

To: Florida Recreation and Park Association

From: Allison S. Carvajal

Date: March 6, 2026

Re: Legislative Report – Session Week 8

Budget Not Budging as Session Nears End

With just a week remaining in the scheduled regular legislative session, lawmakers have yet to begin formal negotiations on a state budget, raising serious doubts about whether a spending plan will be completed before the session's March 13 deadline. Rep. Lawrence McClure, a Dover Republican who chairs the House Budget Committee, said Thursday that discussions with Senate counterparts regarding negotiations will continue through the weekend. Meanwhile, Senate Appropriations Chairman Sen. Ed Hooper, R-Clearwater, acknowledged that progress remains slow, saying it is "possible" lawmakers could agree on budget allocations before the end of the 60-day session, but told Florida Politics he expects budget "completion not by next Friday." The House and Senate spending plans remain roughly \$1.4 billion apart, with the House proposing a \$113.6 billion budget and the Senate proposing a \$115 billion budget. Although leaders say offers are being exchanged, the chambers have not yet agreed on a top-line spending figure or allocations for major areas such as education, health care and criminal justice—a necessary first step before formal budget conference negotiations begin. Without a deal by March 10, lawmakers would miss the deadline for the constitutionally required 72-hour "cooling off" period needed to finish the session on time. The 2026-27 fiscal year begins July 1, and lawmakers could extend the session or return later for a special session if negotiations stall—a scenario similar to last year, when budget disagreements pushed the legislative process beyond 100 days. Lawmakers are already scheduled to return to Tallahassee the week of April 20 for a special session on congressional redistricting.

House Backs Rules for Gold, Silver Coins as Legal Tender

Members of the House on Thursday unanimously approved HB 1311 by Apopka Republican Rep. Doug Bankson, establishing rules for the use of gold and silver coins as legal tender in Florida. The measure codifies regulations adopted by the state Department of Financial Services and the Office of Financial Regulation governing the use of the precious-metal coins. Lawmakers last year approved a separate law (HB 999) recognizing gold and silver coins as legal tender in the state beginning July 1, 2026. Under that 2025 law, qualifying

gold and silver coins are exempt from sales tax, and government entities may—but are not required to—accept them electronically. The law also ensures that no individual or business can be compelled to accept the coins as payment. The bill’s Senate counterpart (SB 1588), carried by Sarasota Republican Sen. Joe Gruters, is scheduled for a vote in the Senate today.

Senate Set to Vote on Higher Sovereign Immunity Caps

The Senate Rules Committee on Tuesday approved a bill (SB 1366) raising the upper limits on sovereign immunity for negligence claims against agencies and local governments to \$350,000 per claimant and \$500,000 per incident, readying the bill for the chamber’s floor and likely negotiation with the House over the amounts. Under current law, the limits are \$200,000 per claimant and \$300,000 per event. The Senate bill sponsor, Republican Sen. Jason Brodeur, noted during the committee meeting that the House is currently considering raising the limit to \$500,000 and \$1 million, and what the final negotiated amount might be is “still up for debate” as the session heads toward its scheduled end in mid-March.

Measure to Cap Out-of-State Student Enrollment Passes House

Legislation (HB 1279) that would cap the number of out-of-state students at Florida’s most selective public universities passed the House on Tuesday on a mostly party line 84-25 vote and is on its way to the Senate. A wide ranging measure, the portion generating the most debate has been the 5% cap on first-year out-of-state student enrollment at the University of Florida, Florida State University, Florida International University, the University of Central Florida and the University of South Florida, four of which are preeminent research universities, with UCF expected to be designated as preeminent by the Board of Governors later this year. HB 1279 would reserve 95% of seats for Florida students based on a 3-year average and would also limit international student enrollment at state universities while requiring U. S. citizenship or lawful residence to receive state financial aid. The legislation is “Florida first, plain and simple,” and ensures “that more of our Florida’s best and brightest have the opportunity to start right here at home,” said bill sponsor Rep. Jennifer Kincart Jonsson, R-Lakeland. Current rules cap out-of-state enrollment at 10% of the university population as an average for all 12 public universities, which means more selective schools can enroll higher paying out-of-state students as long as other schools enroll fewer. Under the measure a preeminent research university that violates the ban will lose preeminent university funding as of 2030. But capping the number of out-of-state students would also cost those institutions about \$34 million a year, according to Kincart Jonsson. Among the bill’s other provisions, public colleges and universities could seek accreditation from accreditors beyond “regional” organizations and institutions would be prohibited from imposing a graduation requirement that includes a course that “distorts significant historical events or includes a curriculum that teaches identity politics, or is based on theories that systemic racism, sexism, oppression, and privilege are inherent in the institutions of the United States.”

House Expands Live Local Act, Over Local Objections

The House on Wednesday approved a sweeping update to the state’s 2023 Live Local Act, further loosening zoning rules and curbing local control in an effort to accelerate affordable housing construction statewide. Lawmakers voted 76-29 to pass HB 1389, with most Democrats voting in opposition, along with four Republicans. Bill sponsor Rep. Mike Redondo, a Miami Republican, argued that additional preemptions are necessary because some local governments continue to resist new residential development. The measure would require cities and counties to allow apartment buildings and mixed-use housing in many areas zoned for commercial or industrial use if at least 40% of units are reserved as affordable housing for 30 years. The provision could also apply to land owned by local governments, school districts and large religious institutions. It further limits local authority over building height and design, making it more difficult for municipalities to block qualifying projects through zoning restrictions. The legislation also mandates that accessory dwelling units—often called “granny flats”—be allowed in single-family neighborhoods through a streamlined approval process, provided they are rented at affordable rates to lower- or moderate-income tenants. In addition, the proposal strengthens fair housing protections by barring local governments from rejecting developments based on their financing sources, including projects backed by affordable housing funding. It also waives sovereign immunity caps for certain housing discrimination claims, opening the door to lawsuits against state and local governments that violate those protections, and directs a state policy office to study strategies to boost affordable home construction, including the potential role of tiny homes. While some Democrats initially agreed with the legislation’s intent, several noted on the floor that it would further erode home rule, arguing that housing policy should not be dictated by a one-size-fits-all statewide mandate. The measure now heads to the Senate. Lawmakers first passed the Live Local Act in 2023 to spur affordable and workforce housing through tax incentives, funding and zoning preemptions. The law has since been amended twice, and the latest proposal would mark its most expansive revision yet.

