

**SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT  
AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING ITEMS**

**DEPARTMENT:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DIVISION:** \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>Agenda Date</b> <u>04/8/03</u> <b>Regular</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Consent</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Work Session</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Briefing</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Public Hearing – 1:30</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Public Hearing – 7:00</b> <input type="checkbox"/>

- a) HB 1307, the House version of the **Wireless 911** bill was approved by the Telecommunications Committee on April 1, 2003. It goes to Business Regulation next. Due, at least in part, to contact by Bobby Brantley with Representative Mayfield, the bill was amended in committee to provide for local zoning approval of any leases entered into by the State for location of cell towers. The Senate version (SB1450) was approved by the Public Utilities Committee and is in Comprehensive Planning now.
- b) Senator Saunders's **Health Care** bill (SB 696) which increases the per capita maximum exposure of each county for hospital charges incurred by indigents while outside their home county and requires counties to provide new funding for regional trauma centers, has been approved by the Health, Aging and Long Term Care and Comprehensive Planning Committees. It is currently in Banking and Insurance.
- c) The **Right to Farm** bills (HB1075/SB1660) have been favorably reported out of the Agriculture Committees in both Chambers. The Senate version is currently in Comprehensive Planning. The bill now prohibits rezoning any land with an agricultural tax exemption without the County paying compensation for any loss of value. Cities are not covered by the bill.
- d) Regarding **Lynx**, on March 27, 2003, Representative Gardiner's bill (HB 773) was amended to implement the recent agreement among the parties and then voted out of the Transportation Committee with unanimous approval. The LYNX governing board will consist of the chairs (or designated members) of the Orange, Seminole and Osceola Commissions, the Mayor (or elected designee) of Orlando and the District FDOT representative.
- e) The proposed **Annexation** bill continues to be negotiated. Current structure remains unchanged for internal and external enclaves. A draft has not been provided as of the preparation of this memo.
- f) Senator Constantine's **Wekiva River Protection Area** bill (SB1956) was reported favorably by Comprehensive Planning and temporarily passed by Natural Resources on April 1, 2003. No action has been taken on the House companion (HB1333).

Should any Commissioner desire a copy of the actual bill, please contact us.

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