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MEDIA EVENT: Florida House to Hold 3rd Annual Pre-Session Press Information Session Medicaid Financial Accountability Workshop, 2012-2013 Budget Briefing, MyDistrictBuilder Tutorial

Tallahassee—The Florida House of Representatives will host its third annual pre-session press information session on Thursday, November 3, 2011, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. All media are invited to attend to learn about issues expected to be addressed during the upcoming legislative session. Members of the media will have access to the top substantive experts among the House's senior staff and will have the opportunity to ask questions, for informational purposes, related to complex issues of public policy.

Members of the media wishing to attend the information session should contact Ryan Duffy at (850) 487-8148 or via Ryan.Duffy@MyFloridaHouse.gov. Please see the agenda below for a schedule of topics.

Pre-Session Press Information Session

Date: Thursday, November 3, 2011

Time: 8:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. Location: The Capitol, Room 333

Agenda

8:00 a.m. – **8:45 a.m.**: Budget briefing presented by JoAnne Leznoff, staff director for the House Appropriations Committee. Additionally, House Economist Dr. Don Langston, staff director for the House Finance and Tax Committee, will be available during the question and answer portion of this section.

8:45 a.m. – **9:30** a.m.: Higher Education overview presented by Dr. Theresa Klebacha, staff director for the House Education Committee. The overview will include background information on higher education delivery systems and recent K-20 education governance changes.

9:30 a.m. – **10:15 a.m.:** Medicaid financial accountability workshop presented by Carol Gormley, staff director for the House Health and Human Services Committee. The workshop will include an interactive analysis of the Medicaid financial accountability measures included in legislation passed by the Florida Legislature during the 2011 Legislative Session.

10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.: Break

10:30 a.m. – **11:15 a.m.:** Economic affairs update presented by Teresa Tinker, staff director for the House Economic Affairs Committee and Teddi Creamer, policy chief for the House Business and Consumer Affairs Subcommittee. The economic affairs update will include a summary of business issues discussed during the 2011 Legislative Session including, deregulation of businesses and professions, unemployment compensation reform and economic development reorganization measures.

11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.: Redistricting overview presented by Alex Kelly, staff director for the House Redistricting Committee. The update will include a summary of the process by which

committees and subcommittees are reviewing public input and as well as an overview of the data tools Members will utilize as they examine proposed maps.

My District Builder Tutorial

Following the Press Information Session, from 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., professional staff from the House Redistricting Committee will be available for individual MyDistrictBuilder tutorials. Members of the media interested in participating in an individual tutorial should contact Ryan Duffy at (850) 487-8148 or via Ryan.Duffy@MyFloridaHouse.gov.

Please note that Wi-Fi will be available during the information session. For those who are unable to attend in person, briefing materials will be available for download on the House of Representatives Website, www.MyFloridaHouse.gov and via DVD.