

MEETING OF THE GOVERNOR AND CABINET
AS HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY
AND MOTOR VEHICLES

December 9, 2014

AGENDA

<http://www.flhsmv.gov/agenda/2014/120914Agenda.pdf>

1. Respectfully submit the Minutes for the March 18, 2014 Cabinet Meeting.

Attachment #1.
Recommend Approval.

2. Respectfully submit the 2010 – 2014 Mid-Term Report with Contracts, Agreements and Purchases over \$100,000 for Approval.

Attachment #2.
Recommend Approval.

P R O C E E D I N G S

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3 GOVERNOR SCOTT: Good morning. Welcome to the
4 March 18, 2014, Cabinet meeting in the wonderful,
5 great State of Florida.

6 At this time I'd like to welcome John Rollyson
7 of Marianna, who is pastor at Eastside Baptist
8 Church and also the chaplain at Hurlburt Field Air
9 Force Base to lead us in the invocation. Please
10 remain standing after the invocation for the pledge
11 of allegiance which will be led by cadets from
12 Florida A & M University's Army ROTC program.

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14 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE SAID.

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20 **HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES**

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22 GOVERNOR SCOTT: Now I'd like to recognize
23 Executive Director Julie Jones with the Department
24 of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to present her
25 agenda.

1 Good morning.

2 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JONES: Good morning,
3 Governor and Cabinet members.

4 In keeping with the theme --

5 GOVERNOR SCOTT: Go Gators?

6 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JONES: Well, no,
7 presentations.

8 I'd like to take the opportunity to recognize
9 my quarterly shining stars, if you guys could come
10 forward, please.

11 Carolyn Nixon with our Learning and
12 Development Department played an essential role in
13 the renovation of the Kirkman Building computer
14 lab. Her hands-on participation helped foster and
15 produce a learning environment for both students
16 and our trainers.

17 Elaine Cooper with Work Force Services is
18 recognized for her leadership in the deployment of
19 the managing employee performance initiative in the
20 Department in multiple state agencies. She worked
21 closely with DMS to do training across every state
22 agency.

23 Eva Adams with Motor Services was instrumental
24 in reducing uniform traffic citation and DUI
25 citation printing costs by five percent over our

1 next three-year contract.

2 Jennifer Meaney is with the Florida Highway
3 Patrol. Jennifer proactively created a weekly pill
4 mill report.

5 General, this is how we contributed to your
6 initiative.

7 She took patrol offense arrests and
8 intelligence reports every day, documented her
9 findings, did an analysis looking for
10 traffic-related activities and sent this
11 information back to our criminal investigations
12 unit.

13 Lastly, we have Linda Knight and Aaron Chern
14 with the communications office. Linda and Erin
15 were charged with the creation of the Florida Net
16 website, a communications portal for Florida's
17 public safety community to discuss issues
18 associated with public safety broadband, which is
19 an initiative that the Governor has put me in
20 charge of.

21 And I missed somebody, Deepa Vasudevan with
22 motorist services. She did an outstanding job
23 coordinating the implementation of legislation that
24 passed in 2012 affecting recreational dealers.

25 I take -- I encourage our supervisors to give

1 awards every day as often as they can, our Above
2 and Beyond the Call of Duty awards, our ABC's. And
3 then I get those and quarterly do Shining Star
4 Awards, and these are the best of our best. And so
5 every quarter the Governor has asked me to bring
6 these to you. So with that, these are our Shining
7 Star Awards for this quarter.

8 (APPLAUSE).

9 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JONES: Commissioner
10 Putnam, what tag is number 1, specialty tag selling
11 in the State?

12 COMMISSIONER PUTNAM: Oh, it's -- Oh, it's the
13 Gators.

14 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JONES: It's the Gators,
15 okay, just in keeping with the theme

16 GOVERNOR SCOTT: In contrast with the rest of
17 the Cabinet, I like every --

18 CFO ATWATER: Oh, boy. Oh, yeah. Oh, please.

19 COMMISSIONER PUTNAM: Wrong answer.

20 CFO ATWATER: Oh, my gosh.

21 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JONES: I think, Governor,
22 that's your job. You have to --

23 GOVERNOR SCOTT: That's right.

24 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JONES: That's right.

25 Governor, I have two agenda items for your

1 consideration this morning. I respectfully request
2 approval for the February 6th Cabinet meeting
3 minutes.

4 GOVERNOR SCOTT: Is there a motion to approve?

5 ATTORNEY GENERAL BONDI: So moved.

6 GOVERNOR SCOTT: Is there a second?

7 CFO ATWATER: Second.

8 GOVERNOR SCOTT: Moved and seconded, show the
9 minutes approved without objection.

10 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JONES: Item Number 2, we
11 respectfully request approval to publish a notice
12 of proposed rulemaking to amend Rule Chapter 15A-1,
13 driver licenses. This amendment updates and
14 clarifies procedures, repeals language that's
15 codified in statute and modifies the written driver
16 license exam and scoring criteria.

