



Civil Justice Subcommittee

Thursday, December 12, 2019

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

404 HOB

Action Packet

**Jose Oliva
Speaker**

**Bob Rommel
Chair**

Committee Meeting Notice

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Civil Justice Subcommittee

Start Date and Time: Thursday, December 12, 2019 09:00 am
End Date and Time: Thursday, December 12, 2019 12:00 pm
Location: Sumner Hall (404 HOB)
Duration: 3.00 hrs

Consideration of the following bill(s):

HB 469 Real Estate Conveyances by Duggan
HB 479 Pub. Rec./Judicial Assistants by Fetterhoff
HB 495 Business Organizations by Robinson
HB 505 Decedents' Property by Driskell
HB 6033 Rental Agreements upon Foreclosure by Sirois

Workshop on Consumer Litigation Financing

Pursuant to rule 7.11, the deadline for amendments to bills on the agenda by non-appointed members shall be 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 11, 2019.

By request of the Chair, all committee members are asked to have amendments to bills on the agenda submitted to staff by 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 11, 2019.

NOTICE FINALIZED on 12/05/2019 4:04PM by Ellerkamp.Donna

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Civil Justice Subcommittee

12/12/2019 9:00AM

Location: Sumner Hall (404 HOB)

Summary:

Civil Justice Subcommittee

Thursday December 12, 2019 09:00 am

HB 469	Favorable	Yeas: 12	Nays: 0
HB 479	Favorable	Yeas: 12	Nays: 0
HB 495	Favorable With Committee Substitute	Yeas: 14	Nays: 0
	Amendment 144953 Adopted		
	Amendment 759109 Adopted		
	Amendment 791561 Adopted		
HB 505	Favorable With Committee Substitute	Yeas: 14	Nays: 0
	Amendment 391007 Adopted		
HB 6033	Favorable	Yeas: 14	Nays: 0

Committee meeting was reported out: Thursday, December 12, 2019 2:08PM

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Civil Justice Subcommittee

12/12/2019 9:00AM

Location: Sumner Hall (404 HOB)

Attendance:

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Excused</i>
Bob Rommel (Chair)	X		
Bruce Antone	X		
Ben Diamond	X		
Nick DiCeglie	X		
Mike Hill	X		
Thomas Leek	X		
Lawrence McClure	X		
Amy Mercado	X		
Anika Omphroy	X		
Bobby Payne	X		
Ana Maria Rodriguez	X		
Tyler Sirois	X		
Charlie Stone	X		
Geraldine Thompson	X		
Jay Trumbull	X		
Totals:	15	0	0

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HB 469 : Real Estate Conveyances

Favorable

	Yea	Nay	No Vote	Absentee Yea	Absentee Nay
Bruce Antone			X		
Ben Diamond	X				
Nick DiCeglie	X				
Mike Hill	X				
Thomas Leek	X				
Lawrence McClure	X				
Amy Mercado	X				
Anika Omphroy	X				
Bobby Payne				X	
Ana Maria Rodriguez	X				
Tyler Sirois	X				
Charlie Stone	X				
Geraldine Thompson	X				
Jay Trumbull				X	
Bob Rommel (Chair)	X				
Total Yeas: 12		Total Nays: 0			

Appearances:

Kelly Mallette (Lobbyist) (Lobbyist Appearance Form Submitted) - Waive In Support

Florida Apartment Association

104 W. Jefferson Street

Tallahassee FL 32301

Phone: 850-224-3427

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HB 479 : Pub. Rec./Judicial Assistants

Favorable

	Yea	Nay	No Vote	Absentee Yea	Absentee Nay
Bruce Antone			X		
Ben Diamond	X				
Nick DiCeglie	X				
Mike Hill	X				
Thomas Leek	X				
Lawrence McClure	X				
Amy Mercado	X				
Anika Omphroy	X				
Bobby Payne				X	
Ana Maria Rodriguez	X				
Tyler Sirois	X				
Charlie Stone	X				
Geraldine Thompson	X				
Jay Trumbull				X	
Bob Rommel (Chair)	X				
Total Yeas: 12		Total Nays: 0			

Appearances:

Alison Dudley (Lobbyist) - Proponent
Judicial Assistants Association of Florida
Firm AB Dudley President
P.O. Box 428
Tallahassee FL 32302
Phone: 850-559-1139