Dates to Remember

2026 Regular Session Dates

- March 13, 2026 Last day of Regular Session

Filed Bills

The bills listed below are those we are currently tracking on your behalf.

HB 0039 Assessments Levied on Recreational Vehicle Parks by Nix, Jr.

Assessments Levied on Recreational Vehicle Parks: Provides that certain special assessments on recreational vehicle parks levied by counties,

municipalities, & special districts, respectively, may not be levied against certain portion of recreational vehicle parking space or campsite; requires counties, municipalities, & special districts, respectively, to consider recreational vehicle park's occupancy rates for certain purpose. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/10/2026 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 02/17/26

02/17/2026 HOUSE Temporarily Postponed on Second Reading

02/17/2026 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

HB 0045 Sexual Offenders and Sexual Predators by Plakon

Sexual Offenders and Sexual Predators: Revises residency restrictions for persons convicted of certain sexual offenses occurring on or after specified date; provides applicability; revises distance required for specified offender to commit specified offense of loitering or prowling; prohibits such offender from knowingly contacting, communicating with, or approaching with intent to contact or communicate with certain children at certain locations; provides exception; requires such offender to provide notice to school or child care facility; authorizes warrantless arrest of person if law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe that such person has committed specified offenses; revises requirements for search of sexual predator or sexual offender registration information by state agency or governmental subdivision before appointing or employing person to work at specified locations; revises special conditions for certain sexual offenders subject to conditional release supervision for offenses committed on or after specified date; revises conditions of probation or community control for certain sexual offenders for offenses committed on or after specified date. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/24/2026 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Judiciary Committee; 13 Yeas, 3 Nays

02/24/2026 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed

02/25/2026 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

HB 0063 Carrying a Handgun, Weapon, or Firearm by Hunschofsky

Carrying a Handgun, Weapon, or Firearm: Prohibits carrying handgun, weapon, or firearm into certain locations; provides penalties. Effective Date: October 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

10/07/2025	HOUSE Referred to Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee
10/07/2025	HOUSE Now in Criminal Justice Subcommittee
11/04/2025	HOUSE Withdrawn prior to introduction

[HB 0067](#)

Reduction of Annual Assessment Increases for Homestead Property by Holcomb

Reduction of Annual Assessment Increases for Homestead Property: Proposes State Constitutional amendment reducing maximum amount that homestead property's assessed value may increase annually.

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

10/07/2025	HOUSE Referred to Select Committee on Property Taxes; State Affairs Committee; Ways & Means Committee
10/07/2025	HOUSE Now in Select Committee on Property Taxes
10/31/2025	HOUSE Withdrawn prior to introduction

[HB 0069](#)

Assessment of Homestead Property by Holcomb

Assessment of Homestead Property: Reducing maximum increase in assessed value authorized for homestead property.

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

10/07/2025	HOUSE Referred to Select Committee on Property Taxes; State Affairs Committee; Ways & Means Committee
10/07/2025	HOUSE Now in Select Committee on Property Taxes
10/31/2025	HOUSE Withdrawn prior to introduction

[HB 0071](#)

Distribution of Funds to Homestead Property Owners by Holcomb

Distribution of Funds to Homestead Property Owners: Creates Homestead Property Tax Relief Program within DFS; defines "eligible homesteader"; requires CFO to annually issue warrants of specified amount to certain

homestead property owners beginning & ending on specified dates; requires CFO to work with county property appraisers for specified purpose; provides future repeal. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

10/07/2025 HOUSE Referred to Select Committee on Property Taxes; Budget Committee

10/07/2025 HOUSE Now in Select Committee on Property Taxes

11/18/2025 HOUSE Withdrawn prior to introduction

[**HB 0079**](#)

Water Safety Requirements for the Rental of Residential Property by Maggard

Water Safety Requirements for the Rental of Residential Property: Requires vacation rental licensee to equip certain rental units with specified water safety features; provides for civil liability; provides exception. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: House Housing, Agriculture & Tourism Subcommittee

Actions

01/14/2026 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Civil Justice & Claims Subcommittee; 17 Yeas, 0 Nays

01/15/2026 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

01/19/2026 HOUSE Now in Housing, Agriculture & Tourism Subcommittee

[**HB 0085**](#)

Swimming Lesson Voucher Program by Kendall

Swimming Lesson Voucher Program: Revises age requirements for children receiving voucher through Swimming Lesson Voucher Program. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

01/16/2026 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Health & Human Services Committee, 01/21/26, 8:00 am, 17 H

01/21/2026 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Health & Human Services Committee; 25 Yeas, 0 Nays

01/21/2026 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

[**SB 0110**](#)

Homestead Exemptions by Arrington

Homestead Exemptions; Revising the circumstances under which a person may be deemed to have legal or beneficial and equitable title to certain property for homestead exemption purposes, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/19/2026 HOUSE In Messages

03/05/2026 HOUSE Received; Referred to House Calendar

03/05/2026 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/09/26

[HB 0117](#) Residential Swimming Pool Requirements by López

Residential Swimming Pool Requirements: Requires swimming pools located on residential real property that is transferred or sold on or after specified date to meet certain pool safety & pool barrier requirements; requires home inspectors to report violations of law to local enforcement agency. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: House Industries & Professional Activities Subcommittee

