CHAPTER-2024-6

Senate Bill No. 82

An act relating to the Florida Statutes; amending ss. 11.40, 11.45, 14.20195, 14.36, 16.615, 17.61, 20.04, 20.166, 20.181, 20.605, 45.031, 69.041, 110.112, 112.63, 112.665, 119.071, 120.80, 125.045, 155.40, 159.8081, 159.8083, 159.809, 159.81, 161.142, 161.54, 163.3164, 163.3221, 163.3251, 163.3756, 163.503, 163.5055, 163.506, 163.508, 163.511, 163.512, 166.021, 171.204, 186.504, 189.012, 190.009, 190.047, 191.009, 191.015, 201.15, 212.08, 212.096, 212.097, 212.098, 213.053, 215.5588, 216.292, 218.32, 218.37, 218.411, 220.03, 220.153, 220.183, 220.1895, 220.191, 222.15, 252.85, 253.025, 255.099, 258.501, 259.042, 267.0625, 288.005, 288.061, 288.075, 288.1201, 288.1226, 288.8012, 288.8014, 288.9604, 288.9610, 288.987, 288.9961, 290.004, 290.0065, 290.00729, 290.042, 290.0455, 290.0491, 290.06561, 311.07, 311.09, 311.10, 311.101, 311.105, 311.11, 311.22, 320.08058, 322.142, 327.803, 331.3051, 331.3081, 331.324, 332.115, 334.065, 334.066, 339.135, 339.175, 339.2821, 342.201, 369.303, 369.318, 369.321, 369.322, 369.323, 369.324, 373.199, 373.4149, 373.453, 373.461, 375.021, 377.809, 378.411, 379.2291, 380.031, 380.093, 381.0086, 397.754, 403.0752, 403.0891, 403.507, 403.508, 403.524, 403.526, 403.527, 403.757, 403.941, 403.9411, 403.973, 404.0617, 409.1451, 409.2576, 409.25996, 409.508, 409.509, 410.502, 413.80, 413.801, 414.24, 414.40, 420.0004, 420.0005, 420.0006, 420.101, 420.111, 420.36, 420.424, 420.503, 420.504, 420.506, 420.507, 420.511, 420.602, 420.606, 420.609, 420.622, 420.631, 420.635, 421.001, 422.001, 423.001, 427.012, 440.12, 440.15, 440.381, 443.012, 443.036, 443.041, 443.051, 443.071, 443.101, 443.111, 443.1113, 443.1115, 443.1116, 443.1118, 443.1215, 443.1216, 443.1217, 443.131, 443.1312, 443.1313, 443.1315, 443.1316, 443.1317, 443.141, 443.151, 443.163, 443.171, 443.1715, 443.17161, 443.181, 443.191, 443.211, 443.221, 445.002, 445.003, 445.004, 445.009, 445.016, 445.024, 445.0325, 445.038, 445.045, 445.056, 445.06, 445.07, 446.41, 446.53, 446.71, 448.09, 448.095, 448.109, 448.110, 450.161, 450.191, 450.261, 450.31, 468.529, 551.104, 553.79, 570.71, 624.5105, 627.42397, 641.514, 692.203, 692.204, 720.403, 720.404, 720.406, 943.0311, 944.801, 945.10, 985.601, 1001.02, 1001.03, 1001.706, 1002.20, 1002.395, 1002.895, 1003.4156, 1003.491, 1003.493, 1004.015, 1004.46, 1008.39, 1008.40, 1008.41, 1011.76, 1011.80, and 1011.802, F.S., to conform to section 147 of chapter 2023-173, Laws of Florida, which directs the Division of Law Revision to prepare a reviser's bill for the 2024 Regular Session of the Legislature to replace references to the terms "Department of Economic Opportunity" and "Secretary of Economic Opportunity," wherever they occur in the Florida Statutes, with

the terms "Department of Commerce" and "Secretary of Commerce," respectively; providing effective dates.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 17. Subsection (10) of section 120.80, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

120.80 Exceptions and special requirements; agencies. —

(10) DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY.

- (a) Notwithstanding s. 120.54, the rulemaking provisions of this chapter do not apply to reemployment assistance appeals referees.
- (b) Notwithstanding s. 120.54(5), the uniform rules of procedure do not apply to appeal proceedings conducted under chapter 443 by the Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission, special deputies, or reemployment assistance appeals referees.
- (c) Notwithstanding s. 120.57(1)(a), hearings under chapter 443 may not be conducted by an administrative law judge assigned by the division, but instead shall be conducted by the Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission in reemployment assistance appeals, reemployment assistance appeals referees, and the Department of Commerce Economic Opportunity or its special deputies under s. 443.141.

Section 258. Except as otherwise provided, this act shall take effect on the 60th day after adjournment sine die of the session of the Legislature in which enacted.

Approved by the Governor February 15, 2024.

Filed in Office Secretary of State February 15, 2024.