

PCCLB Draft Bill Gaps:

	Diamond	Brandes/Rouson (10/11/17)
1. Maintains independence of the board	No	No
2. Makes board dependent to the BCC	Yes	Yes
3. Places staff under the BCC/County	Yes	Yes
4. Subjects the board to periodic audits	Yes	Yes
5. Requires annual report on activities and finances to local governments	Yes	Yes
6. Requires board members to submit annual disclosure of financial interests	Yes	Yes
7. Maintains countywide jurisdiction to regulate local licensure and discipline of local contractors	Yes	Yes ¹
8. Requires the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) to appoint members instead of the Chairman	Yes	Yes
9. Revises membership and composition of the board	Yes—9 members	Yes—15 members
10. Provides flexibility in candidate pool for potential board members	Yes	Yes
11. Provides that the BCC may remove any member for cause	No	Yes
12. Includes Pinellas County Building Official on board	Yes	Yes ¹
13. Includes Pinellas County Consumer Protection representative on board	No	Yes ²
14. Establishes term limits	Yes—4 year terms, max 2 successive terms (except permanent members)	Yes—2 year terms, max 2 successive terms (no permanent members)
15. Requires funding from the BCC to the PCCLB for operations and staff	No	Yes
16. Maintains biennial transfers of uncommitted and unexpended funds	No	Yes
17. Allows for dissolution of the board	No	Yes
18. Authorizes the board to establish reasonable fees	Yes	Yes ⁴
19. Provides state funding to support operations of the board during transition period to the County	No	Yes ³

Questions to be considered:

- Audits by the Office of the Inspector General or by certified auditor selected by the BCC?
- Number of board members (9 or 15)?
- Inclusion of the Pinellas County Building Official?
- Inclusion of the Pinellas County Consumer Protection Representative?
- Number of years for 1 term (4 or 2 years)?
 - Governmental officials permanent members?
- Funding for the PCCLB provided by the Board of County Commissioners?
- Continuance of the biennial transfers of uncommitted and unexpended funds?
- Potential dissolution of the board by referendum?
- State funding for 3 years?

¹ Provision allows for either the County Building Official or a Fire Marshal.

² May create practical Sunshine Law issues if Pinellas County Building Official and Consumer Protection representative are both appointed.

³ Provides for the “eligibility” of state funding but does not guarantee state funding.