Actions

10/07/2025 HOUSE Filed

10/14/2025 HOUSE Referred to Industries & Professional Activities Subcommittee; Health Professions & Programs Subcommittee; Commerce Committee

10/14/2025 HOUSE Now in Industries & Professional Activities Subcommittee

[SB 0118](#) Assessments Levied on Recreational Vehicle Parks by Truenow

Assessments Levied on Recreational Vehicle Parks; Prohibiting counties, municipalities, and special districts, respectively, from levying certain special assessments against more than a specified square footage amount per recreational vehicle parking space or campsite, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/24/2026 SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 02/26/26

02/26/2026 SENATE Read Second Time; Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 36 Yeas / 0 Nays); Immediately certified

[HB 0145](#) Suits Against the Government by McFarland

Suits Against the Government: Increases statutory limits on liability for tort claims against state & its agencies & subdivisions; authorizes subdivision of state to settle claim in excess of statutory limit without legislative action regardless of insurance coverage limits; prohibits insurance policy from conditioning benefits on enactment of claim bill; specifies that limitations in effect on date claim accrues apply to that claim; revises period within which certain claims must be presented; revises exceptions relating to instituting tort claims against state or agencies or subdivisions; revises period after which failure of certain entities to make final disposition of claim shall be deemed final denial of claim for certain purposes; revises statute of limitations for tort claims against state or agencies or subdivisions & exceptions thereto. Effective Date: October 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

01/15/2026	HOUSE Read Second Time; Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 104 Yeas / 7 Nays)
01/15/2026	SENATE In Messages
01/16/2026	SENATE Received; Referred to Rules

[HB 0149](#) Maximum Millage Rates for the 2027-2028 Fiscal Year by Chamberlin

Maximum Millage Rates for the 2027-2028 Fiscal Year: Provides method for determining the maximum county & school millage rates for fiscal year 2027-2028; provides for future repeal. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: House Select Committee on Property Taxes

Actions

10/13/2025	HOUSE Filed
10/21/2025	HOUSE Referred to Select Committee on Property Taxes; State Affairs Committee; Ways & Means Committee
10/21/2025	HOUSE Now in Select Committee on Property Taxes

[HB 0201](#) Elimination of Non-school Property Tax for Homesteads by Steele

Elimination of Non-school Property Tax for Homesteads: Proposes amendment to State Constitution to exempt homestead property from all ad valorem taxation other than school district levies, prohibit counties and

municipalities from reducing total funding for law enforcement, and provide an effective date.

Current Committee of Reference: House Ways & Means Committee

Actions

12/02/2025 HOUSE Favorable by State Affairs Committee; 18 Yeas, 5 Nays

12/02/2025 HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee

02/04/2026 Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue
Estimating Impact Conference, 02/06/26, 9:00 am, 117 K (No
Votes Will Be Taken) - Consent Agenda

HB 0203 Elimination of Non-school Property for Homesteads by Miller

Elimination of Non-school Property for Homesteads: Proposes amendment to State Constitution to make homestead property exempt from all ad valorem taxation other than school district levies beginning in a specified year, to prohibit local governments from reducing total funding for services provided by law enforcement, firefighters, and other first responders, and provide an effective date.

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/19/2026 HOUSE Engrossed Text (E1) Filed

02/19/2026 SENATE In Messages

02/19/2026 SENATE Received; Referred to Appropriations

HB 0205 Elimination of Non-School Property Tax for Homesteads for Persons Age 65 or Older by Porras

Elimination of Non-School Property Tax for Homesteads for Persons Age 65 or Older: Proposes amendment to State Constitution to exempt homestead property from all levies other than school district levies for persons who have attained age 65, prohibit counties and municipalities from reducing total funding for law enforcement, and provide an effective date.

Current Committee of Reference: House Ways & Means Committee

Actions

12/02/2025 HOUSE Favorable by State Affairs Committee; 18 Yeas, 7 Nays

12/02/2025 HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee

02/04/2026 Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue
Estimating Impact Conference, 02/06/26, 9:00 am, 117 K (No
Votes Will Be Taken) - Consent Agenda

[HB 0207](#)**Assessed Home Value Homestead Exemption of Non-school Property Tax** by Abbott

Assessed Home Value Homestead Exemption of Non-school Property Tax: Proposes amendment to State Constitution to add a homestead exemption for levies other than school levies equal to 25 percent of the remaining assessed value after applying existing exemptions, provide construction, prohibit counties and municipalities from reducing total funding for law enforcement, and provide an effective date.

Current Committee of Reference: House State Affairs Committee

Actions

11/20/2025	HOUSE Favorable by Select Committee on Property Taxes; 24 Yeas, 10 Nays
11/20/2025	HOUSE Now in State Affairs Committee
	Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue
02/04/2026	Estimating Impact Conference, 02/06/26, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken) - Consent Agenda

[HB 0209](#)**Property Insurance Relief Homestead Exemption Non-school Property Tax** by Busatta

Property Insurance Relief Homestead Exemption Non-school Property Tax: Proposes amendment to State Constitution to increase by \$200,000 the exemption for homestead property from all ad valorem taxation other than school district levies for homestead properties that have property insurance, to prohibit local governments from reducing total funding for first responders, and to provide an effective date. Effective Date: Not Specified

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

12/10/2025	HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed
12/11/2025	HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading
	Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue
02/04/2026	Estimating Impact Conference, 02/06/26, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken) - Consent Agenda

[HB 0211](#)**Accrued Save-Our-Homes Property Tax Benefit for Non-school Property Tax** by Overdorf

Accrued Save-Our-Homes Property Tax Benefit for Non-school Property Tax: Proposes amendment to State Constitution to increase the maximum value of the accrued Save-Our-Homes benefit which may be transferred to a new

homestead for all levies other than school district levies, prohibit counties and municipalities from reducing total funding for law enforcement, and provide an effective date.

