



The Briefing – Thursday – August 11 – 2022

The last Briefing was Monday, August 8, 2022

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In Memoriam

Oscar E. Sanders, 77, of Carrabelle, the husband of former Franklin County Commissioner Cheryl Sanders passed away at home on Monday, August 8, 2022. Mr. Sanders was an avid outdoorsman and was retired from the Franklin County Road Department. Graveside funeral service will be held Friday, August 12, 2022, at 11:00 am at Evergreen Cemetery in Carrabelle. [Sanders Obituary](#)

Morris Dobbs, 89 – Union County passed away Tuesday, August 9. Mr. Dobbs served in the Korean War, served on Union County School Board from 1972- 1996 and also served on the Union Board of County Commission from 1999- 2014. Mr. Dobbs served from the age of 17 as a Solider, Community leader, mentor and a family man.

The Quick

Special Facilities Committee To Meet Next Week

The Department of Education is convening the Special Facilities Review Committee next week to review school district proposals seeking Special Facilities funding from the 2023 Florida Legislature. There will be three school districts under review – Gadsden, Glades, and Putnam.

General Election Ballot will include 3 Constitutional Amendments

There will be three Constitutional amendments on the statewide ballot this November. In order to pass, they will need to secure at least 60% of the vote. Here are the proposals:

[Abolishing the Constitution Revision Commission](#)

This would abolish the Constitution Revision Commission, which meets at 20-year intervals and is scheduled to next convene in 2037, as a way to submit proposed amendments or revisions to the State Constitution. The commission is made up of 37 people and is the only one of its kind in the nation. Through a series of public meetings, the Commission drafts proposed changes to the Constitution that would be voted on Florida's general election ballot. It was created by the Florida legislature in 1968. In order to be abolished, at least 60% of state voters would have to approve the amendment in November. The amendment was introduced by state Sen. Jeff Brandes of Pinellas County in 2020. It passed the state Senate the following year by a vote of 27-12. The measure was passed in the House in 2021, by a vote of

86-11. A similar proposal to abolish the commission was rejected by voters in 1980 by a vote of 56.5% to 43.5%.

[Limitation on Assessment of Real Property Used for Residential Purposes](#)

This would prohibit the consideration of any change or improvement made to real property used for residential purposes to improve the property's resistance to flood damage in determining the assessed value of such property for ad valorem taxation purposes.

[Additional Homestead Property Tax Exemption for Specified Critical Public Services Workforce](#)

This amendment would grant an additional homestead tax exemption for non-school levies of up to \$50,000 of the assessed value of homestead property owned by classroom teachers, law enforcement officers, correctional officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, child welfare services professionals, active duty members of the United States Armed Forces, and Florida National Guard members.

Days Until

- **Early voting begins for Primaries — 2;**
- **Florida Primary — 11;**
- **Launch window opens for NASA to launch the Artemis I — 17;**
- **NFL Opening Night: LA Rams vs. Buffalo Bills — 28;**
- **Vote-by-mail mailing deadline for General Election — 56;**
- **Deadline to register for General Election — 60;**
- **Florida Chamber Annual Meeting & Future of Florida Forum — 76;**
- **Early voting begins for General Election — 80;**
- **2022 General Election — 89;**
- **Florida TaxWatch's Annual Meeting begins — 111;**
- **2023 Legislative Session convenes — 208;**
- **2023 Session Sine Die — 267;**
- **Opening Ceremony of the 2024 Olympic Games — 715;**

Headlines from around the State

USA Today: Magistrate Judge Bruce Reinhart facing firestorm for signing Mar-a-Lago search warrant. Who is he?

