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**\$2,000,000 Really! Show me the money!**

My wife and I actually discussed how we would use the winnings!

Oh well – it’s nice to dream a bit!

## ***The Briefing –Monday – November 7 - 2022***

*The last Briefing was Saturday – November 5 - 2022*

*How’s your weather - <https://weather.com/>*

### **Interesting Week Ahead**

*\$2 Billion Powerball*

*General Election – New Local Officials*

*Watching “Nicole” probable impact on Florida*

### **New Nickname**

*Trump Coins another nickname! Governor DeSantis - Ron Sanctimonious!*

*The Governor’s favorability rating is over 81%*

*[Here’s a list of the Trump-given Nicknames previously used!](#)*

*[Link to Week 11 of NCAA Football Games](#)*

## ***The Quick***

### **Florida Senate and House on the Brink of Supermajorities**

The Republican Party is within securing a two-thirds majority in both the Florida House and the Senate. The significance of that means that the GOP could override a governor’s veto and essentially eliminate the procedural ability of the Democrats to pursue policy initiatives and pass legislation. Currently with slightly more than 1/3 of the House - Democrats have the ability to slow down the process.

By the numbers –

- In the Florida House – 80 seats comprise a two-thirds vote, meaning the GOP needs four more seats to achieve a supermajority; in the Senate, 27 seats constitute a supermajority, meaning the party needs to add four seats there, too.
- Republicans now hold 76 seats in the 120-member Florida House and Democrats 42 seats, with two vacancies. In the 40-member Senate, Republicans hold 23 seats and the Democrats 16, with one vacancy.

**Election Night Results**

Please text or email local election night results as soon as the results come in! We will be update county lists based on the results!

**Please Send Contact Information on any New Commissioner of School Board member**

It is my intention to add newly elected officials to the mailing list to receive Briefings and other information from the Small District Council Consortium and the Small County Coalition.

Thank you for your cooperation with this!

**Special Legislative Session – When? Good Question -No date yet!**

The specific dates of the special session have not been announced. However, the agenda will likely include - property insurance reform and matters related to the impact of Hurricane Ian. Governor DeSantis has indicated that he wants rebates for homes impacted by Hurricane Ian. It is likely that there will be additional issues addressed by that remains to be seen.