Current Committee of Reference: House Ways & Means Committee

Actions

12/02/2025 HOUSE Favorable by State Affairs Committee; 18 Yeas, 7 Nays

12/02/2025 HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee

Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue

02/04/2026 Estimating Impact Conference, 02/06/26, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken) - Consent Agenda

SB 0212 Sexual Offenders and Sexual Predators by McClain

Sexual Offenders and Sexual Predators; Revising residency restrictions for persons convicted of certain sexual offenses occurring on or after a specified date; revising the prohibition of specified offenders from coming within a specified distance of a place where children congregate; requiring a person who has been convicted of specified offenses to provide notice to a school or child care facility under certain circumstances; authorizing the warrantless arrest of a person if a law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe the person committed specified offenses, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/26/2026 SENATE Read Second Time; Amendment Adopted (786080);
Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 31 Yeas / 6 Nays); Immediately
certified

02/26/2026 SENATE Engrossed Text (E1) Filed

02/26/2026 HOUSE In Messages

HB 0213 Modification of Limitations on Property Assessment Increases by Griffiths Jr.

Modification of Limitations on Property Assessment Increases: Proposes amendment to State Constitution to modify limitations on assessment increases for both homestead & nonhomestead property, prohibit local governments from reducing total funding for services provided by law enforcement, firefighters, & other first responders, & provide an effective date. Effective Date: January 1, 2027

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/04/2026	Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 02/06/26, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)
02/04/2026	Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 02/06/26, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken) - Consent Agenda
02/11/2026	Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 02/13/26, 1:00 pm, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

HB 0215 Ad Valorem Taxation by Albert

Ad Valorem Taxation: Revises Save-Our-Homes portability benefits available to married persons establishing joint homestead; prohibits increase in prior year's adopted millage rate from going into effect unless approved by specified vote; authorizes DOR to adopt emergency rules; provides for future expiration. Effective Date: January 1, 2027

Current Committee of Reference: House State Affairs Committee

Actions

11/20/2025	HOUSE Favorable by Select Committee on Property Taxes; 23 Yeas, 10 Nays
11/20/2025	HOUSE Now in State Affairs Committee
02/04/2026	Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 02/06/26, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken) - Consent Agenda

HB 0227 Eligibility of Leasehold Interests for Homestead Exemptions by Maney

Eligibility of Leasehold Interests for Homestead Exemptions: Revises circumstances under which persons may be deemed to have legal or beneficial & equitable title to certain property for homestead exemption purposes. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/10/2026	HOUSE Favorable with CS by State Affairs Committee; 24 Yeas, 0 Nays
02/10/2026	HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed
02/11/2026	HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

HB 0243 Electric Bicycles by Benarroch

Electric Bicycles: Provides requirements for operation of electric bicycles; provides penalties; creates Electric Bicycle Safety Task Force adjunct to DHSMV & provides requirements therefor; requires certain reports to Governor & Legislature by specified dates. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/10/2026 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 02/17/26

02/17/2026 HOUSE Temporarily Postponed on Second Reading

02/17/2026 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

[SB 0244](#) Residential Swimming Pool Requirements by Rodriguez

Residential Swimming Pool Requirements; Requiring that swimming pools located on residential real property that is transferred or sold on or after a specified date meet certain pool safety and pool barrier requirements; requiring home inspectors to report violations of the law to a local enforcement agency, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Regulated Industries

Actions

10/20/2025 SENATE Filed

11/03/2025 SENATE Referred to Regulated Industries; Community Affairs; Rules

[SB 0270](#) Homestead Property Exemption for Persons Age 65 or Older by Bernard

Homestead Property Exemption for Persons Age 65 or Older; Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to exempt homestead property from all levies other than school district levies for persons who have attained age 65, prohibit counties and municipalities from reducing total funding for law enforcement, etc.

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Finance and Tax

Actions

10/23/2025 SENATE Filed

11/17/2025 SENATE Referred to Finance and Tax; Appropriations; Rules

[SB 0272](#) Homestead Exemption for Persons 65 and Older by Bernard

Homestead Exemption for Persons 65 and Older; Expanding the homestead exemption for persons 65 years and older to include a total exemption of

homestead property from ad valorem taxation, other than for school district levies, for certain persons whose household income does not exceed a certain amount; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules, etc. Effective Date: On the effective date of the amendment to the State Constitution proposed by SJR 270 or a similar joint resolution having substantially the same specific intent and purpose, if such amendment to the State Constitution is approved at the next general election or at an earlier special election specifically authorized by law for that purpose

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Finance and Tax

Actions

10/23/2025 SENATE Filed

11/17/2025 SENATE Referred to Finance and Tax; Appropriations; Rules

[SB 0274](#) Homestead Property Tax Benefits for Long-term Owners by Bernard

Homestead Property Tax Benefits for Long-term Owners; Proposing amendments to the State Constitution to provide that the assessed value of homestead property may not increase after 20 years of ownership and residency, to provide an additional homestead tax exemption equal to 50 percent of the assessed value of property, other than school district levies, for persons who have owned and resided on the property as their permanent residence for 30 years or more, and to provide an effective date, etc.

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Finance and Tax

Actions

10/23/2025 SENATE Filed

11/17/2025 SENATE Referred to Finance and Tax; Appropriations; Rules

[SB 0276](#) Homestead Property Tax Benefits For Long-term Owners And Permanent Residents by Bernard

Homestead Property Tax Benefits for Long-term Owners and Permanent Residents; Requiring that certain property be assessed at less than just value when the person who owns the property has owned and used the property as his or her permanent residence for a specified timeframe; providing that the assessed value of such property shall be a certain amount and may not be increased under certain circumstances; specifying a homestead exemption for certain long-term owners and residents; authorizing periods of ownership and residency to be aggregated, etc. Effective Date: On the effective date of the amendment to the State Constitution proposed by SJR 274 or a similar joint resolution having substantially the same specific intent and purpose, if such amendment to the State Constitution is approved at the next general

election or at an earlier special election specifically authorized by law for that purpose

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Finance and Tax

Actions

10/23/2025 SENATE Filed

11/17/2025 SENATE Referred to Finance and Tax; Appropriations; Rules

[SB 0278](#) Limitation on the Assessed Value of New Homestead Property by Bernard

Limitation on the Assessed Value of New Homestead Property; Proposing amendments to the State Constitution to limit the assessed value of new homestead property established after a change of ownership which had an assessed value of less than a certain amount to no more than 150 percent of the assessed value of the property for the preceding year for ad valorem taxation purposes and to provide an effective date, etc.