City & State FL: Crist, Salazar rely heavily on remote voting while campaigning

DBNJ: Florida Democrats hope fiery Val Demings can ignite their ballot chances in 2022 election

Sentinel: In Florida, state cops get raises but no \$1,000 bonuses this year

WLRN: Florida's 'Don't Say Gay' law fuels anti-LGBTQ hate online

WUSF: Florida housing costs squeeze older adults on a fixed income

Democrat: How Leon school officials are trying to ensure a Uvalde shooting scenario can't unfold here

NBC Miami: Florida Man Pleads Guilty to Pushing Police in Capitol Riot

WLRN: FPL to conduct maiden voyage of new large-scale drone

WLRN: A Florida license plate has reopened the debate over the 'Don't tread on me' flag

FlaPol: St. Johns River WMD moves toward algal bloom rapid response

Today: 3 men arrested, accused in elaborate statewide retail theft ring in 14 counties

The Floridian: Fried: 'Ron DeSantis is Defending Donald Trump Instead of the rule of law'

My News 13: Back to school with new laws, pay and censorship concerns

WUSF: Nikki Fried explains why Florida clean energy goals are finally being implemented after 15 years

WLRN: Meet the young people behind Florida's new renewable energy goals

Sentinel: Uhlfelder accepts public money for attorney general race, as DeSantis pot grows to \$4.35 million

FlaPol: Charlie Crist blames Ron DeSantis for Panhandle school Black hero controversy

FlaPol: American Federation of Teachers gives Charlie Crist a \$500K boost

The Capitolist: Donald Trump Jr. backs Carolina Amesty in HD 45

FlaPol: Lawsuit filed in HD 45 race, another threatened, in mailers ruckus

Democrat: Florida House District 8: Four candidates compete for an unexpected vacant seat

PNJ: State Rep. Jayer Williamson endorses Joel Rudman to fill his seat in State House

Post: Primary elections: Two Republicans, one Democrat vie for House 91 seat

FlaPol: Ron DeSantis-backed Duval School Board candidate disputes Jan. 6 allegations

FlaPol: Rene Flowers endorses Michele Rayner, a jab at former opponent Wengay Newton

FlaPol: Michael Johnson says Sarasota needs fresh leadership, dismisses concerns about recent residency

WUSF: Florida's severe child psychiatrist shortage keeps one provider up at night

FlaPol: State Hispanic Chamber of Commerce endorses 28 Primary candidates for Florida Legislature

FlaPol: EMILY's List backs 21 Florida legislative candidates

Herald: Florida sheriffs suing over Miami-Dade County plan to keep mayor in charge of police

Axios: Florida county's naming of a park after DeSantis is drawing shade

Democrat: Matlow cuts \$20K check to PAC; Bellamy donated to DeSantis

News4Jax: Fighting crime, building trust & transparency: Sheriff candidates pledge to make Jacksonville safer

Democrat: Money trail for Dozier mailer at center of election complaints leads to local publisher, PACs

Sun: UF Health Shands Hospital names James J. Kelly interim CEO

Sun-Sentinel: Rick Scott on FBI's raid at Mar-a-Lago: Feds are like Nazi Germany's Gestapo

FlaPol: Rick Scott demands Joe Biden explain why FBI raided Donald Trump compound

Politico: Judge who approved FBI's Mar-a-Lago search represented clients linked to Jeffrey Epstein

Herald: How is Trump responding to the FBI raid of Mar-a-Lago? He's asking for money

Sentinel: No quick answers after FBI search of Mar-a-Lago as speculation abounds

Sun-Sentinel: FBI raid on Trump's Mar-a-Lago forces a reluctant Palm Beach into spotlight once more

Herald: 'Defund the FBI'? GOP leaders sharpen criticism of FBI, DOJ after Mar-a-Lago search

Herald: FBI's Mar-a-Lago search has been called unprecedented. Is it really?

News4Jax: FBI's search of Trump's Florida estate: Why now?

CBS Miami: Former prosecutor on why FBI search of Trump's Mar-a-Lago residence is "high-stakes"

Post: Donald Trump knows what FBI agents took from Mar-a-Lago and why they took it, experts say

Politico: Pritzker uses 'terrible' DeSantis as foil in national campaign on abortion rights

Sun-Sentinel: Feds say guns and pot a 'dangerous' mix, ask judge to dismiss Nikki Fried lawsuit

FlaPol: Cannabis clash continues between Nikki Fried, Justice Department

FlaPol: Charlie Crist calls on Joe Biden to intervene in jeopardized beach renourishment project

FlaPol: 'Soviet-style behavior': Donald Trump-endorsed Anna Paulina Luna responds to Mar-a-Lago search

Times: How a Canadian influencer targeted this Florida bar for its drag shows

Herald: State agency says Miami drag show violated lewdness laws. Could anyone be arrested?

