

To: Florida Recreation and Park Association

From: Allison S. Carvajal

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Re: Legislative Report – Committee Week Ending December 5

DeSantis: Fla Will Redistrict this Spring: Likely in Special Session

Florida lawmakers will take up a proposal to redraw Florida's congressional districts in the spring, Gov. Ron DeSantis said Monday, pointing to a likely special session sometime after the March end of the regular legislative session. The governor said state leaders need to wait on a decision in a pending court case about the federal Voting Rights Act that would affect Florida's maps. The House Select Committee on Congressional Redistricting is already looking at the issue, with a meeting set this week to begin looking at a possible redraw. The White House has pressed Republican-led states to shore up GOP advantages in U.S. House maps ahead of the midterm elections next year. Florida legislative Democrats this week blasted the plan as "a direct response to the president's pressure to stack the deck." Opponents of the extraordinary mid-decade redistricting idea planned to call Tuesday for lawmakers to reject the effort. Florida's current map, drawn by DeSantis' office and enacted in 2022 after he vetoed a Legislature-approved version, has produced a 20-8 GOP advantage in the state's congressional delegation.

Albritton Warns About Redistricting Talk Being Court Fodder

Senate President Ben Albritton sent a memo to senators on Wednesday warning that amid a national and state-level push for mid-decade congressional redistricting, lawmakers' conversations about the topic could become evidence in any litigation that follows. Gov. Ron DeSantis is pushing for a redrawing of the congressional districts created after the 2020 Census, a move the governor says is needed because of unusual population growth in the half decade since that count, but one that comes as President Donald Trump and other national Republicans urge states to redistrict for political reasons – in a bid to add Republican-safe seats in Congress. In an interview this week with The Floridian, DeSantis said redistricting "will be done," by Florida lawmakers, but that it would likely be sometime after the March end of the regular session. In his memo on Wednesday, Albritton, also a Republican, noted that "significant litigation" has followed previous redrawing of districts, and reminded legislators that the Constitution prohibits state lawmakers from "favoring or disfavoring" a particular party when drawing maps. That, however, is just what interest

groups and national political parties are likely to want lawmakers to do. He also noted that the state Supreme Court has typically limited how much lawmakers can claim "legislative privilege" in trying to keep those conversations out of evidence. The president also noted that while DeSantis has said lawmakers "will" redistrict this spring, likely in a post-session special session, currently, "there is no ongoing work regarding potential mid-decade redistricting taking place in the Senate at this time."

Redondo: Redistricting Shouldn't Wait Until After Session

The chairman of a House committee considering whether the state should take up an extraordinary mid-decade congressional redistricting effort said Thursday that if the Legislature does so it should do it during the regular session to get the map in place before next year's election. The comments by Rep. Mike Redondo, R-Miami, during Thursday's meeting of the House Select Committee on Congressional Redistricting followed a call by Gov. Ron DeSantis earlier in the week to wait until after the regular session ends in March to try to redraw the congressional district boundaries. He made clear, however, that the question of a mid-decade redistricting isn't yet settled, and that the House "may ultimately or may not" move forward on a new map. DeSantis is pushing for a redrawing of the congressional districts created after the 2020 Census, saying the state had extraordinary growth in the early years of the decade during the pandemic, and now isn't correctly apportioned. DeSantis also says the state may have to redistrict because of an expected U.S. Supreme Court ruling regarding the 1965 Voting Rights Act that DeSantis says would raise problems with Florida's existing congressional map. The issue arises, however, following a push by President Donald Trump and other national Republicans for states to redistrict for political reasons — in a bid to add Republican-safe seats in Congress. The next House special redistricting committee is scheduled for Dec. 10.

