



The Briefing – Monday - December 5 - 2022

The last Briefing was Friday – December 2 - 2022

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

We are working on updating our mailings lists – Please forward this briefing to newly elected officials

Let's Go Bowling

[2022-23 college football bowl game schedule, scores, TV channels, matchup information.docx](#)

Who's Bowling? FSU and UCF

Small County Coalition Adopted Legislative Program

www.smallcountycoalition.org

[The Small County Coalition -Adopted 2023 Legislative Program - Nov 30 - 2022.docx](#)

Small School District Council Consortium

www.ssdcc.org

[SSDCC 2023 Legislative Priorities - Adopted - December 1 - 2022 .docx](#)

The Quick

Local Legislative Delegation Hearings Begin

County legislative delegations have begun holding meetings in their communities to take input about issues and consider local bills.

Small District School Board Members focus on Affordable Workforce Housing, Student Achievement, Career Tech, and Parental Involvement

School Board members from Small Districts held a discussions in Tampa last week as part of the FSBA Winter meeting. The meeting provided an opportunity to share the major issues facing their districts. Here are some of the issues that have surfaced:

- Teacher Recruitment and Retention
- Supporting Career Tech courses
- Affordable Workforce Housing
- School Improvement
- Engaging the Parents and the community.

The members shared some local solutions, and spent time discussing School Advisory Councils as a means to promote engagement in the schools. [School Advisory Councils .docx](#)

Rural Summit to focus on Economic Development and Workforce

The focus this weeks turns to Rural Economic Development with the Annual Rural Summit sponsored by the Florida Rural Economic Development Council. The meeting will be held December 7-9, 2022 - Renaissance World Golf Village Resort in St. Augustine where over 200 participants will gather to assess current conditions and strategize how to enhance economic development efforts in rural counties. Once again, the meeting will be Moderated by Commissioner Terry Burroughs (Okeechobee), who serves at the Chairman of the Small County Coalition and is 1st Vice President of the Florida Association of Counties.

[Tentative Agenda for Summit](#)

Legislators will begin committee meetings preparing for 2024 Session

Next week there will be a Special Session on Hurricane/Insurance

Legislators will be in Tallahassee from Dec. 12 to Dec. 16 the first round of committee meetings. They will also convene an end-of-the-year special session to deal with the issues of insuring people in Florida in the wake of hurricanes Ian and Nicole. Ian especially exposed just how vulnerable homeowners are to catastrophic flooding, and while many in the state have property insurance they likely don't have insurance to cover flooding. The upcoming special session will also be the second attempt to fix insurance.

Florida Board of Education will convene next week!

Florida's Board of Education is meeting one final time in 2022 with key rule changes on the agenda. The board is scheduled to convene by conference call on December 16 to consider a new rule surrounding how schools report student discipline data to the state.

Eye on the Tropics

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

All Clear in the Tropics or the next five days!

Headlines Around the State

City & State FL: Housing challenges linger after Hurricane Ian

Herald Tribune: Rents down across nation, but largest increases were in Hurricane Ian-ravaged Southwest Florida

Times-Union: RSV, flu and COVID-19: What you need to know about the viruses menacing Jacksonville area

Axios: Dead fish wash ashore as toxic red tide drifts toward Tampa Bay

News-Press: FMB leaders promise 'functional paradise' within year; Ian 2nd biggest insured loss ever

Today: Terms of BPS Superintendent Mark Mullins' departure to be hammered out

Times: Meet the people looking to unseat Tampa Mayor Jane Castor

FlaPol: Miami-Dade to re-sign three lobbying firms for state, federal transportation advocacy

Sentinel: With Respect for Marriage Act about to become law, same-sex South Florida couples relieved but not sanguine

The Hill: Taking on the elite becomes go-to brand for DeSantis

Insider: Trump has just a handful of vocal 2024 supporters in Congress. We asked them why they back him over Ron DeSantis and others.