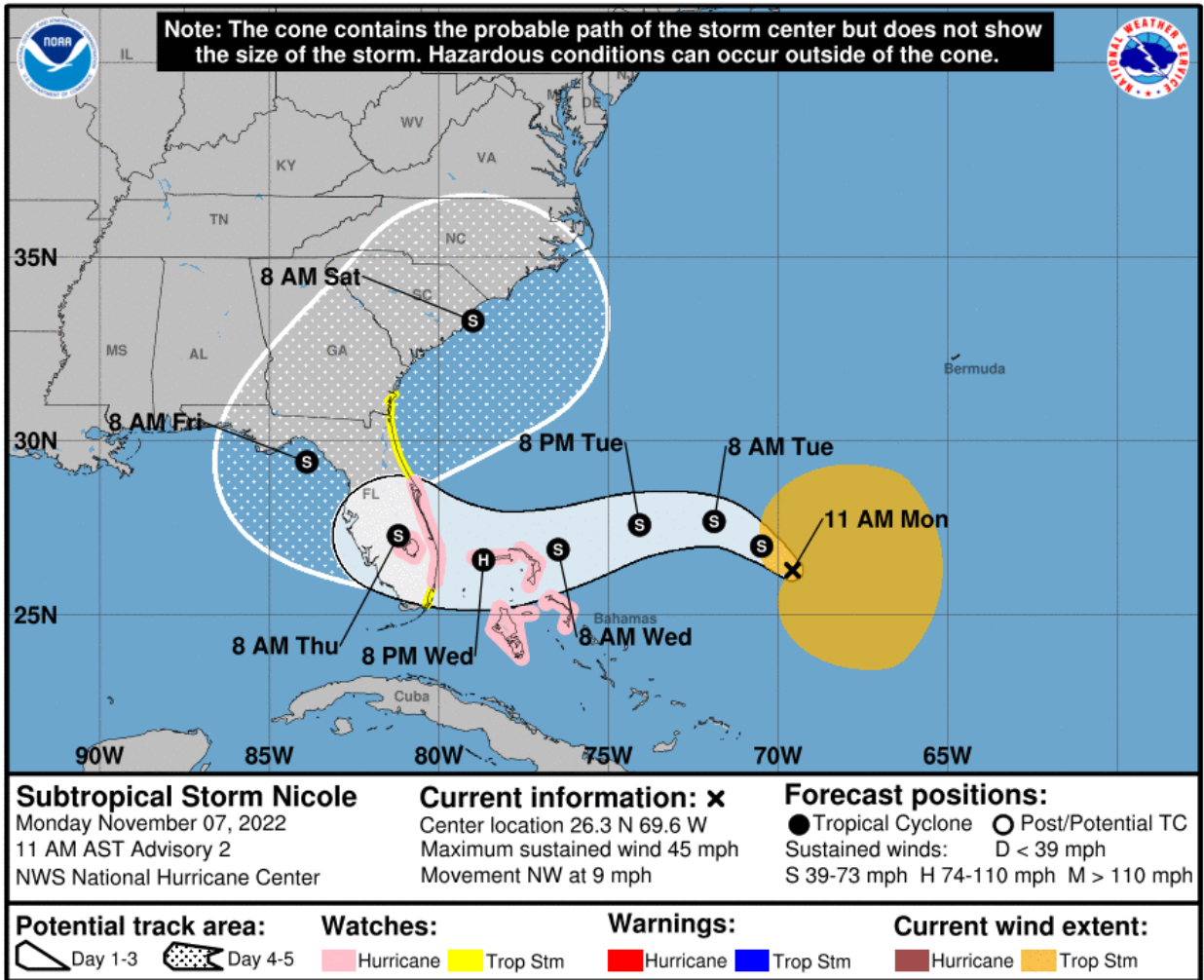
**Review and Comment on the following Legislative Proposals**

The following draft documents are open for review and comment. Please send any comments/recommended changes to [cdoolin@doolinandassoc.com](mailto:cdoolin@doolinandassoc.com)

 [The Small County Coalition -Draft 2023 Legislative Program.docx](#)  
[SSDCC 2023 Legislative Priorities - Draft for Consideration .docx](#)

**Tropical Outlook**

[www.nhc.noaa.gov](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov)



### Headlines Around the State

*Democrat: Trump-DeSantis rivalry overshadows last days of midterm election campaigning in Florida*

*Bradenton Herald: With disparaging nickname for DeSantis, Trump elevates rivalry before election*

*Politico: Trump holds his fire against DeSantis in Miami*

*Sentinel: 'We're going to take back America': Trump in Miami hints again at 2024 presidential run*

*Post: Trump calls Democratic opponents "communists," offers no new insight on 2024 campaign*

*Post: Rubio says "I don't think about" Trump, DeSantis rift speculation*

*Herald: 'They say it's the Trump party they're coming to,' ex-president says in Miami of Latinos*

*Herald: South Florida's campaign crescendo: From 'souls to the polls' to a Trump rally*

*FlaPol: Neal Dunn, Al Lawson square off in district shaped by Gov. DeSantis*

*Herald: Florida just restarted a gas tax. Prices are up at the pump — but by how much?*

*Sentinel: Manatee Awareness Month: Floridas sea cows need urgent action to ensure survival*

*WUSF: Real-estate law professor outlines historic obstacles to rent stabilization in Florida*

*WUSF: His story challenges the logic of Florida's process for awarding the Black farmer pot license*

*WSJ: Florida's East Coast Braces for Possible Hurricane by Midweek*

*Times: St. Petersburg's Black churches make final push for Election Day turnout*

*WUSF: Hurricane Ian? Fuhgeddaboudit! Mote doesn't stop working to save Florida's Coral Reef*

