

To: Florida Recreation and Park Association

From: Allison S. Carvajal

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Re: Legislative Report – Committee Week Ending December 12

Perez Unveils Sweeping Health Care Overhaul Tied to Trump-Era Reforms

The House on Tuesday rolled out a major health care overhaul ahead of the 2026 legislative session, with Speaker Daniel Perez announcing a package he calls "Florida's New Frontier in Healthcare." The initiative leans heavily on President Donald Trump's federal reforms and aims to reduce state regulations, expand the health workforce, tighten eligibility for public programs, and lower prescription drug costs. The package includes two main bills sponsored by Republican Reps. Mike Redondo and Jennifer Kincart Jonsson, along with a linked public records bill (HB 695). The first main measure (HB 693), titled the "Big Beautiful Healthcare Frontier Act," sponsored by Redondo, aims to align state law with federal changes to Medicaid, SNAP, and the Children's Health Insurance Program, or CHIP. Among the most far-reaching provisions, it would limit eligibility for certain undocumented immigrants, reduce retroactive Medicaid coverage to two months, and expand SNAP work requirements up to age 64. The legislation also seeks to target fraud by tightening address checks and expediting the removal of deceased recipients from rolls. It also includes a repeal of remaining certificate-of-need, or CON, requirements for nursing homes, hospice centers, and intermediate care facilities, and a broad range of changes to practitioner rules. The other main proposal (HB 697), named the "Prescription Reduction Incentives and Competition Enhancement Act," or the "PRICE Act," by Kincart Jonsson, seeks to lower prescription drug costs by creating a "most favored nation" pricing model. It would require insurers, Medicaid plans and pharmacies to pay no more than the lowest price charged in countries with similar market-based health systems. Manufacturers would have to report international prices as a condition of licensing. The act also targets pharmacy benefit managers, barring PBMs from forcing pharmacies to dispense at a loss and requiring equal reimbursement for out-of-network pharmacies. It further mandates "frozen formularies," prohibiting mid-year changes to drug coverage that can increase patient costs. Perez framed the initiative as a defining moment for conservative health care policy.

DeSantis Issues Final Budget Proposal

Gov. Ron DeSantis on Wednesday made his last budget recommendation to the Legislature, laying out a \$117 billion proposed spending plan for the state's 2026-27 fiscal year that would increase teacher and state law enforcement pay and set aside some money for small counties that might have trouble meeting budget needs if voters agree on proposed statewide property tax cuts next year. The proposal would come in about \$2.2 billion more than the current year budget. In education spending, the governor is recommending boosting per student spending in K-12 schools by nearly \$300 per student increasing teacher pay by about \$201 million, though the state's teachers' union say it doesn't do enough in the current high cost of living economy. DeSantis also wants lawmakers to bolster spending on the state's prison system and give law enforcement officers a 5% raise. The plan includes a 2% across the board raise for other state workers. DeSantis said he's proposing putting aside \$300 million to "completely, 100% reimburse" the 32 counties in the state that are considered "fiscally constrained," for the revenue that they'd forgo with a loss of property tax revenue. But, DeSantis also said that in the out years, those counties may have to find ways to replace the revenue on their own. DeSantis is also asking lawmakers to set out \$6 million for the state Commerce Department to protect military training along the Gulf coast from a federally proposed expansion of oil drilling. The governor's budget recommendation is just that, and lawmakers can take or leave the individual parts as they craft what will become the spending plan that will take effect July 1. DeSantis will, however, have line item veto power over what lawmakers pass.

House Panel Advances Proposed Property Tax Relief Amendment

The House Ways & Means Committee voted 10-5 on Wednesday to advance a proposed constitutional amendment to provide homeowners substantial property tax relief, brushing aside warnings from Democrats and local government advocates that it could trigger massive budget shortfalls across Florida communities. The joint resolution bill (HJR 209), sponsored by Coral Gables Republican Rep. Demi Bussatta, is a top priority for House leadership and is now ready for a floor vote. The measure, which would need voter approval in the November general election, would create a new exemption shielding \$200,000 of a homestead property's assessed value from non-school property taxes, provided the home is insured. The panel also adopted an amendment to protect local firefighter and first responder funding — now grouped with law enforcement — from budget reductions if property tax revenues fall, requiring their budgets to remain at 2025-26 or 2026-27 levels, whichever is higher. Some Democrats questioned whether 911 dispatchers would be included, but Bussatta said those definitions would be hashed out later with implementing language if voters approve the amendment. Bussatta argued the change is needed because some local governments "continue to fund their political wants on the backs of hardworking Floridians," pointing to a small rural county where the administrator earns \$177,000 annually. She didn't, however, name the county. Critics, including local government groups, warned the amendment would devastate essential services. Florida League of Cities lobbyist Charles Chapman argued the loss of homestead

taxable value would be catastrophic; Port St. Lucie, he said, for example, could see an 80% reduction, while DeLand could lose 85% of its homestead tax base. Opponents also argued the amendment wouldn't save taxpayers money in the long run, predicting that local governments would be forced to sharply increase fees to maintain operations, including critical services. Committee Chairman Rep. Wyman Duggan, R-Jacksonville, dismissed the doomsday scenarios, telling critics to make their case to voters instead of lawmakers.

E-Verify Expansion Ready for House Floor

A plan to require every private employer in Florida to use the federal E-Verify system is headed to the full House when the 2026 legislative session begins next month. The House Commerce Committee on Thursday approved the proposal (HB 197) in a 16-5 party-line vote, with Republicans in favor, marking its final committee stop after clearing a subcommittee last month. The bill, sponsored by GOP Reps. Berny Jacques and Kiyan Michael, would broaden an existing mandate that now applies only to public employers and private companies with 25 or more workers. House Minority Leader Rep. Fentrice Driskell of Tampa warned the expanded requirement could be "overly burdensome on our small businesses." But Republicans disputed that, arguing compliance is quick and straightforward. A similar House bill passed the full chamber in 2025 but died in the Senate. No 2026 Senate companion has been filed.