WUSF: A new Gulf oil spill study finds even deadlier impact on one of Florida's most popular fish

Herald: Key Florida lawmaker says DeSantis won't back down on Disney. But signs point to truce

FlaPol: Gov. DeSantis Office, Randy Fine dispute report of Disney U-turn

FlaPol: Paul Renner assembles Majority Office team, names committee leadership

My News 13: Osceola commissioners discuss flooding disclosure requirement for sellers and landlords

WLRN: DeSantis could get another appointee on Broward school board, if Velez isn't sworn in

Daily News: Collier school board member gets national attention, campaign for his removal started

FlaPol: UF backup quarterback played season while secretly under investigation in child pornography case

FlaPol: In Andrew Warren suspension trial, Gov. DeSantis officials answer: What does woke mean?

Herald: Will suspended Tampa state attorney be reinstated? Or will DeSantis win the case?

Times: Who are the Tampa names that came up during the Andrew Warren trial?

Democrat: 'Trying to silence us': Crowd gives Florida agency an earful over Capitol protest rules

Sentinel: Florida Supreme Court justice targeted in challenges to appeals court candidates

Times: Buchanan in hunt for coveted committee chairmanship in the U.S. House

Herald: Facing backlash, FIU taps human-rights voice to join Cuban Privilege author at talk

Herald: Florida federal Judge Aileen Cannon slammed by appeals court in Trump case

Herald: Records show more payments for migrant flights. Where did Florida's \$3.4 million go?

Herald Tribune: Sarasota School Board cancels Friday special meeting on Superintendent Brennan Asplen's departure

The Hill: Space Force opens new regional base in Florida

Important Meeting

Important Broadband Summit – January 26 and 27th

Open for participating entities

 [FAC BROADBAND SUMMIT.docx](#)

[Registration for BROADBAND SUMMIT](#)

Sawgrass Marriott – St. Johns County

On the Docket Around the State

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2022

- COLUMBIA COUNTY DELEGATION MEETS - Monday, 9 a.m.- The Columbia County legislative delegation, made up of Sen. Jennifer Bradley, R-Fleming Island, and Rep. Chuck Brannan, R-Macclenny, will meet in advance of the 2023 session.- Florida Gateway College, Administration Building, 149 S.E. College Place, Lake City.
- ‘GHOST’ CANDIDATES EYED - Monday, 9 a.m. - The group Integrity Florida will release a report about “ghost” political candidates.- Reporters may contact Ben Wilcox at ben@integrityflorida.org
- HENDRY COUNTY DELEGATION MEETS - Monday, 1 p.m. - The Hendry County legislative delegation, made up of Senate President Kathleen Passidomo, R-Naples, and Rep. Lauren Melo, R-Naples, will meet in advance of the 2023 session.- Clewiston City Hall, 115 West Ventura Ave., Clewiston.
- UNION COUNTY DELEGATION MEETS - Monday, 1 p.m. - The Union County legislative delegation, made up of Sen. Jennifer Bradley, R-Fleming Island, and Rep. Chuck Brannan, R-Macclenny, will meet in advance of the 2023 session.- Lake Butler City Hall, 200 S.W. First St., Lake Butler.
- BAKER COUNTY DELEGATION MEETS - Monday, 4 p.m. - The Baker County legislative delegation, made up of Sen. Jennifer Bradley, R-Fleming Island, and Rep. Chuck Brannan, R-Macclenny, will meet in advance of the 2023 session.- Macclenny City Hall, 118 East Macclenny Ave., Macclenny.
- CENTRAL POLK PARKWAY EXTENSION EYED - Monday, 5:30 p.m. - Florida’s Turnpike Enterprise will hold a remote meeting about a proposal to extend the Central Polk Parkway.- <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3639555437018985488>

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2022

- CHAMBER DIGS INTO INSURANCE ISSUES - Tuesday, 8:30 a.m.- The Florida Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual “Insurance Summit,” with speakers expected to include state Chief Financial Officer Jimmy Patronis, Insurance Commissioner David Altmaier and Citizens Property Insurance Corp. President and CEO Barry Gilway.- Hyatt Regency Orlando, 9801 International Dr., Orlando.