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Finance and Tax

Actions

10/23/2025 SENATE Filed

11/17/2025 SENATE Referred to Finance and Tax; Appropriations; Rules

[SB 0280](#) Assessment of Homestead Property by Bernard

Assessment of Homestead Property; Limiting the assessed value upon change of ownership of homestead property having a prior assessed value below a certain amount when the person acquiring the property is entitled to a homestead exemption, etc. Effective Date: On the effective date of the amendment to the State Constitution proposed by SJR 278 or a similar joint resolution having substantially the same specific intent and purpose, if such amendment is approved at the next general election or at an earlier special election specifically authorized by law for that purpose

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Finance and Tax

Actions

10/23/2025 SENATE Filed

11/17/2025 SENATE Referred to Finance and Tax; Appropriations; Rules

[SB 0286](#) Assessment of Changes, Additions, or Improvements to Homestead Properties by Bernard

Assessment of Changes, Additions, or Improvements to Homestead Properties; Revising the manner of assessing the value of changes, additions, or improvements to homestead property, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Finance and Tax

Actions

10/23/2025 SENATE Filed

11/17/2025 SENATE Referred to Finance and Tax; Appropriations; Rules

[SB 0302](#) Coastal Resiliency by García

Coastal Resiliency; Prohibiting the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund from approving the dredging or filling of the submerged lands of the Terra Ceia Aquatic Preserve unless such dredging and filling occurs for certain reasons; authorizing certain dredging and filling of submerged lands and placement of certain shorelines and seawalls within the Biscayne Bay Aquatic Preserve; authorizing the erection of certain structures within aquatic preserves; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection, by a specified date, to develop guidelines and standards for nature-based methods to address coastal resiliency and to adopt rules, subject to legislative ratification, for a statewide permitting process for such coastal resiliency, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/19/2026 HOUSE In Messages

03/05/2026 HOUSE Received; Referred to House Calendar

03/05/2026 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/09/26

[HB 0321](#) Carrying Weapons and Firearms by Hunschofsky

Carrying Weapons and Firearms: Prohibits person from carrying weapon or firearm into certain locations; provides criminal penalty. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: House Criminal Justice Subcommittee

Actions

11/04/2025 HOUSE Filed

11/12/2025 HOUSE Referred to Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee

11/12/2025 HOUSE Now in Criminal Justice Subcommittee

[HB 0347](#) Adoption and Display of Flags by Governmental Entities by Borrero

Adoption and Display of Flags by Governmental Entities: Prohibits governmental entity from displaying, placing, or causing to be placed certain

flags on real property; specifies flags governmental entity may display on such property; provides requirements for governmental entity that displays flag of United States; prohibits local government from adopting certain ordinances or regulations relating to flag of local government; provides that certain ordinances & regulations are void. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: House Government Operations Subcommittee

Actions

11/05/2025 HOUSE Filed
HOUSE Referred to Government Operations Subcommittee;
11/12/2025 Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee
11/12/2025 HOUSE Now in Government Operations Subcommittee

[SB 0382](#) Micromobility Device by Truenow

Micromobility Device; Providing requirements for the operation of electric bicycles; prohibiting the operation of an electric bicycle above a certain speed under certain circumstances; creating the Micromobility Device Safety Task Force adjunct to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; requiring the Florida Highway Patrol and each police department and sheriff's office to maintain a certain list, beginning on a certain date, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/25/2026 HOUSE In Messages
03/05/2026 HOUSE Received; Referred to House Calendar
03/05/2026 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/09/26

[HB 0389](#) Smoking in Public Places by Andrade

Smoking in Public Places: Revises legislative intent; defines "public place"; revises definition of terms "smoking" & "vape" or "vaping"; prohibits smoking in public places in this state, with exceptions; provides applicability; revises requirements for customs smoking rooms to prohibit smoking & vaping of marijuana products at any time. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: House Health & Human Services Committee

Actions

11/06/2025 HOUSE Filed

11/18/2025 HOUSE Referred to Health & Human Services Committee;
State Affairs Committee; Commerce Committee

11/18/2025 HOUSE Now in Health & Human Services Committee

[SB 0406](#) Carrying Weapons and Firearms by Polsky

Carrying Weapons and Firearms; Prohibiting a person from carrying a weapon or firearm into certain locations; providing criminal penalties, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Criminal Justice

Actions

11/05/2025 SENATE Filed

11/17/2025 SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Rules

[SB 0426](#) Adoption and Display of Flags by Governmental Entities by Yarborough

Adoption and Display of Flags by Governmental Entities; Prohibiting a governmental entity from displaying, placing, or causing to be placed certain flags on real property; providing a penalty; specifying flags a governmental entity may display on such property; prohibiting a local government from adopting certain ordinances or regulations relating to the flag of the local government, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Governmental Oversight and Accountability

Actions

11/07/2025 SENATE Filed

12/01/2025 SENATE Referred to Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Community Affairs; Rules

[SB 0428](#) Drowning Prevention by Yarborough

Drowning Prevention; Revising the purpose of the Swimming Lesson Voucher Program; revising the age requirements for children receiving a voucher through the program; requiring the Department of Health to develop educational materials on drowning prevention safety measures and safe bathing practices for specified purposes; requiring hospitals, birth centers, and home birth providers to provide the educational materials to new parents and caregivers as part of their postpartum education and care, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/25/2026 HOUSE In Messages
03/05/2026 HOUSE Received; Referred to House Calendar
03/05/2026 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/09/26