House Advances Smaller Batch of Property Tax Cut Proposals

A package of proposed constitutional amendments that would slash property taxes for Florida homeowners cleared another hurdle Tuesday, even as local governments warn the measures could severely undercut funding for essential services. The House State Affairs Committee approved four proposals along party lines, including a sweeping plan to eliminate all non-school homestead property taxes (HJR 201). Analysts estimate that change alone would strip \$14.1 billion from local communities' government budgets in its first year. The measures are part of a broader slate that Republican House Speaker Daniel Perez unveiled in October for the 2026 ballot. Gov. Ron DeSantis has also pushed for property tax relief but criticized the House's multi-proposal strategy as likely to "create confusion" among voters, calling instead for a single amendment. But House Republicans say the governor hasn't offered his own plan. In addition to eliminating non-school homestead taxes outright, the joint resolutions moving on to their third and final committee assignment include a bill (HJR 205) exempting homeowners 65 and older from non-school homestead taxes, legislation (HJR 209) creating a new \$100,000 homestead exemption for insured properties, and a measure (HJR 211) allowing homeowners to

transfer the full value of their "Save Our Homes" benefits when moving. All four proposals head next to the House Ways & Means Committee and if passed by the Legislature, would need 60% approval from voters in the November general election for ratification. Opponents, including Democrats and local governments, warn the cuts could squeeze funding for schools, infrastructure, emergency services, parks, and water management. Critics also argue the changes would shift tax burdens onto rental properties and businesses. A Realtor.com analysis released Monday projected that wiping out non-school homestead taxes could inflate home values by 7% to 9% — a boost for current owners but a potential setback for first-time buyers. Several other property tax-related proposals were not taken up Tuesday, including a bill (HJR 203) that would phase out non-school homestead taxes over a decade by boosting the homestead exemption by \$100,000 each year, legislation (HJR 207) that would create a new 25% homestead exemption for non-school property taxes, and a measure (HJR 213) that would limit assessed-value growth to 3% over three years for homestead properties and 15% over three years for non-homestead properties. An additional regular bill (HB 215) that was also not considered by the House panel would require two-thirds — or supermajority — votes for local tax-rate increases and allow newly married couples to merge their "Save Our Homes" benefits. That proposal would not need voter approval. Those measures, however, could still resurface later as one more interim committee week is set for later this month, and the 2026 regular session is scheduled to commence on Jan. 13. The Senate has not produced a companion plan.

Fla to Provide Driver License Data to Feds in Voter Check Settlement

Florida and three other Republican-led states have agreed to help the Trump administration get access to state driver's license data as part of an expanded effort to search for alleged noncitizen voters. Florida, Indiana, Iowa and Ohio committed to provide license data to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security as part of a settlement agreement reached late last week. The settlement was reached in a lawsuit originally filed by the states against DHS during the Biden administration in which the states had argued the agency wasn't doing enough to help them verify voter eligibility. Under the settlement, DHS agrees to continue to work to make it easier for states to run checks using certain identifying information through the agency's SAVE, or Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements system to check citizenship and immigration status as part of efforts to verify voter eligibility. The states in return agree to provide driver's license records to DHS to help it improve the SAVE system and will "make best efforts to support and encourage DHS's efforts to receive and have full use of state driver's license records from the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System ("NLETS") and the relevant state driver's license agency or agencies."

Sovereign Immunity Cap Increase Clears Second House Panel

Despite pushback from cities, counties, and school districts, a House panel on Wednesday advanced a proposal to increase the amount government agencies must pay

when people are injured due to negligence, a move supporters call overdue, and opponents warn could strain local budgets. The House Budget Committee voted 22-2 to approve HB 145, which would overhaul the state's sovereign immunity laws put in place by the Legislature in the 1970s to shield public agencies from large lawsuit payouts. Current limits, last amended in 2010, cap liability at \$200,000 per person and \$300,000 per incident unless lawmakers approve a special "claim" bill to exceed such limits. The measure, sponsored by Sarasota Republican Rep. Fiona McFarland, would increase the caps to \$500,000 per person and \$1 million per incident for cases beginning Oct. 1, 2026, and then to \$600,000 per person and \$1.2 million per incident starting Oct. 1, 2031. It would also allow local governments to settle certain claims beyond statutory limits without legislative approval, thereby eliminating the need for a claim bill in some instances. McFarland said giving injured Floridians greater recourse is overdue. But critics, including the Florida Association of Counties, the Safety Net Hospital Alliance of Florida, the Florida League of Cities, and the Panhandle Area Educational Consortium, among others, warned that the changes would drive up insurance costs and trigger more litigation — especially as property tax cuts may potentially go before voters in 2026. GOP Reps. Patt Maney and Toby Overdorf were the two opposing votes, and the legislation now heads to its third and final committee stop: the House Judiciary Committee. While McFarland has pushed to raise the state's sovereign immunity caps for several years, a Senate companion to her newest proposal has not yet been filed ahead of the 2026 legislative session