- FIU TRUSTEES MEET - Tuesday, committees start at 8:30 a.m., with full board at 2 p.m.- The Florida International University Board of Trustees will meet after a series of committee meetings.- Florida International University, Graham University Center, 11200 S.W. Eighth St.,
- COLLIER COUNTY DELEGATION MEETS - Tuesday, 9 a.m. - The Collier County legislative delegation, made up of Sen. Kathleen Passidomo, R-Naples, Rep. Lauren Melo, R-Naples, Rep. Adam Botana, R-Bonita Springs, and Rep. Bob Rommel, R-Naples, will meet.- Collier County Government Center, 3299 Tamiami Trail East, Naples.
- VOLUSIA MURDER CASE HEARD - Tuesday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Supreme Court will hear arguments in three cases, including an appeal by Death Row inmate Christian Cruz, who was convicted in Volusia County in the 2013 murder of Christopher Jemery. Location: Florida Supreme Court, 500 South Duval St., Tallahassee.
- VIRTUAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETS - Tuesday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Virtual School Board of Trustees will meet.- <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSp-oyR-9hroocmIumUXCg>
- GREENWAYS AND TRAILS AT ISSUE - Tuesday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Greenways and Trails Council will meet.- DeBary Hall Stable, 198 Sunrise Blvd., DeBary.
- UTILITY FUEL COSTS DEBATED - Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. - The Florida Public Service Commission will hold a regular meeting, followed by the continuation of a hearing about power-plant fuel costs.- Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee.
- ‘WELL-BEING’ COUNCIL MEETS - Tuesday, 10 a.m. - The Florida Child and Family Well-Being Council will meet.- Information at <https://www.myflfamilies.com/>
- ALZHEIMER’S AT ISSUE - Tuesday, noon. - The state Alzheimer’s Disease Advisory Committee will meet.- Florida Department of Elder Affairs, 4040 Esplanade Way, <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81960171482?pwd=RDBvYnF4K2MvVURCMC9HczB2bU9iZz09>. Meeting ID: 81960171482. Code: 762930
- BROWARD COLLEGE BOARD MEETS - Tuesday, 1 p.m. - The Broward College Board of Trustees will meet.- L.A. Lee YMCA/Mizell Community Center, 1409 Sistrunk Blvd., Fort Lauderdale.
- INSURANCE ISSUES ADDRESSED - Tuesday, 1 p.m.- The state-backed Citizens Property Insurance Corp. will hold a series of committee meetings in advance of a Board of Governors meeting Wednesday. Location: The Alford Inn, 300 East New England Ave., Winter Park. https://citizensfla.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_tDEbOvsaSxCoDyEkNIuvtQ. Call-in number: 1-786-635-1003. Code: 89801242389
- REFUGEE ISSUES ON AGENDA - Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. - The Tampa Bay Refugee Task Force will meet.- Information at <https://www.myflfamilies.com/>
- TOLL ROAD WIDENING EYED - Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. - Florida’s Turnpike Enterprise will hold an online hearing about a project that would widen part of State Road 429 in Central Florida. Location: Register at <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3762288422948945678>

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2022

- CITIZENS INSURANCE EYED - Wednesday, 8 a.m. - The Citizens Property Insurance Corp. Board of Governors will meet.- The Alford Inn, 300 East New England Ave., Winter Park. https://citizensfla.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_hESbDUMuSHet29Fx_PTdtg. Call-in number: 1-786-635-1003. Code: 95637927111
- MARSY’S LAW CASE HEARD - Wednesday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Supreme Court will hear arguments in two cases, including a high-profile dispute about a 2018 constitutional amendment known as “Marsy’s Law.” The Marsy’s Law amendment included a series of protections for crime victims. The 1st District Court of Appeal last year sided with two Tallahassee police officers who

invoked the law to prevent their identities from being released after use-of-force shooting incidents in which they were threatened. The officers argued they were victims in the incidents. The city of Tallahassee appealed to the Supreme Court and has been joined by news organizations that say the officers' names should be released.- Florida Supreme Court, 500 South Duval St., Tallahassee.

