

# STATE OF FLORIDA

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 13-314

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Florida, by constitutional amendment, have declared that a public office is a public trust and the people have a right to secure and sustain that trust against abuse; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida Commission on Ethics has been created to assure that public officers and employees do not abuse the trust placed in them; and

WHEREAS, Donna Storter-Long, is at all times material hereto a member of the Board of County Commissioners for Glades County, and as such was subject to the provisions of the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, Part III of Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, and subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission on Ethics; and

WHEREAS, in the Final Order and Public Report No. COE 13-109 rendered on September 18, 2013, the Commission on Ethics concluded that Donna Storter-Long violated section 112.3143(3)(a), Florida Statutes, by voting on a September 11, 2012, measure to rank/select a contractor that inured to the special private gain or loss of her son and also violated section 112.3143(3)(a), Florida Statutes, by voting on a September 11, 2012, measure to authorize the negotiation of a contract that inured to the special private gain or loss of her son; and

WHEREAS, the Governor accepts the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the Commission on Ethics Final Order and Public Report No. COE 13-109.

NOW THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, in obedience to my constitutional duty to take care that the laws be faithfully executed, and pursuant to the

Constitution and laws of the State of Florida, issue this Executive Order, effective immediately, declaring that:


1. Donna Storter-Long violated section 112.3143(3)(a), Florida Statutes, by voting on a September 11, 2012, measure to rank/select a contractor that inured to the special private gain or loss of her son and also violated section 112.3143(3)(a), Florida Statutes, by voting on a September 11, 2012, measure to authorize the negotiation of a contract that inured to the special private gain or loss of her son.

2. A civil penalty in the amount of \$4,000.00 is hereby imposed against Donna Storter-Long, for which penalty shall be satisfied within thirty (30) days of the date of this order. Payment must be submitted with a written statement under oath by Donna Storter-Long that the penalty amount was not paid with public funds and will not be reimbursed with public funds.

3. Donna Storter-Long is hereby publicly reprimanded and censured.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, this 1st day of November, 2013.



  
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RICK SCOTT, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

  
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SECRETARY OF STATE

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

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