SB 0454 Tourist Development Taxes by Smith

Tourist Development Taxes; Deleting a provision requiring that a specified percentage of all tourist development tax revenues be used to promote and advertise tourism, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Commerce and Tourism

Actions

11/12/2025 SENATE Filed
12/01/2025 SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Finance and Tax; Appropriations

HB 0455 Protection of Historic Monuments and Memorials by Black

Protection of Historic Monuments and Memorials: Preempts all removal, damage to, or destruction of historic Florida monuments & memorials; provides that any existing or future ordinance, regulation, or rule to contrary, & certain actions by elected or appointed local government officials, are void; prohibits local governments from enacting or enforcing specified ordinances, regulations, or rules; provides penalties; requires DOS to withhold certain funding from local government; authorizes local government to temporarily remove & relocate monument or memorial in certain instances; authorizes Division of Historical Resources of DOS to request certain recommendations from Florida Historical Commission & Department of Veterans' Affairs. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: House State Affairs Committee

Actions

02/13/2026 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Judiciary Committee, 02/17/26, 8:30 am, 404 H
02/17/2026 HOUSE Favorable by Judiciary Committee; 14 Yeas, 5 Nays
02/17/2026 HOUSE Now in State Affairs Committee

SB 0456 Tourist Development Tax by Smith

Tourist Development Tax; Authorizing the use of proceeds from the tourist development tax to fund public safety improvements, affordable housing, and workforce housing, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Commerce and Tourism

Actions

11/12/2025 SENATE Filed

12/01/2025 SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Finance and Tax; Appropriations

[SB 0458](#) Tourist Development Tax by Smith

Tourist Development Tax; Revising the percentage of tourist development tax revenues that must be spent to promote and advertise tourism in order for any tourist development tax revenues to be used for a specified purpose, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Commerce and Tourism

Actions

11/12/2025 SENATE Filed

12/01/2025 SENATE Referred to Commerce and Tourism; Finance and Tax; Appropriations

[HB 0495](#) Golf Course Best Management Practices Certification by Albert

Golf Course Best Management Practices Certification: Provides legislative findings & intent regarding golf course best management practices certification; provides for type two transfer of Golf Course Best Management Practices Certification program in DEP to DACS. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: House Natural Resources & Disasters Subcommittee

Actions

01/29/2026 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Housing, Agriculture & Tourism Subcommittee; 15 Yeas, 0 Nays

01/30/2026 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

02/02/2026 HOUSE Now in Natural Resources & Disasters Subcommittee

[SB 0496](#) Protection of Historic Monuments and Memorials by McClain

Protection of Historic Monuments and Memorials; Citing this act as the “Historic Florida Monuments and Memorials Protection Act”; preempting all removal, damage to, or destruction of historic Florida monuments and memorials; providing that any existing or future ordinance, regulation, or rule to the contrary, and certain actions by elected or appointed local government officials, are void; providing civil penalties for certain officials who engage in certain actions; authorizing a local government to temporarily

remove and relocate a monument or memorial in certain instances provided certain requirements are met, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Governmental Oversight and Accountability

Actions

11/13/2025 SENATE Filed

12/01/2025 SENATE Referred to Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Community Affairs; Rules

HB 0503 Drowning Prevention Education by Eskamani

Drowning Prevention Education: Requires DOH to develop educational materials on drowning prevention safety measures & safe bathing practices for specified purposes; provides requirements for such materials; requires hospitals, birth centers, & home birth providers to provide educational materials to new parents & caregivers as part of their postpartum education & care; requires childbirth educators to provide informational materials to parents or caregivers receiving childbirth education from them. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

03/04/2026 HOUSE Read Second Time; Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 108 Yeas / 1 Nay)

03/04/2026 SENATE In Messages

03/04/2026 SENATE Received; Referred to Rules

SB 0544 Golf Courses by Truenow

Golf Courses; Creating the “Golf Course Best Management Practices Certification Act”; providing legislative findings and intent regarding golf course best management practices certification; providing for a type two transfer of the Golf Course Best Management Practices Certification program in the Department of Environmental Protection to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government

Actions

01/13/2026 SENATE Favorable with CS by Environment and Natural Resources; 6 Yeas, 1 Nay

01/14/2026 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

01/14/2026 SENATE Now in Appropriations Committee on Agriculture,
Environment, and General Government

[SB 0606](#) Drowning Prevention Education by Smith

Drowning Prevention Education; Requiring the Department of Health to develop educational materials on drowning prevention safety measures and safe bathing practices for specified purposes; providing requirements for such materials; requiring hospitals, birth centers, and home birth providers to provide the educational materials to new parents and caregivers as part of their postpartum education and care, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/17/2026 SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 02/19/26

02/19/2026 SENATE Temporarily Postponed on Second Reading

02/19/2026 SENATE Retained on Calendar

[SB 0610](#) Residential Swimming Pool Requirements by Smith

Residential Swimming Pool Requirements; Requiring that swimming pools located on residential real property that is transferred or sold on or after a specified date meet certain pool safety requirements; requiring that swimming pools located on residential real property that is transferred or sold on or after a specified date meet certain pool barrier requirements, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Regulated Industries

Actions

11/20/2025 SENATE Filed

12/09/2025 SENATE Referred to Regulated Industries; Community Affairs;
Rules

[HB 0633](#) Public Swimming and Bathing Places by Berfield

Public Swimming and Bathing Places: Revises & provides requirements for public swimming & bathing facilities relating to yearly inspections, rule variances, review & revision of rules, sanitation & safety standards, certification, the Public Swimming Pool & Spa Technical Committee, replacing certain equipment, & permit applications. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: House Health Professions & Programs Subcommittee

