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Secretary Ken Detzner
Secretary of State
Florida Department of State
R.A. Gray Building
500 S. Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Dear Secretary Detzner:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Florida, under the provisions of Article III, Section 8, of the Constitution of Florida, I do hereby veto and transmit my objections to Committee Substitute for House Bill 7099, enacted during the 114th Session of the Legislature of Florida, since statehood in 1845, during the Regular Session of 2012 and entitled:

An act relating to Tax Administration...

Although I support many provisions in the bill related to improvements to general tax administration, there is one provision which I oppose. The bill creates and codifies in law a recurring monthly distribution of sales and use taxes to the Florida Institute of Technology (FIT). While the stated purpose is to provide funding to operate a space exploration research institute at FIT, the language was never vetted through an appropriations committee.

For the reasons stated above, I withhold my approval of Committee Substitute for House Bill 7099, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Scott".

Rick Scott
Governor