17 The new written exam has 50 questions with a
18 required passing score of 80%. As a public safety
19 agency, we've noted that the exam needed to be
20 updated and strengthened so new drivers understand
21 the responsibilities and understand how to drive
22 safely on our roads. We relied on subject matter
23 experts from the American Association of Motor
24 Vehicle Administrators for the renewed content, and
25 then also incorporated the road signs exam into the

1 new test. The Department seeks approval to file
2 final adoption if no request for hearing has been
3 received as a function of this notice.

4 GOVERNOR SCOTT: Commissioner, do you have a
5 question?

6 COMMISSIONER PUTNAM: The effect of -- I'm all
7 for raising the standard, I'm all for raising the
8 passing score. What's the net effect though of
9 combining with signs with the rules of the road?
10 Because if you fell short in the past, you would
11 have known -- you know, you could have passed half
12 and come back and taken the other half but you
13 would have known where your weaknesses are. If you
14 fall short on this one, having them merged, what
15 are we accomplishing by having a single longer test
16 as opposed to the two that were more subject matter
17 oriented.

18 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JONES: The first purpose
19 for redoing the test was to increase the number of
20 test questions that we have. Over the years,
21 legislators have come to the Department and
22 offered legislation, and I have updated the test
23 questions in lieu of legislation for pedestrian
24 safety, the texting and driving, so we have a
25 larger number of questions. And in increasing the

1 number of subject matters that we expect people to
2 know and understand, we've increased the number of
3 test questions to cover more areas.

4 Florida is one of seven states that still
5 keeps the two tests separate. In trying to get our
6 youngsters learning and focusing on a comprehensive
7 test, I don't think it's going to -- I don't think
8 we're going to hurt our young students by doing
9 this.

10 The other concern I have -- there's a direct
11 correlation with how well you score on your first
12 driver test and how many crashes you have
13 subsequent to that in your early driving stages.
14 So we want to encourage good driving, and currently
15 the national standard, the average for tests being
16 passed by young drivers is 79%, so bringing it to
17 80 is consistent with the rest of the nation. We
18 raise the bar a little bit go, but I think it's
19 going to be good for our youngsters.

20 GOVERNOR SCOTT: All right. Is there a motion
21 to approve?

22 ATTORNEY GENERAL BONDI: So move.

23 GOVERNOR SCOTT: Is there a second?

24 CFO ATWATER: Second.

25 GOVERNOR SCOTT: Any comments or objections?

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(NO RESPONSE) .

GOVERNOR SCOTT: Hearing none, the motion carries.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JONES: Thank you.

GOVERNOR SCOTT: Thanks, Julie.

Mid-Term Report: 2010 — 2014



Providing Highway Safety and Security Through
Excellence In Service, Education, and Enforcement

Terry L. Rhodes, Executive Director

	2010	2014
Total Department Employees	4,467	4,414
Public Safety		
Traffic Fatalities	2,444	2,402
Hours Spent on Preventive Patrol	1,144,952	1,207,334
Written Warnings	371,482	354,918
Motorists Assisted	288,369	177,582
Highway Safety Education Hours	9,058	11,907
Troopers on the Road	1,685	1,974
Service Delivery		
Licensed Drivers	15,507,284	15,417,032
Registered Vehicles and Vessels	15,498,661	16,585,306
Titles Issued	5,104,919	5,179,179
Electronic Lien & Title Transactions	760,834	1,887,608
Motor Vehicle and Mobile Home Business Licenses Issued	12,844	12,879
Tax Collector Offices Offering Driver License Services	129 in 46 counties	176 in 59 counties
Real ID Compliant Credentials	22%	66%

Purchases Over \$100,000

Description	Vendor	Total Contract Price
Access to the Commercial Driver License Information System to allow exchange of commercial driver information between jurisdictions. Single Source; PO# AA044C; one year.	American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators Arlington, VA	\$1,149,711
Purchase of 250 Glock 37 Handguns for Florida Highway Patrol. Competitive; ITB# 005-15; PO# AB1739.	GT Distributors of Georgia, Inc. Rossville, GA	\$106,000
Lodging and meals for Florida Highway Patrol recruits and in-service personnel during training. Blanket purchase with government entity; PO# AA6201; one year.	Tallahassee Community College Tallahassee, FL	\$1,270,000
Purchase of software upgrade and one year of maintenance to support Rapid ID scanners. Single Source; PO# AA780B.	DataWorks Plus, LLC Greenville, SC	\$301,418
Access to National Motor Vehicle Title Information System for instant verification of paper title with electronic data from state that issued title. Single Source; Order No. PO# 671295; one year.	American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators Arlington, VA	\$176,521
Purchase of two simulators to improve driving skills in Law Enforcement driving environments. Competitive; ITB 004-15; Order No. PO# AB4ADF.	FAAC Incorporated Ann Arbor, MI	\$196,500