Sovereign Immunity Cap Increase Teed Up in House

Despite continued opposition from cities, counties, and school districts, a House panel on Thursday advanced a proposal to increase the amount government agencies must pay when people are injured due to government negligence — setting the measure up for consideration on the House floor when the Legislature meets again next month for the 2026 legislative session. The House Judiciary Committee voted 12-2 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 legislation, 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. Republican Reps. Tom Fabricio of Miami Lakes and Patt Maney of Shalimar voted in opposition. No Senate companion is currently filed.

Dates to Remember

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 Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee

Actions

12/03/2025 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Ways & Means Committee, 12/10/25, 8:30 am, 404 H

12/10/2025 HOUSE Favorable by Ways & Means Committee; 17 Yeas, 0 Nays

12/10/2025 HOUSE Now in Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee

[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 0079](#) Water Safety Requirements for the Rental of Residential Property by Maggard

Water Safety Requirements for the Rental of Residential Property: Requires that certain dwelling units, premises, & residential property be equipped with specified pool safety requirements; provides criminal penalty. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: House Civil Justice & Claims Subcommittee

Actions

10/02/2025 HOUSE Filed

HOUSE Referred to Civil Justice & Claims Subcommittee;

10/07/2025 Housing, Agriculture & Tourism Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee

10/07/2025 HOUSE Now in Civil Justice & Claims 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: House Health Care Budget Subcommittee

Actions

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

12/09/2025 HOUSE Favorable by Health Professions & Programs Subcommittee; 16 Yeas, 0 Nays

12/09/2025 HOUSE Now in Health Care Budget Subcommittee

[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
10/14/2025 Subcommittee; Health Professions & Programs Subcommittee;
Commerce Committee
HOUSE Now in Industries & Professional Activities
10/14/2025 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: No Current Committee

Actions

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

12/11/2025 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

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

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 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 Favorable with CS by Ways & Means Committee; 10 Yeas, 5 Nays
12/10/2025 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed
12/11/2025 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

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 Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee

Actions

12/03/2025 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Ways & Means Committee, 12/10/25, 8:30 am, 404 H

12/10/2025 HOUSE Favorable by Ways & Means Committee; 17 Yeas, 0 Nays

12/10/2025 HOUSE Now in Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee

[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 Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government

Actions

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

12/05/2025 SENATE Now in Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government

[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

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 Government Operations Subcommittee

Actions

11/18/2025 HOUSE Filed

11/24/2025 HOUSE Referred to Government Operations Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee; State Affairs Committee

11/24/2025 HOUSE Now in Government Operations Subcommittee

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 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 Housing, Agriculture & Tourism Subcommittee

Actions

11/19/2025 HOUSE Filed

11/24/2025 HOUSE Referred to Housing, Agriculture & Tourism Subcommittee; Natural Resources & Disasters Subcommittee; Agriculture & Natural Resources Budget Subcommittee; Commerce Committee

11/24/2025 HOUSE Now in Housing, Agriculture & Tourism 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 hospitals, birth centers, & home health providers to maintain proof of compliance with required distribution of educational materials & make such records available to AHCA upon request; 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: House Health Care Facilities & Systems Subcommittee

Actions

11/20/2025 HOUSE Filed

HOUSE Referred to Health Care Facilities & Systems Subcommittee; Health Care Budget Subcommittee; Health & Human Services Committee

11/24/2025 HOUSE Now in Health Care Facilities & Systems Subcommittee

[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: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Environment and Natural Resources

Actions

11/18/2025 SENATE Filed

SENATE Referred to Environment and Natural Resources;
12/09/2025 Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; Fiscal Policy

[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: Senate Health Policy

Actions

11/20/2025 SENATE Filed

SENATE Referred to Health Policy; Appropriations Committee
12/09/2025 on Health and Human Services; Fiscal Policy

[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

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

[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: Senate Environment and Natural Resources

Actions

11/20/2025 SENATE Filed

SENATE Referred to Environment and Natural Resources;
12/09/2025 Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and
General Government; Fiscal Policy

[SB 0658](#) Water Safety Requirements for the Rental of Residential Property by Burgess

Water Safety Requirements for the Rental of Residential Property; Requiring a landlord to equip certain rental properties with specified water safety features; requiring a public lodging establishment licensed as a vacation rental to equip certain rental units with specified water safety features, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Regulated Industries

Actions

11/24/2025 SENATE Filed

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

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

Public Waters: Prohibits local governments & special districts from applying for permit to establish or maintain public mooring field; requires DOH to adopt & enforce certain rules; provides minimum requirements for such rules; requires counties, municipalities, special districts, & state to issue within specified timeframe health advisories; removes preemption to state of certain health advisories; requires counties, municipalities, special districts, & state to provide DEP & local affiliates of national television networks certain notification within specified timeframe; requires counties, municipalities, special districts, & state to close certain beach waters &

public bathing places; requires closure to remain in effect for specified amount of time; requires counties, municipalities, special districts, & certain owners to provide specified entities certain notification; requires DOH, in coordination with DEP & FWCC, to adopt by rule health advisory sign for specified purpose; provides requirements for such sign; requires counties, municipalities, special districts, & DEP to post & maintain health advisory signs; specifies where health advisory signs must be posted & for how long. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

Current Committee of Reference: No Current Committee

Actions

12/05/2025 HOUSE Filed

[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