*Post: Subtropical Storm Nicole targeting Florida with strong winds, heavy rain, coastal erosion*

*NYTimes: Trump-DeSantis Rift Grows, With Dueling Rallies in Florida*

*Herald: Trump and DeSantis hold dueling events in Florida ahead of Election Day*

*Bloomberg: DeSantis Declines Trading Barbs With Trump as the Two Held Separate Florida Rallies*

*Politico: GOP megadonor: I'm ready to back DeSantis for president in '24*

*FlaPol: Donald Trump offers last-minute endorsement of Ron DeSantis re-election*

*Bradenton Herald: DeSantis predicts huge Republican midterm victories during Sarasota campaign stop*

*News4Jax: DeSantis: Floridians should prepare ahead of approaching storm*

*CBS Miami: Charlie Crist and Karla Hernandez make the rounds on the last day of early voting*

*WUSF: What can Florida voters expect on election night? Here's a primer*

*My News 13: Florida election officials wary of potential tropical system in Atlantic*

*News4Jax: Voting rights group hopes storm does not deter voters from showing up at polls Tuesday*

*Herald: Republicans cast more ballots than Democrats in Miami-Dade County as early voting ends*

*Bradenton Herald: How has the number of GOP, Democrat voters changed in Bradenton area? Here's the data*

*FlaPol: Randy Fine faces test to keep Brevard House seat*

*FlaPol: Fentrice Driskell heads into re-election with confidence*

*FlaPol: Demi Busatta Cabrera can lean on record to defend HD 114 seat against Democratic underdog Adam Benna*

*FlaPol: State's first official Victims of Communism Day coincides with Election Day this year*

*Herald: Should parents be concerned about flags? Miami-Dade School Board to discuss what's OK*

*Democrat: Local GOP chooses sides in Leon County School Board race*

### *On the Docket for this Week*

#### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2022**

- ‘VICTIMS OF COMMUNISM DAY’ MARKED: The state will mark “Victims of Communism Day,” under legislation that passed this year.

- OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY BOARD: The Florida Board of Occupational Therapy will meet. (Monday, 9 a.m. Call-in number: 1-888-585-9008. Code: 564341766)

### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2022**

- ELECTION DAY: Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the 2022 general election.
- SUWANNEE WATER BOARD: The Suwannee River Water Management District Governing Board will meet. (Tuesday, 9 a.m., Eagle Lake Conference Center at Nutrien, 16071 S.E. 78th Place, White Springs.)
- ST. JOHNS WATER BOARD: The St. Johns River Water Management District Governing Board will meet. (Tuesday, 10 a.m., St. Johns River Water Management District, 4049 Reid St., Palatka.)
- FLORIDA SOUTHWESTERN TRUSTEES: The Florida SouthWestern State College Board of Trustees will meet. (Tuesday, 10 a.m. Information at <https://www.fsw.edu/board/digitalagenda/373>)
- JACKSONVILLE COLLEGE BOARD: The Florida State College at Jacksonville Board of Trustees will meet. (Tuesday, 1 p.m., Florida State College at Jacksonville, North Campus, 4501 Capper Road, Jacksonville.)

### **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2022**

- PAROLE PANEL: The Florida Commission on Offender Review will meet. (Wednesday, 9 a.m., Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 337350165)
- UNEMPLOYMENT CASES: The state Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission will meet. (Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission, 1211 Governors Square Blvd., Suite 300, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 850-988-5144. Conference ID: 175899214)
- ENERGY EFFICIENCY: The Florida Public Service Commission will hold a workshop about energy-efficiency goals for utilities. (Wednesday, 1 p.m., Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee.)
- TRANSPORTATION ISSUES: The Florida Transportation Commission is scheduled to meet. (Wednesday, 1:30 p.m., Florida Department of Transportation, 605 Suwannee St., Tallahassee.)
- REFUGEE PANEL: The Jacksonville Area Refugee Task Force will meet. (Wednesday, 1:30 p.m. Information at <https://www.myflfamilies.com/>)
- CENTRAL POLK PARKWAY: Florida's Turnpike Enterprise will hold a meeting about a proposal to extend the Central Polk Parkway. (Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. [www.CentralPolkParkway.com](http://www.CentralPolkParkway.com). Call-in number: 1-562- 247-8422. Code: 505035231)

