June 27, 2019

Secretary Laurel Lee  
Secretary of State  
R.A. Gray Building  
500 South Bronough Street  
Tallahassee, Florida  32399

Dear Secretary Lee:

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 HB 7067 and HB 7073, enacted during the 121st Session of the Legislature of Florida, during the Regular Session of 2019 and entitled:

An act relating to Registration Fees; and An act relating to Permit and Inspection fees...

The Legislature passed Committee Substitute for House Bill 19 Prescription Drug Importation Programs and Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for House Bill 23 Telehealth to provide innovative options to Floridians to lower rising health care costs. These pieces of legislation provide a framework for Floridians to access more affordable prescription medication and to utilize the services of physicians via a cheaper and more convenient medium. With this in mind, the imposition of fees would undercut these efforts and would likely make administering the programs more cumbersome. For the reason stated above, I withhold my approval of these two House Bills, and do hereby veto the same.

Sincerely,

Ron DeSantis  
Governor