FlaPol: Congress leans on NOAA to avoid major Florida fishery closures

CBS Miami: Flag-waving Trump supporters rally for former president in Little Havana

Politico: Florida rations limited supply of monkeypox vaccines as infections go up

Bradenton Herald: Gabby Petito's family files claim alleging police failed her

Democrat: Feds seizing vintage Scott Maddox cars to help pay judgment in public corruption case

Democrat: What rivalry? DeSantis rallies Florida GOP to Trump's defense after FBI Mar-a-Lago search

CBS Miami: Dems target Gov. Ron DeSantis over "raid" comments

Democrat: Democrats Fried, Crist blast DeSantis for heated comments on Mar-a-Lago search

Sun-Sentinel: Fried accuses DeSantis of divisive rhetoric about FBI Mar-a-Lago search

FlaPol: Nikki Fried calls out Ron DeSantis for saying FBI 'weaponized' over Trump raid

FlaPol: Ashley Moody sounds-off about FBI raid of Mar-a-Lago

Times: Gov. DeSantis removed him. What's next in Andrew Warren's fight for his job?

WLRN: The fate of Andrew Warren's suspension is up to the state senate. One South Florida lawmaker calls for a full trial

FlaPol: 'The Hug' comes full circle, from infamous to point of pride for Charlie Crist's new ad

WUSF: Here are the constitutional amendments going before Florida voters in November

Bradenton Herald: Professors in Florida are feeling the chill from DeSantis' education legislation

FlaPol: Ag Commish blowup breaks temporary campaign alliance between Democrats

Times: For Florida tenants, fighting eviction comes at a price

Star-Banner: Short on staff, Florida Department of Corrections boosts employee pay and benefits

FlaPol: 'Charlie is the leader this moment calls for': Daniella Levine Cava endorses Charlie Crist for Governor

The Capitolist: Florida Homebuilders back Ashley Moody for Attorney General

WUSF: Hillsborough's new state attorney will seek the death penalty in teacher's fatal stabbing

FlaPol: UF announces faculty expansion as it prepares for new nursing students

WUSF: 'Every emergency doctor' will see an opioid overdose each shift, says a Tampa ER doctor

Herald: After nearly 30 years, Miami-Dades District 10 will elect a new county commissioner

On the Docket

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2022

- **CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK BOARD:** The Florida Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling will meet in Central Florida. (Thursday, 8 a.m., Holiday Inn Disney Springs, 1805 Hotel Plaza Blvd., Lake Buena Vista.)
- **FAMU TRUSTEES:** The Florida A&M University Board of Trustees will continue a retreat and then hold a board meeting. (Thursday, retreat starts at 8:30 a.m., with board meeting at noon, Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel, 9939 Universal Blvd., Orlando.)
- **UNEMPLOYMENT FUND:** The Revenue Estimating Conference will discuss a forecast for the state Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund. (Thursday, 9 a.m., 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- **SOUTH FLORIDA WATER BOARD:** The South Florida Water Management District Governing Board will meet. (Thursday, 9 a.m., South Florida Water Management District, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach. https://sfwmd-gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Cc2G-19cQ8qf2kPaUPohOg)
- **UNEMPLOYMENT CASES:** The state Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission will meet. (Thursday, 9:30 a.m., Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission, 1211 Governors Square Blvd., Suite 300, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 850-988-5144. Conference ID: 175899214)
- **UNF TRUSTEES:** The University of North Florida Board of Trustees will meet. (Thursday, 11 a.m., University of North Florida, Student Union, Jacksonville.)
- **NORTHWEST WATER BOARD:** The Northwest Florida Water Management District Governing Board will hold a workshop, followed by a regular board meeting. (Thursday,

workshop at 11 a.m., board meeting at 1 p.m., Northwest Florida Water Management District, 81 Water Management Dr., Havana.)

