

## HB 1646 -- Drug Testing of State Officials

Sponsor: Chappelle-Nadal

This bill requires all state elected officials, executive branch managerial staff, and officers and leadership staff of the General Assembly to submit to drug testing prior to taking office and once every two years thereafter. The officials or staff must pay for their own drug tests, which will be administered by licensed medical personnel or a person possessing a valid permit issued by the Department of Health and Senior Services. Upon request, the test results will be made available to the public. The bill does not create any new tort for use against a person or firm conducting the drug tests.