POLICY BRIEF | HB 1155 LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF PROPOSED REGULATION OF UNREGULATED FUNCTIONS

When excessive regulation goes unchecked, working Floridians and small businesses suffer. **HB 1155** ensures that proposed regulations are carefully checked for unintended consequences before enacted.

HB 1155 (Hage) **LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF PROPOSED REGULATION OF UNREGULATED FUNCTIONS:** improves the current sunrise review process, required for proposed regulations of currently unregulated professions, by additionally requiring that a Sunrise Review be completed for proposed legislation that substantially expands regulation of an already regulated industry.

- Carefully designed and implemented occupational licensing requirements can protect the health and safety of consumers.
- However, too often licensing requirements are inconsistent, inefficient and arbitrary. As a
 result, the price of goods and services increase, and Floridians are left with fewer
 employment opportunities.
- A Sunrise Review is a formal process of review requiring a cost-benefit analysis be conducted before legislation proposing to regulate an unregulated profession or occupation is enacted.
- The bill provides that a cost-benefit analysis also be completed for legislation that substantially expands regulation of an already regulated profession or occupation. Currently, there is no similar requirement in state law.
- HB 1155 will ensure that industries in Florida will not be subject to needless regulation, unless absolutely necessary, so that hard-working residents and businesses can thrive in a free market.

Please refer to bill texts and analyses for additional information.