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HB 495 : Business Organizations

Favorable With Committee Substitute

	Yea	Nay	No Vote	Absentee Yea	Absentee Nay
Bruce Antone	X				
Ben Diamond	X				
Nick DiCeglie	X				
Mike Hill	X				
Thomas Leek	X				
Lawrence McClure	X				
Amy Mercado	X				
Anika Omphroy				X	
Bobby Payne	X				
Ana Maria Rodriguez	X				
Tyler Sirois	X				
Charlie Stone	X				
Geraldine Thompson	X				
Jay Trumbull	X				
Bob Rommel (Chair)	X				
Total Yeas: 14		Total Nays: 0			

HB 495 Amendments

Amendment 144953

Adopted

Amendment 759109

Adopted

Amendment 791561

Adopted

Appearances:

Aimee Diaz Lyon (Lobbyist) - Waive In Support
The Business Law Section of the Florida Bar
119 South Monroe Street, Suite 200
Tallahassee FL 32301
Phone: 850-205-9000

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COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

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Location: Sumner Hall (404 HOB)

HB 505 : Decedents' Property

Favorable With Committee Substitute

	Yea	Nay	No Vote	Absentee Yea	Absentee Nay
Bruce Antone	X				
Ben Diamond	X				
Nick DiCeglie	X				
Mike Hill	X				
Thomas Leek	X				
Lawrence McClure	X				
Amy Mercado	X				
Anika Omphroy	X				
Bobby Payne	X				
Ana Maria Rodriguez	X				
Tyler Sirois	X				
Charlie Stone	X				
Geraldine Thompson	X				
Jay Trumbull				X	
Bob Rommel (Chair)	X				
Total Yeas: 14		Total Nays: 0			

HB 505 Amendments

Amendment 391007

Adopted

Appearances:

Edenfield, Martha (General Public) - Waive In Support
The Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section of the Florida Bar
215 So Monroe Street Suite 815
Tallahassee FL 32301
Phone: 850-999-4100

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HB 6033 : Rental Agreements upon Foreclosure

Favorable

	Yea	Nay	No Vote	Absentee Yea	Absentee Nay
Bruce Antone	X				
Ben Diamond	X				
Nick DiCeglie	X				
Mike Hill	X				
Thomas Leek	X				
Lawrence McClure	X				
Amy Mercado	X				
Anika Omphroy	X				
Bobby Payne	X				
Ana Maria Rodriguez	X				
Tyler Sirois	X				
Charlie Stone	X				
Geraldine Thompson	X				
Jay Trumbull				X	
Bob Rommel (Chair)	X				
Total Yeas: 14		Total Nays: 0			

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COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

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Presentation/Workshop/Other Business Appearances:

Consumer Litigation Financing

Bolin, Andrew (Lobbyist) (At Request of Member, Committee or Staff) (Lobbyist Appearance Form Submitted) - Information Only
Florida Justice Reform Institute
1905 E. 7th Ave. Ste 2900
Tampa FL
Phone: 813-848-0600

Consumer Litigation Financing

Alice Vickers (Lobbyist) (At Request of Member, Committee or Staff) - Information Only
Florida Alliance for Consumer Protection
Attorney
623 Beard St.
Tallahassee FL 32303
Phone: 850-556-3121

Consumer Litigation Financing

Eric Schuller (At Request of Member, Committee or Staff) - Information Only
The Alliance for Responsible Consumer Legal Funding
President
712 H Street NE
Washington D.C. 20002
Phone: 815-341-9564

Consumer Litigation Financing

Thurbert E. Baker (At Request of Member, Committee or Staff) - Information Only
Attorney
303 Peachtree Street
Atlanta GA 30308
Phone: 404-527-8480

Lawsuit Lending/ Litigation Financing

Tim Nungesser (Lobbyist) (At Request of Member, Committee or Staff) (Lobbyist Appearance Form Submitted) - Information Only
National Federation of Independent Business
Legislative Director
110 E. Jefferson St.
Tallahassee FL 32301
Phone: 850-445-5361

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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL**

The Subcommittee on Civil Justice Subcommittee

met at 9:00 AM o'clock on 12/12/19 with the following attendance:

