



Florida Housing Coalition – Sadowski Affiliates Webinar

Update on CS for SB 1500

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CS for SB 1500 (SB 1500): “Homeless Bill”

Senator Latvala



- SB 1500 is of particular interest to:
 - SHIP Administrators;
 - Homeless Providers;
 - Public Housing Authorities.



SB 1500: “Homeless Bill”

What does it mean to SHIP and Homeless Providers?

- Bar Code: 813134
- FS 420.9075 – Local Housing Assistance Plans (LHAP); Partnerships
 - Lead Agencies CoCs added to partnership in SHIP Program
 - SHIP communities are encouraged to develop a strategy within the LHAP which provides program funds for reducing homelessness
 - Up to 25% can be used for temporary rental assistance
 - Does NOT change the provision that at least 65% of SHIP funding is be used for home ownership activities



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What does it mean for SHIP?

- Bar Code: 813134
- FS 420.9072 – SHIP Program
- A county or an eligible municipality may not expend its portion of the local housing distribution to provide ongoing rent subsidies, except for:
 - (a) Security and utility deposit assistance.
 - (b) Eviction prevention not to exceed 6 months’ rent.
 - (c) A rent subsidy program for very-low-income households with at least one adult who is a person with special needs as defined in s. 420.0004 or homeless as defined in s. 420.621. The period of rental assistance may not exceed 12 months for any eligible household.



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What does it mean for SHIP?

- SHIP programs are being encouraged in many ways to address homelessness and to assist with the Rapid Rehousing model (discussed on next slide)



Making the SHIFT to Rapid Rehousing

- Newly created statutory section 420.6265
- Legislative recognition that this alternative approach to the system of emergency shelter or transitional housing shortens the time that people remain homeless and is more cost effective
- Quickly move into permanent housing with short term assistance



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What does it mean for Homeless Providers?

- Bar Code: 813134
- Continuation of funding and Training and TA for Lead Agencies
- FS 420.9073 – Local Housing Distributions
 - Requires 4% of total amount of local housing trust fund to be distributed to Dept. of Children and Families, and Dept. of Economic Opportunity
 - DCF – Receives 95% to provide operating funds and other support to designated lead agency in each continuum of care
 - DEO – Receives 5% to provide training and technical assistance to lead agencies receiving operating funds and other support (provided by the Florida Housing Coalition)



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What does it mean to SAIL?

- Bar Code: 893334
- FS 420.5087 – State Apartment Incentive Loan Program
 - Set aside for persons who are homeless tenant group increases from not less than 5 percent to at least 10 percent;
 - Cap of ‘not more than 10 percent’ is replaced with ‘at least 10 percent;’
 - At least 10 percent of SAIL funds reserved for all four of the five tenant groups (b-e):
 - (a) Commercial fishing workers and farmworkers;
 - (b) Families;
 - (c) Persons who are homeless;
 - (d) Persons with special needs;
 - (e) Elderly persons



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What does it mean to Public Housing Authorities?

- Bar Code- 577610
- FS 421.04 – Creation of Housing Authorities
- FS 421.281 – Consolidated Housing Authorities
 - Merging housing authorities
 - Creation of Consolidated Housing Authority
 - Area of Operation Defined
 - Powers and Duties Defined



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What does it mean to the Florida Keys?

- Bar Code- 847062
- FS 420.57 – Affordable Housing; the Florida Keys
 - FHFC may provide loans to developers for construction or rehab of workforce housing in the Florida Key area of critical state concern.



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National Housing Trust Fund

- Newly created Section 420.9089
 - Finding that more funding for housing to assist the homeless is needed.
 - Encourages the state to propose an allocation plan that includes strategies to reduce homelessness
 - in addition to strategies within the SAIL program.



Next Steps For SB 1500

- SB 1500 has passed through these two of its three committees:
 - Children, Families, and Elder Affairs (CF)
 - Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development (ATD)
 - Headed to:
 - Full Appropriations Committee (AP)
- To become law, SB 1500 has to pass in all its Committees and have an identical companion bill in the House.



What's next for the Sadowski Trust Funds?

- Nothing new on the appropriations front for the trust funds since our last Sadowski Affiliates webinar
- Except that it is commonly reported now that the legislature is likely to need a special session to pass the Budget Bill- a/k/a the Appropriations Act– and this is where the trusts funds actually get appropriated for housing.

