

1 A proposal to revise
2 ARTICLE IV, s. 6, Fla. Const.; providing that
3 an entity purportedly within an executive
4 department which is not subject to the direct
5 supervision of the agency head is a department;
6 providing that the amendment does not affect
7 the status of such entities to issue revenue
8 bonds before a specified date; creating ARTICLE
9 IV, s. 14, Fla. Const.; creating a State Board
10 of Agriculture; providing for the board to
11 appoint the Commissioner of Agriculture;
12 creating ARTICLE XII, s. 23, Fla. Const.;
13 providing that the amendment does not affect
14 the status of such entities in existence on the
15 effective date of the adoption of the
16 amendment.

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18 It is proposed by the Florida Constitution Revision Commission
19 that:

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21 Section 1. Section 6 of Article IV of the Florida
22 Constitution is revised by amending that section to read:

23 ARTICLE IV
24 EXECUTIVE

25 SECTION 6. Executive departments.--

26 (a) All functions of the executive branch of state
27 government shall be allotted among not more than twenty-five
28 departments, exclusive of those specifically provided for or
29 authorized in this constitution. Unless otherwise provided in
30 this constitution, the administration of each department,
31 ~~unless otherwise provided in this constitution,~~ shall be

1 placed by law under the direct supervision of the governor,
 2 the lieutenant governor, the governor and cabinet, a cabinet
 3 member, or an officer or board appointed by and serving at the
 4 pleasure of the governor. Any entity purportedly within a
 5 department which is not subject to the direct supervision of
 6 the head of that department is itself a department. However,
 7 direct supervision as a determinate factor of department
 8 classification shall not affect the status of any entity
 9 authorized by the Constitution to issue revenue bonds before
 10 July 1, 1999. ~~except:~~

11 (b)~~(a)~~ When provided by law, confirmation by the
 12 senate or the approval of three members of the cabinet shall
 13 be required for appointment to or removal from any designated
 14 statutory office.

15 (c)~~(b)~~ Boards authorized to grant and revoke licenses
 16 to engage in regulated occupations shall be assigned to
 17 appropriate departments and their members appointed for fixed
 18 terms, subject to removal only for cause.

19 Section 2. Section 14 of Article IV of the Florida
 20 Constitution is created to read:

21 ARTICLE IV

22 EXECUTIVE

23 SECTION 14. State board of agriculture.--The state
 24 board of agriculture shall be a body corporate and have such
 25 duties as are provided by law. The state board of agriculture
 26 shall consist of seven members appointed by the governor to
 27 staggered 4-year terms, subject to confirmation by the senate.
 28 The state board of agriculture shall appoint the commissioner
 29 of agriculture.

30 Section 3. Section 23 of Article XII of the Florida
 31 Constitution is created to read:

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ARTICLE XII

SCHEDULE

SECTION 23. The amendment to Article IV, Section 6
shall not affect the status of any entity created by the
legislature which is in existence on the effective date of the
adoption of such amendment until action by the legislature
before July 1, 1999.