7156

Sentencing for Capital Felonies

Meehan, Sheila - Information Only

Floridians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty

Board Member

3627 Dexter Dr.

Tallahassee FL 32312

Phone: 850-524-0080

Sentencing for Capital Felonies

Farah, Darlene - Information Only

432 Chestnut Dr.

Jacksonville FL 32224

Sentencing for Capital Felonies

Meyer, Rev. Dr. Russell - Information Only

Florida Council of Churches

Executive Director

3838 W Cypress

Tampa FL 33607

Phone: 813-435-5335

Sentencing for Capital Felonies

Jacobs, Buddy (Lobbyist) - Waive In Support

General Counsel FL Prosecuting Attorneys Association

961687 Gateway Blvd.

Fernerdina Beach FL 32034

Phone: 904-261-3693

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**The Florida House of Representatives**  
**Office of the Speaker**

**Richard Corcoran**  
**Speaker**

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Chris Sprowls, Chair, Judiciary Committee 

FROM: Speaker Richard Corcoran

RE: Ex Officio Appointment

DATE: February 21, 2017

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In accordance with Rule 7.7, I hereby appoint Representative Dane Eagle as an Ex Officio voting member of the Judiciary Committee for the February 21, 2017 committee meeting.

cc: Representative Jose Oliva, Chair, Rules & Policy Committee  
Representative Ray Rodrigues, Majority Leader  
Representative Dane Eagle, Majority Whip  
Representative Janet Cruz, Minority Leader  
Portia Palmer, Clerk  
Stephanie Birtman, Staff Director, Rules & Policy Committee  
Karen Camechis, Staff Director, Judiciary Committee