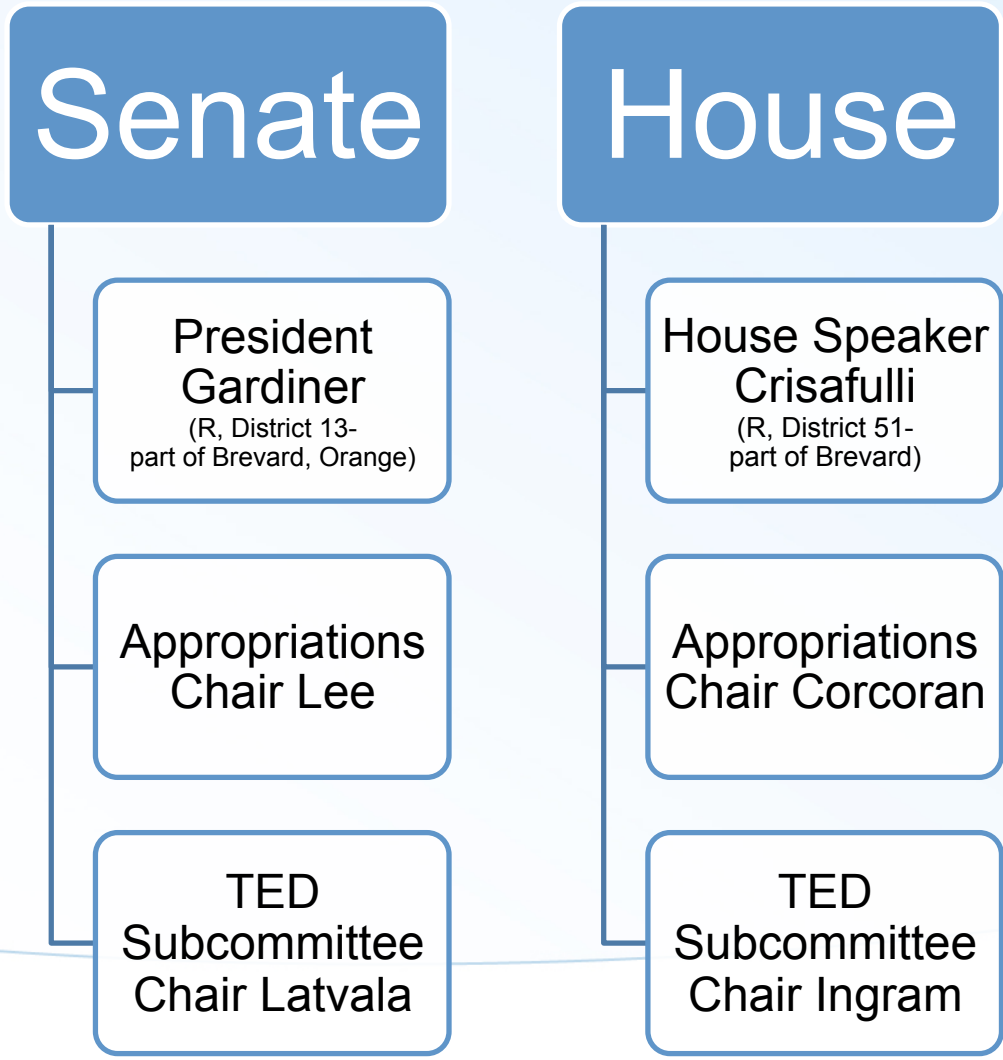


Conferees

- At some point, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House will announce the conferees who will negotiate the differences between the House and Senate budgets to arrive at a Budget Bill that is the same in both Houses (House and Senate) so that it can become law.



Organizational Chart



Proposed Housing Appropriations

FY 15-16 Proposed Housing Appropriations (3-31-15)

	SENATE	HOUSE
SAIL	\$ 102,400,000	\$ 37,450,000
SHIP	\$ 153,600,000	\$ 84,070,000
TOTAL HOUSING	\$ 256,000,000	\$ 121,520,000
SHTF SWEEP	\$ 0	\$ 45,000,000
LGHTF SWEEP	\$ 0	\$ 105,000,000
TOTAL SWEEP	\$ 0	\$ 150,000,000

Note: House SHIP Appropriation includes \$4 million for homeless, of which \$3.8 million to DCF and \$0.2 million to DEO for training and technical assistance





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Questions & Answers

- **Please Phone the Homeless Hotline or send us an email if you have any questions about the Homeless Bill, Rapid Rehousing, or any other questions related to homelessness or the connection between the SHIP program and any other programs you may be administering and homelessness.**
- **The Hotline Assistance is provided by the Florida Housing Coalition pursuant to its contract with DEO.**

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