### **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2022**

- CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK BOARD: The Florida Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling will meet. (Thursday, 8 a.m., Hilton Altamonte Springs, 350 Northlake Blvd., Altamonte Springs.)
- UNIVERSITY SYSTEM BOARD: The state university system's Board of Governors will hold a series of committee meetings, followed by a full board meeting. The agenda will include confirming the appointments of Ben Sasse as president of the University of Florida and Kenneth Jessell as president of Florida International University. (Thursday, committees start at 8:30 a.m., with the full board scheduled at 1:15 p.m., University of South Florida, Morsani College of Medicine, 560 Channelside Dr., Tampa.)
- 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.)

- TRANSPORTATION ISSUES: The Florida Transportation Commission is scheduled to meet. (Thursday, 9 a.m., Florida Department of Transportation, 605 Suwannee St., Tallahassee.)
- SUPREME COURT RELEASES OPINIONS: The Florida Supreme Court is scheduled to release its weekly opinions. (Thursday, 11 a.m.)
- NORTHWEST FLORIDA WATER BOARD: The Northwest Florida Water Management District Governing Board will meet. (Thursday, 1 p.m. Central time, 700 U.S. 331 South, DeFuniak Springs.)
- FLORIDA GATEWAY TRUSTEES: The Florida Gateway College Board of Trustees will meet in Union County. (Thursday, 5 p.m., Union County School Board, 55 S.W. Sixth St., Lake Butler.)
- CENTRAL POLK PARKWAY: Florida's Turnpike Enterprise will hold a meeting about a proposal to extend the Central Polk Parkway. (Thursday, 5:30 p.m., Florida Department of Transportation, 801 North Broadway Ave., Bartow.)

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2022**

- STATE OFFICES CLOSED: State offices will be closed for Veterans Day.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2022**

- HART HOSTS FOOD DISTRIBUTION: Rep. Dianne Hart, D-Tampa, will help host a Thanksgiving food giveaway event. (Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Cyrus Greene Center, 2101 East Martin Luther King Blvd., Tampa.)

***Important Meetings on Rural/Small County Issues***

***Small County Coalition Fall Breakfast Meeting***

***For County Commissioners and Staff***

Wednesday – November 30 - St. Pete – Coinciding with the FAC Winter Meeting  
Major Actions –

Welcome New Commissioners and Adopt Legislative Program

[Registration for FAC Legislative Annual Conference](#)

***Small School District Council Consortium - Breakfast Meeting***

***For School Board members and Superintendents***

Thursday – December 1 – Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay -Coinciding with the FSBA Winter Meeting  
Major Actions

Greet New School Board Members and Adopt Legislative Program

[FSBA/FADSS 77th Annual Joint Conference – Florida School Boards Association](#)

***Annual Florida Rural Economic Development Summit***

***Major Focus – Advancing Economic Development in rural communities***

December 7-9, 2022 - Renaissance World Golf Village Resort in St. Augustine.

[Registration for Summit](#)

[Tentative Agenda for Summit](#)

***Important Broadband Summit – January 26 and 27th***

***Open for participating entities***

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[Registration for BROADBAND SUMMIT](#)

Sawgrass Marriott – St. Johns County

### ***About the Briefing!***

*The Briefing is prepared almost daily by Chris Doolin [cdoolin@doolinandassoc.com](mailto:cdoolin@doolinandassoc.com)*

The Briefing is compiled **2-3 times a week** to provide information to elected officials and staff in counties that are members of the Small County Coalition and the Small School District Council Consortium. It is also sent to Professional Colleagues and Associates. For Questions Email – [doolin@DoolinandAssoc.com](mailto:doolin@DoolinandAssoc.com)

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