- FINANCIAL AID: The Education Estimating Conference will analyze issues related to student financial aid. (Thursday, 1:30 p.m., 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- FLORIDA GATEWAY TRUSTEES: The Florida Gateway College Board of Trustees will meet. (Thursday, 5 p.m., Florida Gateway College, Administration Building, Lake City.)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 2022

- ROMMEL, MELO SPEAK TO GOP CLUB: Rep. Bob Rommel, R-Naples, and Rep. Lauren Melo, R-Naples, are scheduled to speak to the Republican Men’s Club of Collier County. (Friday, 7:30 a.m., Hilton Naples, 5111 Tamiami Trail North, Naples.)
- DENTAL BOARD: The Florida Board of Dentistry will meet in Hillsborough County. (Friday, 7:30 a.m., Embassy Suites by Hilton Tampa Airport Westshore, 555 North Westshore Blvd., Tampa.)
- LAND ISSUES: The state Acquisition and Restoration Council, which works on land-conservation issues, will meet. (Friday, 9 a.m., Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Marjory Stoneman Douglas Building, 3900 Commonwealth Blvd., Tallahassee.)
- OSTEOPATHIC BOARD: The Florida Board of Osteopathic Medicine will meet in Broward County. (Friday, 9 a.m., Marriott Fort Lauderdale Airport, 166 North Compass Way, Dania Beach.)
- CRIMINAL JUSTICE ISSUES: The Criminal Justice Estimating Conference will meet. (Friday, 9 a.m., 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- CLINICAL LAB BOARD: The Florida Board of Clinical Laboratory Personnel will meet. (Friday, 9 a.m. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 561487373)
- MIAMI-DADE REFUGEE PANEL: The Miami-Dade Refugee Task Force will meet. (Friday, 10 a.m. Information at <https://www.myflfamilies.com/>)
- FSDB TRUSTEES: The Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind Board of Trustees will hold a workshop, followed by a regular board meeting. (Friday, 2 p.m., Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, Moore Hall, 207 San Marco Blvd., St. Augustine.)
- OPTICIAN ISSUES: The Florida Board of Opticianry will meet. (Friday, 2 p.m. <https://meet.goto.com/161718005>. Call-in number: 1-866-899-4679. Code: 161718005)
- DEADLINE FOR CHANCELLOR APPLICATIONS: A search committee of the state university system’s Board of Governors set an Aug. 12 application deadline for candidates to become the system’s chancellor. A search began after Chancellor Marshall Criser announced he will step down at the end of the year.
- FINANCE REPORTS DUE: State candidates and political committees face a Friday deadline for filing reports showing finance activity through Aug. 5.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2022

- EARLY VOTING STATEWIDE: Counties will be required to start offering in-person early voting Saturday for the Aug. 23 primary elections. Many counties will start earlier in the week.

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES PROJECTED FOR FY 22-23

2022

August 23 -	Primary Election
Sept. 14-16 -	FAC Legislative Policy Conference – Miami-Dade

November 8 -	General Election
Possible TBA	<i>Small County Coalition</i> – Orientation and Legislative Meeting
November 22 -	Legislative Organizational Session
Nov. 29 – Dec. 2 -	FSBA/FADSS Annual Winter Conference – Tampa
<i>Dec. 1 -</i>	<i>Small District Breakfast – Joint meeting of FSBA Small Dist. Council and the Small School District Council Consortium</i>
<i>Nov. 30- Dec. 2 -</i>	<i>FAC Legislative Conference – Pinellas</i>
December –	Legislative Committee Meetings
December 7-9 -	Rural Development Summit – Registration and Hotel Information

2023

January –	Legislative Committee Meetings
February –	Legislative Committee Meetings
March 7 -	Regular Session convenes
March 15 -	Small District Briefing – prior to FSBA Legislative Conference
March 15–17 -	36th Annual FSBA Day in the Legislature
March - TBD –	Small County Coalition Legislative Briefing and Reception
April 25-	Rural Counties Day Legislative Reception
April 27 -	Rural Days in the Legislature
May 5 -	60th day – last day of Regular Session
June 7-9-	FSBA/FADSS Annual Summer Conference, Tampa, FL
June 27-30 -	FAC Annual Summer Conference
November 30 –	Small District Breakfast – Joint meeting of the FSBA Small District Council and the Small School District Council Consortium