- LEE COUNTY DELEGATION MEETS - Wednesday, 9 a.m. - The Lee County legislative delegation will meet as it prepares for the 2023 session.- Florida SouthWestern State College, Nursing Building, 8099 College Parkway, Fort Myers.
- PAROLE CASES ON AGENDA - 9 a.m. - The Florida Commission on Offender Review will meet.- Betty Easley Conference Center, 4075 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 337350165
- GREENWAYS AND TRAILS AT ISSUE - Wednesday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Greenways and Trails Council will meet.- DeBary Hall Stable, 198 Sunrise Blvd., DeBary.
- MASSAGE THERAPY ISSUES ON TABLE - Wednesday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Board of Massage Therapy will meet.- <https://www.gotomeet.me/FL-BOMT/conference-calls>. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 985532741
- USF TRUSTEES MEET - Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. - The University of South Florida Board of Trustees will meet.- University of South Florida, Marshall Student Center, Tampa.
- PALM BEACH DELEGATION MEETS - Wednesday, 10 a.m. - The Palm Beach County legislative delegation will meet as it prepares for the 2023 session.- Clayton E. Hutcheson Agricultural Services Center, 559 North Military Trail, West Palm Beach.
- SOUTH FLORIDA COLLEGE BOARD MEETS - Wednesday, 1 p.m. - The South Florida State College Board of Trustees will meet.- South Florida State College, Highlands Campus, 600 West College Dr., Avon Park.
- CENTRAL FLORIDA COLLEGE BOARD MEETS - Wednesday, 3 p.m. - The College of Central Florida Board of Trustees will meet.- Appleton Museum of Art, 4333 East Silver Springs Blvd., Ocala.
- HILLSBOROUGH COLLEGE BOARD MEETS - Wednesday, 4 p.m. - The Hillsborough Community College Board of Trustees will meet.- Hillsborough Community College, Brandon Campus, 10451 Nancy Watkins Dr., Tampa.
- ESCAMBIA DELEGATION MEETS - Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. - The Escambia County legislative delegation, made up of Sen. Doug Broxson, R-Gulf Breeze, Rep. Michelle Salzman, R-Pensacola, and Rep. Alex Andrade, R-Pensacola, will meet in preparation for the 2023 session.- Pensacola State College, Jean & Paul Amos Performance Studio. 1000 College Blvd., Pensacola.
- TOLL ROAD WIDENING EYED - Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. - Florida's Turnpike Enterprise will hold a hearing about a project that would widen part of State Road 429 in Central Florida.- AdventHealth Nicholson Center, 404 Celebration Place, Celebration.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2022

- FAMU TRUSTEES MEET - Thursday, committee meeting at 8:30 a.m., full board at 9:30 a.m. - The Florida A&M University Board of Trustees will meet, after an Audit and Compliance Committee meeting.- Florida A&M University grand ballroom, Tallahassee.
- FLORIDA GULF COAST TRUSTEES MEET - Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - The Florida Gulf Coast University Board of Trustees will meet.- Florida Gulf Coast University, Cohen Student Union, 10501 FGCU Blvd. . <https://www.fgcu.edu/about/leadership/fgcuboardoftrustees/boardcast>
- OSCEOLA COUNTY DELEGATION MEETS - Thursday, 9 a.m. - The Osceola County legislative delegation, made up of Sen. Victor Torres, D-Orlando, Rep. Fred Hawkins, R-St. Cloud, Rep. Carolina Amesty, R-Windermere, Rep. Kristen Arrington, D-Kissimmee, and Rep.