Actions

12/03/2025 HOUSE Filed

HOUSE Referred to Health Professions & Programs

12/12/2025 Subcommittee; Health Care Budget Subcommittee; Health & Human Services Committee

12/12/2025 HOUSE Now in Health Professions & Programs Subcommittee

[SB 0636](#) **Beach Management** by Leek

Beach Management; Requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to review certain data when designating certain beaches as critically eroded and in need of restoration and nourishment; requiring that certain beaches, whose local government preserved funds for a certain purpose and which possess specified features, be designated as critically eroded; revising the list of areas that may receive designation as an area of critical state concern, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/09/2026 SENATE On Committee agenda - Fiscal Policy, 02/12/26, 9:00 am, 110 S

02/12/2026 SENATE Favorable by Fiscal Policy; 18 Yeas, 0 Nays

02/12/2026 SENATE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

[SB 0658](#) **Water Safety Requirements for the Rental of Residential and Vacation Properties** by Burgess

Water Safety Requirements for the Rental of Residential and Vacation Properties; (THIS BILL COMBINES SB's 658 & 608) Requiring a landlord to equip certain rental properties with specified water safety features; providing criminal penalties; requiring a public lodging establishment licensed as a vacation rental to equip certain rental units with specified water safety features; providing an exception; requiring certain public lodging establishments to file a certificate of compliance upon licensure and renewal, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/19/2026 SENATE Read Second Time; Amendment Adopted (786606); Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 37 Yeas / 0 Nays); Immediately certified

02/19/2026 SENATE Engrossed Text (E1) Filed

[HB 0669](#) Public Mooring Fields by Gossett-Seidman

Public Mooring Fields: Prohibits local governments & special districts from applying for permit to establish or maintain public mooring field. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: House State Affairs Committee

Actions

02/13/2026 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed
HOUSE References to Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee
02/16/2026 and Budget Committee removed; Remaining reference: State
Affairs Committee
02/16/2026 HOUSE Now in State Affairs Committee

[HB 0951](#) One-cent Piece by McFarland

One-cent Piece: Authorizes dealers to round to nearest nickel in certain circumstances; provides methodology for such rounding; provides that such rounding is not deceptive & unfair trade practice in certain circumstances; requires certain cash payments be made in full amount due or rounded in a specified manner. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/20/2026 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Commerce Committee,
02/24/26, 3:00 pm, 404 H
02/25/2026 HOUSE Favorable by Commerce Committee on 02/24/26; 23
Yeas, 0 Nays
02/25/2026 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

[HB 0967](#) Electronic Payments Made to Units of Local Governments by Buchanan

Electronic Payments Made to Units of Local Governments: Revises legislative intent; requires units of local government to accept certain forms of payments; requires such local governments accept payments online. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/04/2026 HOUSE Read Second Time; Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 110
Yeas / 0 Nays)

02/04/2026 SENATE In Messages

02/09/2026 SENATE Received; Referred to Rules

[SB 0986](#) Smoking in Public Places by Gruters

Smoking in Public Places; Defining the term “public place”; revising the definition of the terms “smoking” and “vape” or “vaping”; prohibiting smoking or vaping a marijuana product in public places in this state, with exceptions, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government

Actions

01/15/2026	SENATE On Committee agenda - Regulated Industries, 01/20/26, 9:30 am, 412 K
01/20/2026	SENATE Favorable by Regulated Industries; 7 Yeas, 0 Nays
01/21/2026	SENATE Now in Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government

[HB 1001](#) Official Actions of Local Governments by Black

Official Actions of Local Governments: Prohibits counties & municipalities, respectively, from funding or promoting or taking official action as it relates to diversity, equity, & inclusion; prohibits counties & municipalities, respectively, from expending funds for diversity, equity, & inclusion offices or for diversity, equity, & inclusion officers; prohibits counties & municipalities, respectively, from providing or authorizing funds to be used to promote diversity, equity, & inclusion initiatives; authorizes cause of action against counties & municipalities, respectively; requires potential recipients of county or municipal contracts or grants to make certain certification to county or municipality before being awarded such contract or grant. Effective Date: January 1, 2027

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

03/02/2026	HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/05/26
03/05/2026	HOUSE Temporarily Postponed on Second Reading
03/05/2026	HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

[HB 1035](#) Nature-based Coastal Resiliency by Mooney, Jr.

Nature-based Coastal Resiliency: Authorizes certain dredging & filling of submerged lands & placement of certain shorelines & seawalls within

Biscayne Bay Aquatic Preserve; authorizes erection of specified structures within aquatic preserves; requires DEP to develop by specified date guidelines & standards for nature-based methods to address coastal resiliency; requires DEP & local governments to promote nature-based solutions for coastal resiliency. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/17/2026 HOUSE Favorable with CS by State Affairs Committee; 22 Yeas, 0 Nays

02/17/2026 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

02/19/2026 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

SB 1042 **Public Waters** by Rodriguez

Public Waters; Prohibiting local governments and special districts from applying for a permit to establish or maintain a public mooring field under certain circumstances; requiring, rather than authorizing, the Department of Health to adopt and enforce certain rules; requiring counties, municipalities, special districts, and, if applicable, the state to close certain beach waters and public bathing places, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Health Policy

Actions

12/30/2025 SENATE Filed

01/07/2026 SENATE Referred to Health Policy; Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; Rules

HB 1069 **Background Screenings** by Trabulsy

Background Screenings: Revises definition of term "athletic coach"; provides that independent sanctioning authority is deemed to be qualified entity for purpose of participating in Care Provider Background Screening Clearinghouse; requires qualified entities to designate user administrator for specified purpose; prohibits certain persons from denying or failing to acknowledge certain criminal history records that have been expunged or sealed; requires FDLE to disclose sealed criminal history records. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