Dates to Remember

2025 Interim Meeting Schedule

- December 8-12, 2025

2026 Regular Session Dates

- January 13, 2026 Regular Session convenes
- March 3, 2026 Last day for regularly scheduled committee meetings
- March 13, 2026 Last day of Regular Session

Filed Bills

Bills are beginning to be filed, and the ones listed below are those we've tagged for you. We'll send a full report of all the bills we're tracking on your behalf before Session begins.

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: House Ways & Means Committee

Actions

10/01/2025	HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee
	Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue
11/12/2025	Estimating Impact Conference, 11/14/25, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)
12/03/2025	HOUSE On Committee agenda - Ways & Means Committee, 12/10/25, 8:30 am, 404 H

HB 0045 Sexual Offenders and Sexual Predators by Plakon

Sexual Offenders and Sexual Predators: Defines "public bathing place" & "public swimming pool"; revises residency restrictions for persons convicted of certain sexual offenses occurring on or after specified date; provides applicability; 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: House Judiciary Committee

Actions

11/06/2025	HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed
	HOUSE Reference to Health Professions & Programs
11/07/2025	Subcommittee removed; Remaining reference: Judiciary Committee
11/07/2025	HOUSE Now in Judiciary Committee

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: House Select Committee on Property Taxes

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 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: House Health Professions & Programs Subcommittee

Actions

10/14/2025 HOUSE Referred to Health Professions & Programs Subcommittee; Health Care Budget Subcommittee; Health & Human Services Committee

10/14/2025 HOUSE Now in Health Professions & Programs Subcommittee

12/02/2025 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Health Professions & Programs Subcommittee, 12/09/25, 12:30 pm, 102 H

[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: Senate Finance and Tax

Actions

10/07/2025 SENATE Filed

10/13/2025 SENATE Referred to Finance and Tax; Appropriations; Rules Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue

11/12/2025 Estimating Impact Conference, 11/14/25, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

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

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
	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; Providing that certain special assessments on recreational vehicle parks levied by counties, municipalities, and special districts, respectively, may not be levied against a certain portion of a recreational vehicle parking space or campsite; requiring counties, municipalities, and special districts, respectively, to consider a recreational vehicle park's occupancy rates for a certain purpose, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Finance and Tax

Actions

11/18/2025	SENATE Favorable with CS by Community Affairs; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays
11/19/2025	SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed
11/20/2025	SENATE Now in Finance and Tax

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: House Judiciary Committee

Actions

12/03/2025 HOUSE Favorable by Budget Committee; 22 Yeas, 2 Nays
12/03/2025 HOUSE Now in Judiciary Committee
12/04/2025 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Judiciary Committee,
12/11/25, 3:00 pm, 404 H

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

11/25/2025 HOUSE On Committee agenda - State Affairs Committee,
12/02/25, 8:30 am, 17 H
12/02/2025 HOUSE Favorable by State Affairs Committee; 18 Yeas, 5 Nays
12/02/2025 HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee

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

Phased Out Elimination of Non-school Property Tax for Homesteads: Proposes amendment to State Constitution to increase the exemption for homestead property from all ad valorem taxation other than school district levies annually for 10 years by a certain amount, to make homestead

property exempt from all ad valorem taxation other than school district levies beginning in a specified year, to 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

