

Dear Editor:

As Florida's Business Advocate, the Florida Chamber would like to commend Representative Ellyn Bogdanoff and the Florida House of Representatives for working this session to provide businesses with proper access to court services.

For years, clerks have operated independently with little oversight of how fees are spent and taxpayer dollars are allocated. In the midst of the current budget shortfall, HB 1121 will improve the transparency of the system and hold our clerks accountable to Florida's taxpayers. The bill also calls for an independent study of the court and clerk system before considering any transfers of job functions. This step ensures that no changes are made hastily and that there is a focus on government efficiency.

The business community depends on an efficient and reliable court system. As important decisions are made this session, the Florida Chamber encourages legislators to support measures to streamline our courts and provide them with adequate funding.

Sincerely,

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