03/03/2026 HOUSE Engrossed Text (E1) Filed

03/03/2026 SENATE In Messages

03/03/2026 SENATE Received; Referred to Rules

SB 1074 One-cent Piece by Gaetz

One-cent Piece; Defining the term “cash”; authorizing dealers to round to the nearest nickel in certain circumstances; providing that rounding to the nearest nickel is not a deceptive and unfair trade practice in certain circumstances; requiring that certain cash payments be made in the full amount due or rounded in a specified manner in certain circumstances, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/23/2026 SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 02/26/26
02/26/2026 SENATE Read Second Time; Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 36 Yeas / 0 Nays); Immediately certified
02/26/2026 HOUSE In Messages

SB 1134 Official Actions of Local Governments by Yarborough

Official Actions of Local Governments; Prohibiting counties and municipalities, respectively, from funding or promoting or taking official action as it relates to diversity, equity, and inclusion; providing that certain ordinances, resolutions, rules, regulations, programs, and policies are void; providing that a county commissioner, a member of the governing body of a municipality, or any other county or municipal official acting in an official capacity who violates certain provisions commits misfeasance or malfeasance in office, etc. Effective Date: 1/1/2027

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

03/04/2026 SENATE Read Second Time; Amendments Failed (366604, 255382, 893150, 334094, 726506); Amendment Adopted (648678); Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 25 Yeas / 11 Nays)
03/04/2026 SENATE Engrossed Text (E1) Filed
03/05/2026 HOUSE In Messages

SB 1168 Background Screenings by Grall

Background Screenings; Providing that, effective on a specified date, an independent sanctioning authority is deemed to be a qualified entity for the purpose of participating in the Care Provider Background Screening Clearinghouse; requiring qualified entities to designate a user administrator for a specified purpose; prohibiting certain persons from denying or failing to

acknowledge certain criminal history records that have been expunged or sealed, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

03/04/2026 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed

03/04/2026 SENATE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

03/04/2026 SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/09/26

[SB 1200](#) Regulation of Public Swimming Pools and Bathing Places by Massullo, Jr.

Regulation of Public Swimming Pools and Bathing Places; Providing that, notwithstanding an exemption from supervision or regulation, certain pools are subject to annual inspections by the Department of Health to ensure compliance with specified standards; providing the Public Swimming Pool and Spa Technical Committee with the sole authority to review and approve certain variances; requiring certain department and county health department employees to obtain the Florida Public Pool Specialist Certification within a specified timeframe; deleting a certain advisory review board and replacing it with the Public Swimming Pool and Spa Technical Committee, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Health Policy

Actions

01/06/2026 SENATE Filed

01/12/2026 SENATE Referred to Health Policy; Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; Fiscal Policy

[HB 1297](#) Beach Management by Greco

Beach Management: Requires DEP to review certain data when designating certain beaches as critically eroded & in need of restoration & nourishment; requires that certain beaches be designated as critically eroded; authorizes Secretary of Environmental Protection to require coastal local governments to develop specified plans. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: House State Affairs Committee

Actions

02/10/2026 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee, 02/12/26, 9:15 am, 17 H

02/12/2026 HOUSE Favorable by Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB 1329 **Local Government Spending** by Benarroch

Local Government Spending: Revises length of time tentative budgets & final budgets must be posted on county, municipality, & special district websites; requires posting of such budgets to allow members of public to download & review certain information & data in specified formats; requires county and municipal budget officer to perform certain exercise before final adoption of budget; revises length of time adopted amendment must be posted on county's & municipality's website; requires posting of proposed amendment to meet certain requirements; provides exception for counties & municipalities that meet certain requirements; requires counties & municipalities that meet such exception to provide information in form & manner prescribed by DFS; authorizes counties & municipalities to apply for certain hardship waivers. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

03/04/2026 HOUSE Engrossed Text (E1) Filed
03/04/2026 SENATE In Messages
03/04/2026 SENATE Received; Referred to Rules

SB 1366 **Claims Against the Government** by Brodeur

Claims Against the Government; Increasing the statutory limits on the liability of the state and its agencies and subdivisions for tort claims; revising exceptions relating to instituting actions on tort claims against the state or one of its agencies or subdivisions; revising the period after which the failure of certain entities to make a final disposition of a claim shall be deemed a final denial of the claim for certain purposes; revising the statute of limitations for tort claims against the state or one of its agencies or subdivisions and exceptions thereto, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

03/04/2026 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed
03/04/2026 SENATE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading
03/05/2026 SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/10/26

SB 1566 **Local Government Spending** by DiCeglie

Local Government Finances; Citing this act as the "Local Government Financial Transparency and Accountability Act"; revising the timeframe

during which tentative budgets, and the length of time for which final budgets, must be posted on county websites; requiring counties to prepare certain quarterly compensation summaries; revising the length of time for which a public hearing for an amendment to a county budget must be advertised; specifying requirements applicable to local governments and special districts for impact fees adopted or increased after a specified date, etc. Effective Date: 1/1/2027

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

03/03/2026 SENATE Favorable with CS by Rules; 21 Yeas, 0 Nays
03/04/2026 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C3) Filed
03/04/2026 SENATE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

[SB 1612](#) Electronic Payments Made to Units of Local Governments by DiCeglie

Electronic Payments Made to Units of Local Governments; Requiring units of local government to accept certain forms of payments; providing an exception; requiring such local governments to accept payments online, etc. Effective Date: 1/1/2027

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

02/24/2026 SENATE Favorable by Rules; 21 Yeas, 0 Nays
02/25/2026 SENATE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading
03/03/2026 SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/06/26

[HB 6007](#) Tourist Development Taxes by Eskamani

Tourist Development Taxes: Removes provision requiring specified percentage of all tourist development tax revenues to be used to promote & advertise tourism. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: House Ways & Means Committee

Actions

11/13/2025 HOUSE Filed
11/24/2025 HOUSE Referred to Ways & Means Committee; Housing, Agriculture & Tourism Subcommittee; Commerce Committee
11/24/2025 HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee