

Pinellas Construction Licensing Board Legislation Comparison

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

¹ Maintained elsewhere in special act provisions not modified by this bill (Section 10, Section 23, and Section 24).

² Provision allows for either the County Building Official or a Fire Marshal.

³ May create practical Sunshine Law issues if Pinellas County Building Official and Consumer Protection representative are both appointed.

⁴ Maintained elsewhere in special act provisions not modified by this bill (Section 13 and Section 21).

⁵ Provides for the “eligibility” of state funding but does not guarantee state funding.