FHBA Update

April 10, 2017

[HB 0653](http://apps.lobbytools.com/tools/t.cfm?a=bills&b=summary&BillID=43599) Relating to Community Associations (Moraitis)
**Actions**
HOUSE Favorable with CS by Civil Justice & Claims Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 4 Nays
FHBA Issue: Allowing condo bulk buyers without assuming liability of developers remains intact. The issue of mandatory HOA reserves was modified to reflect FHBA language.

[SB 0744](http://apps.lobbytools.com/tools/t.cfm?a=bills&b=summary&BillID=43648) Relating to Community Associations (Passidomo)
**Actions**
SENATE Favorable with CS by Regulated Industries; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays
FHBA Issue: Allowing condo bulk buyers without assuming liability of developers remains intact. The provisions requiring HOA reserves was removed from the bill.

[SB 0860](http://apps.lobbytools.com/tools/t.cfm?a=bills&b=summary&BillID=43966) Relating to Florida Building Code (Brandes)
**Actions**
SENATE Favorable with CS by Regulated Industries; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays
FHBA Issue: In spite of opposing testimony, provisions revising the building code process remained. The bill also implements recommendations from the Construction Workforce Task Force for increasing the number of building officials and inspectors.

[HB 0901](http://apps.lobbytools.com/tools/t.cfm?a=bills&b=summary&BillID=44580) Relating to Florida Building Commission (McClain)
**Actions**
HOUSE Favorable with CS by Careers & Competition Subcommittee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays
FHBA Issue: The Committee amended the bill to provide for a 5 year code cycle based on ICC and made significant revisions to the Florida Building Commission membership lowering their number from 27 to 11. The revised membership provides for a residential contractor who builds 100 or more homes per year and a residential contractor who builds 20 or few homes per year.

[HB 0909](http://apps.lobbytools.com/tools/t.cfm?a=bills&b=summary&BillID=44612) Relating to Building Code Administrators and Inspectors (Goodson)
**Actions**
HOUSE Favorable by Oversight, Transparency & Administration Subcommittee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays
FHBA Issue: The bill implements recommendations from the Construction Workforce Task Force for increasing the number of building officials and inspectors.

[HB 1107](http://apps.lobbytools.com/tools/t.cfm?a=bills&b=summary&BillID=45060) Relating to Pub. Rec./Workers’ Compensation (Albritton)
**Actions**
HOUSE Favorable by Oversight, Transparency & Administration Subcommittee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays
FHBA Issue: Shields public records relating to injured workers from lawyers advocacy. It is believed this will reduce worker’s compensation suits.

[HB 1271](http://apps.lobbytools.com/tools/t.cfm?a=bills&b=summary&BillID=45457) Relating to Construction Defect Claims (Trumbull)
**Actions**
HOUSE Favorable with CS by Civil Justice & Claims Subcommittee; 14 Yeas, 0 Nays
FHBA Issue: Provides various changes to the process to ensure the consumer is aware that the contractor offered to repair prior to a suit being filed.

[SB 1312](http://apps.lobbytools.com/tools/t.cfm?a=bills&b=summary&BillID=45047) Relating to Construction (Perry)
**Actions**
SENATE Favorable by Communications, Energy, and Public Utilities; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays
SENATE Now in Community Affairs
FHBA Issue: The bill continues to implement recommendations of the Construction Industry Workforce Task Group and makes various small code changes.

[SB 0398](http://apps.lobbytools.com/tools/t.cfm?a=bills&b=summary&BillID=43042) Relating to Estoppel Certificates (Passidomo)
**Actions**
SENATE Favorable with CS by Rules; 11 Yeas, 1 Nay
**Amendments Filed**
FHBA Issue: The bill continues to cap estopple fees, including a sliding scale for multiple lots.

[SB 0514](http://apps.lobbytools.com/tools/t.cfm?a=bills&b=summary&BillID=43265) Relating to Fees of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation (Stargel)
**Actions**
SENATE Favorable by Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; 9 Yeas, 0 Nays
SENATE Now in Appropriations
FHBA Issue: The bill reduces license delinquency fee in addition to building code surcharge (3% to 2 1/2%)

[HB 0741](http://apps.lobbytools.com/tools/t.cfm?a=bills&b=summary&BillID=43898) Relating to Department of Business and Professional Regulation Fees (Trumbull)
**Actions**
HOUSE Favorable by Commerce Committee; 29 Yeas, 0 Nays
HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading
FHBA Issue: The bill reduces license delinquency fee in addition to building code surcharge (3% to 2 1/2%).

[HB 1021](http://apps.lobbytools.com/tools/t.cfm?a=bills&b=summary&BillID=44815) Relating to Construction (Avila)
**Actions**
HOUSE Favorable with CS by Appropriations Committee; 23 Yeas, 0 Nays
FHBA Issue: The bill continues to implement recommendations of the Construction Industry Workforce Task Group and makes various small code changes.