Paula Stark, R-St. Cloud, will meet to prepare for the 2023 session.- Osceola County Administration Building, 1 Courthouse Square, Kissimmee.

- SOUTH FLORIDA WATER BOARD MEETS - Thursday, 9 a.m. - The South Florida Water Management District Governing Board will meet.- South Florida Water Management District, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach.
- TRANSPORTATION ON AGENDA - Thursday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Transportation Commission will meet.- Call-in number: 850-739-5589. Code: 216490778
- RESOLUTION OF CIVIL CASES AT ISSUE - Thursday, 9 a.m.- The Florida Supreme Court will hear arguments about proposed rule changes related to improved resolution of civil cases.- Florida Supreme Court, 500 South Duval St., Tallahassee.
- CHILDREN'S ISSUES CONSIDERED - Thursday, 10 a.m. - The Florida Children and Youth Cabinet will meet.- Cabinet meeting room, the Capitol.
- WORKERS' COMP ISSUES ON TABLE - Thursday, 10 a.m. - The Florida Workers' Compensation Joint Underwriting Association Board of Governors will meet.- Information at <https://www.fwcjua.com/#>
- SUPREME COURT RELEASES OPINIONS - Thursday, 11 a.m. - The Florida Supreme Court is scheduled to release its weekly opinions.
- SEMINOLE STATE TRUSTEES MEET - Thursday, 11:30 a.m. - The Seminole State College of Florida Board of Trustees will meet.- Seminole State College of Florida, Sanford/Lake Mary Campus, 100 Weldon Blvd., Sanford.
- NORTHWEST WATER BOARD MEETS - Thursday, 1 p.m. - The Northwest Florida Water Management District Governing Board will meet.- Northwest Florida Water Management District, 81 Water Management Dr., Havana.
- CONSERVATION ISSUES ADDRESSED - Thursday, 1 p.m.- The Florida Acquisition and Restoration Council, which works on land-conservation issues, will meet.- Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Marjory Stoneman Douglas Building, 3900 Commonwealth Blvd., Tallahassee.
- FLORIDA POLYTECHNIC BOARD MEETS - Thursday, 1 p.m. - The Florida Polytechnic University Board of Trustees will meet.- Call-in number: 1-415-655-0001. Code: 24359048138
- CENTRAL POLK PARKWAY EXTENSION EYED - Thursday, 5:30 p.m. - Florida's Turnpike Enterprise will hold a meeting about a proposal to extend the Central Polk Parkway.
- Location: Florida Department of Transportation District One Conference Center, 801 North Broadway Ave., Bartow.
- NORTH CENTRAL PLANNING COUNCIL MEETS - Thursday, 7 p.m. - The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council will meet.- Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, Suwannee Room, 213 Southwest Commerce Blvd., Lake City. <https://meet.goto.com/839560957>. Call-in number: 1-866-899-4679. Code: 839560957

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2022

- PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD MEETS - Friday, 8 a.m. - The Florida Board of Physical Therapy will meet.- The Shores Resort and Spa, 2637 South Atlantic Ave., Daytona Beach Shores.
- HOUSING ISSUES ON AGENDA - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - The Florida Housing Finance Corp. Board of Directors will meet in Duval County.- Hyatt Regency Jacksonville, 225 East Coastline Dr., Jacksonville.
- UF TRUSTEES MEET - Friday, 9 a.m. - The University of Florida Board of Trustees will meet.- Emerson Alumni Hall. <https://mediasite.video.ufl.edu/Mediasite/Play/a0b1fad275694f58b7772aa0d7525ebe1>

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- SUICIDE PREVENTION SOUGHT - Friday, 9 a.m. - The state Suicide Prevention Coordinating Council will meet.- Florida Department of Children and Families, 2415 North Monroe St., Tallahassee.

About the Briefing!

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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 – cdoolin@DoolinandAssoc.com

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