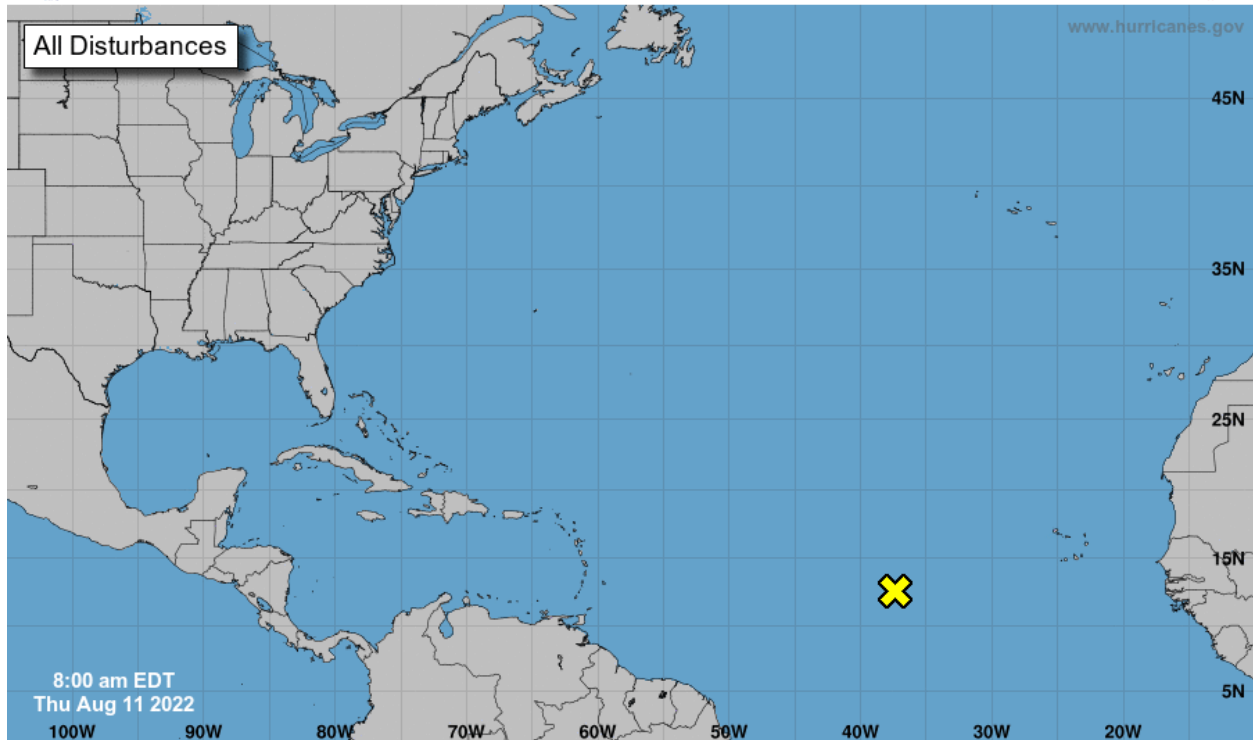
Five Day Tropical Outlook

<https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>



Five-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook

National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida



Current Disturbances and Five-Day Cyclone Formation Chance: ✕ < 40% ✕ 40-60% ✕ > 60%

Tropical or Sub-Tropical Cyclone: ○ Depression ⊙ Storm ● Hurricane

⊗ Post-Tropical Cyclone or Remnants

About the Briefing!

The Briefing is compiled **2-3 times a week** to provide information to County Commissioners and staff in counties that are members of the Small County Coalition and School Board members, Superintendents, and staff in districts that are members of the Small School District Council Consortium. It is also sent to Professional Colleagues and Associates. For Questions Email – Cdoolin@DoolinandAssoc.com

Website Links

[Small County Coalition Website](#)

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