11/13/2025	HOUSE On Committee agenda - Select Committee on Property Taxes, 11/20/25, 9:00 am, 212 K
11/20/2025	HOUSE Favorable by Select Committee on Property Taxes; 24 Yeas, 10 Nays
11/20/2025	HOUSE Now in State Affairs Committee

[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

11/25/2025	HOUSE On Committee agenda - State Affairs Committee, 12/02/25, 8:30 am, 17 H
12/02/2025	HOUSE Favorable by State Affairs Committee; 18 Yeas, 7 Nays
12/02/2025	HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee

[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

11/13/2025	HOUSE On Committee agenda - Select Committee on Property Taxes, 11/20/25, 9:00 am, 212 K
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11/20/2025 HOUSE Favorable by Select Committee on Property Taxes; 24 Yeas, 10 Nays
11/20/2025 HOUSE Now in State Affairs Committee

[HB 0209](#)

Property Insurance Relief Homestead Exemption of Non-school Property Tax by Busatta

Property Insurance Relief Homestead Exemption of Non-school Property Tax: Proposes amendment to State Constitution to increase by \$100,000 the exemption for homestead property from all ad valorem taxation other than school district levies for homestead properties that have property insurance, to prohibit counties and municipalities from reducing total funding for law enforcement, and to 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
12/03/2025 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Ways & Means Committee, 12/10/25, 8:30 am, 404 H

[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

11/25/2025 HOUSE On Committee agenda - State Affairs Committee, 12/02/25, 8:30 am, 17 H
12/02/2025 HOUSE Favorable by State Affairs Committee; 18 Yeas, 7 Nays
12/02/2025 HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee

[SB 0212](#)

Sexual Offenders and Sexual Predators by McClain

Sexual Offenders and Sexual Predators; Revising residency restrictions for persons convicted of certain sexual offenses; revising requirements for a search of sexual predator or sexual offender registration information by a

state agency or governmental subdivision before appointing or employing a person to work; revising special conditions for certain sexual offenders subject to conditional release supervision; revising standard conditions of probation or community control for certain sexual offenders, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Criminal Justice

Actions

10/16/2025 SENATE Filed

11/03/2025 SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Judiciary; Rules

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 and nonhomestead property, 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

11/13/2025 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Select Committee on Property Taxes, 11/20/25, 9:00 am, 212 K

11/20/2025 HOUSE Favorable by Select Committee on Property Taxes; 24 Yeas, 10 Nays

11/20/2025 HOUSE Now in State Affairs Committee

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

11/13/2025 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Select Committee on Property Taxes, 11/20/25, 9:00 am, 212 K

11/20/2025 HOUSE Favorable by Select Committee on Property Taxes; 23 Yeas, 10 Nays

11/20/2025 HOUSE Now in State Affairs Committee

[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: House Ways & Means Committee

Actions

10/28/2025 HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee
Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue
11/12/2025 Estimating Impact Conference, 11/14/25, 9:00 am, 117 K (No
Votes Will Be Taken)
12/03/2025 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Ways & Means Committee,
12/10/25, 8:30 am, 404 H

[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**Nature-based Solutions for Improving Coastal Resilience** by García

Nature-based Solutions for Improving Coastal Resilience; Requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt rules and guidelines for nature-based solutions for improving coastal resilience; requiring the department, in consultation with the Division of Insurance Agent and Agency Services of the Department of Financial Services, to conduct a statewide feasibility study regarding the value of nature-based solutions being used for a specified purpose, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$250,000 Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Environment and Natural Resources

Actions

11/24/2025 SENATE On Committee agenda - Environment and Natural Resources, 12/02/25, 3:30 pm, 110 S

12/02/2025 SENATE Favorable with CS by Environment and Natural Resources; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays

12/04/2025 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

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 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](#) Swimming Lesson Voucher Program by Yarborough

Swimming Lesson Voucher Program; Revising the age requirements for children receiving a voucher through the Swimming Lesson Voucher Program, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Health Policy

Actions

11/07/2025 SENATE Filed

12/01/2025 SENATE Referred to Health Policy; Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services; Fiscal Policy

[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

[SB 0456](#) The 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 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