<u>Member</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent*</u>	<u>Excused</u>
Chair Rommel, Bob	✓		
Vice Chair Payne, Bobby	✓		
Ranking Member Omphroy, Anika	✓		
Antone, Bruce	✓		
Diamond, Ben	✓		
DiCeglie, Nick	✓		
Hill, Mike	✓		
Leek, Tom	✓		
McClure, Lawrence	✓		
Mercado, Amy	✓		
Rodriguez, Ana Maria	✓		
Sirois, Tyler	✓		
Stone, Charlie	✓		
Thompson, Geraldine	✓		
Trumbull, Jay	✓		

Representative Bob Rommel
Chair

*A member must be excused by Chair or Speaker. A member answering roll call is presumed "present" thereafter.



COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE APPEARANCE RECORD

Please fill out the entire form and submit both copies to the Committee Administrative Assistant at the meeting.

Bill	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bill/PCS/PCB Number: <u>469</u>			
Amendment Barcode Number: _____			

Name: Kelly Mallette

Representing: Florida Apartment Association

Title: _____

Address: 104 W. Jefferson Street

City: Tallahassee State/Zip: FL 32301

Phone Number: (850) 224-3427 Meeting Date: 12/12/15

Committee/Subcommittee: Civil Justice Subcommittee

Presentation/Workshop Topic: Real Estate Conveyances

Registered Lobbyist: YES NO

State Employee: YES NO

- I wish to speak
- Appearing in response to an inquiry for information made by member, committee, or staff
- Appearing in response to subpoena
- Appearing at the written request of the chair
- Judge or elected officer appearing in official capacity
- Lobbyist Appearance form submitted online

(If you are testifying on an amendment, please also indicate your position as a proponent or opponent on the bill as a whole.)

Bill: Proponent Opponent Waive in Support Waive in Opposition Info only

Amendment: Proponent Opponent Waive in Support Waive in Opposition Info only *WFS*



COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE APPEARANCE RECORD

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Bill Amendment

Bill/PCS/PCB Number: 479

Amendment Barcode Number: _____

Name: Alison Dudley

Representing: Judicial Assistants ASC. of FL

Title: Firm ASD Dudley - President

Address: P.O. BOX 428

City: Tall State/Zip: FL 32302

Phone Number: 850/559-1139 Meeting Date: 12/12/12

Committee/Subcommittee: Civil Justice Subcommittee

Presentation/Workshop Topic: Judicial ~~Act~~ Public Records Exemption

Registered Lobbyist: YES NO

State Employee: YES NO

- I wish to speak
- Appearing in response to an inquiry for information made by member, committee, or staff
- Appearing in response to subpoena
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- Lobbyist Appearance form submitted online

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Bill Amendment
Bill/PCS/PCB Number: HB 495
Amendment Number: _____

Name: Aimee Diaz Lyon

Representing: The Business Law Section of the Florida Bar

Title: _____

Address: 119 South Monroe Street, Suite 200

City: Tallahassee State/Zip: FL 32301

Phone Number: 850-205-9000 Meeting Date: _____

Committee/Subcommittee: Civil Justice Subcommittee

Presentation/Workshop Topic: Business Organizations

Registered Lobbyist: YES NO

State Employee: YES NO

- I wish to speak
 Appearing in response to an inquiry for information made by member, committee, or staff
 Appearing in response to subpoena
 Appearing at the written request of the chair
 Judge or elected officer appearing in official capacity
 Lobbyist Appearance form submitted online

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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE APPEARANCE RECORD

Please fill out the entire form and submit two copies to the committee/subcommittee administrative assistant at the meeting.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bill <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment Bill Number: HB 505 : Decedents' Property Amendment Barcode Number: N/A

Name: **Edenfield, Martha**

Representing: **The Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section of the Florida Bar**

Title:

Address: **215 So Monroe Street, Suite 815**

City: **Tallahassee** State/Zip: **FL 32301**

Phone Number: **850-999-4100** Meeting Date: **December 12, 2019 9:00 AM**

Committee/Subcommittee: **Civil Justice Subcommittee**

Presentation/Workshop Topic: **Support the bill**

- Registered Lobbyist
- State Employee
- I Wish To Speak
- Appearing in response to subpoena
- Appearing in response to an inquiry for information made by member, committee or staff
- Appearing at the written request of the chair
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- Lobbyist Appearance Form Submitted

<u>Bill</u>
Waive In Support
<u>Amendment</u>
N/A

w/s



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<input type="checkbox"/> Bill <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment Bill Number: N/A Amendment Barcode Number: N/A

Name: **Bolin, Andrew**

Representing: **Florida Justice Reform Institute**

Title:

Address: **1905 E. 7th Ave., Ste 2900**

City: **Tampa** State/Zip: **FL**

Phone Number: **(813) 848-0600** Meeting Date: **December 12, 2019 9:00 AM**

Committee/Subcommittee: **Civil Justice Subcommittee**

Presentation/Workshop Topic: **Other Business : Consumer Litigation Financing**

- Registered Lobbyist
- State Employee
- I Wish To Speak
- Appearing in response to subpoena
- Appearing in response to an inquiry for information made by member, committee or staff
- Appearing at the written request of the chair
- Judge or elected officer appearing in official capacity
- Lobbyist Appearance Form Submitted

<u>Bill</u>
Info Only
<u>Amendment</u>
N/A



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Bill [] Amendment []
Bill/PCS/PCB Number: _____
Amendment Barcode Number: _____

Name: Alice Vickers

Representing: Florida Alliance for Consumer Protection

Title: Attorney

Address: 623 Beard St.

City: Tallahassee State/Zip: FL 32303

Phone Number: 850 556 3121 Meeting Date: _____

Committee/Subcommittee: Civil Justice

Presentation/Workshop Topic: Workshop on Consumer Litigation Funds

Registered Lobbyist: YES [checked] NO []

State Employee: YES [] NO [checked]

- I wish to speak []
Appearing in response to an inquiry for information made by member, committee, or staff [checked]
Appearing in response to subpoena []
Appearing at the written request of the chair []
Judge or elected officer appearing in official capacity []
Lobbyist Appearance form submitted online []

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Amendment: Proponent [] Opponent [] Waive in Support [] Waive in Opposition [] Info only []



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Bill [] Amendment []
Bill/PCS/PCB Number: _____
Amendment Barcode Number: _____

Name: ERIC SCHULLGA

Representing: ALLIANCE FOR RESPONSIBLE CONSUMER LEGAL FUNDING

Title: PRESIDENT

Address: 712 W ST NE

City: WASHINGTON State/Zip: DC 20002

Phone Number: 815-341-9564 Meeting Date: 12/12/2019

Committee/Subcommittee: CIVIL JUSTICE

Presentation/Workshop Topic: CONSUMER LEGAL FUNDING

Registered Lobbyist: YES [] NO [X]
State Employee: YES [] NO [X]

- I wish to speak
[X] Appearing in response to an inquiry for information made by member, committee, or staff
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Bill <input type="checkbox"/>	Amendment <input type="checkbox"/>
Bill/PCS/PCB Number: _____	
Amendment Barcode Number: _____	

Name: Thurbert E. Baker

Representing: Self

Title: Attorney

Address: 303 Peachtree Street

City: Atlanta, Ga. State/Zip: Ga. 30308

Phone Number: 404-527-8480 Meeting Date: 12/12/19

Committee/Subcommittee: Civil Justice

Presentation/Workshop Topic: Consumer Lawsuit Lending

Registered Lobbyist: YES NO

State Employee: YES NO

- I wish to speak
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Bill Amendment
Bill/PCS/PCB Number: _____
Amendment Barcode Number: _____

Name: Tim Nungesser

Representing: National Federation of Independent Business

Title: Legislative Director

Address: 110 E. Jefferson St.

City: Tallahassee State/Zip: FL 32301

Phone Number: 445-5361 Meeting Date: 12/12/19

Committee/Subcommittee: Civil Justice

Presentation/Workshop Topic: Lawsuit lending / Litigation financing

Registered Lobbyist: YES [checked] NO []

State Employee: YES [] NO [checked]

- I wish to speak []
Appearing in response to an inquiry for information made by member, committee, or staff [checked]
Appearing in response to subpoena []
Appearing at the written request of the chair []
Judge or elected officer appearing in official capacity []
Lobbyist Appearance form submitted online [checked]

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Amendment: Proponent [] Opponent [] Waive in Support [] Waive in Opposition [] Info only []