



The Briefing for Saturday – January 28 – 2023

The last Briefing was Tuesday– January 23 – 2023

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Bits Of Interest

Governor's Budget Rec's are coming this week!

Gov. Ron DeSantis' full budget for the 2023-2024 fiscal year faces a Feb. 5 deadline for recommending a budget to lawmakers. The governor's budget proposals outline his priorities. The Governors Recommendations is submitted to the House and Senate for lawmakers to prepare to negotiate a final spending plan during the legislative session that will start March 7.

Senate President Passidomo Outlines Affordable Housing Proposal

[Senate Bill Information Page for SB 102](#)

[Background Statement and Overview of the Affordable Housing Proposal](#)

Senate President Kathleen Passidomo (R-Naples) has outlined a statewide workforce housing strategy designed to increase the availability of attainable housing options for Florida workers who seek to live in the communities they serve. The legislation, Senate Bill 102, Housing, will be sponsored by Senator Alexis Calatayud (RMiami), Chair of the Senate Committee on Community Affairs. Tabbed the "Live Local" plan proposes to provide attainable housing options for Floridians at every income level and stage of life with a focus on ensuring our workers have an affordable, convenient place to live and raise their families. The Bill addresses the following:

- **Adds to the historically high funding for both the State Apartment Incentive Loan (SAIL) and State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Programs**
- **Creates a new corporate tax donation program**
- **provides for a refund of up to \$5,000 per unit for sales tax paid on building materials**
- **Appropriates \$100 million in the current fiscal year to provide additional gap financing through a competitive application process.**
- **Creates a tax exemption for these developments that set aside at least 70 units for affordable housing.**
- **Allows counties and municipalities the flexibility to offer, through ordinance, a property tax exemption to property owners who dedicate units for affordable housing**
- **Promotes the development of affordable multifamily housing in commercial and mixed-use area**
- **Encourages Use of Public Property for Affordable Housing**
- **The bill requires local governments to maintain a public written policy outlining procedures for expediting permits and development orders for affordable housing projects.**

Florida TaxWatch Issues Report on State and Local Tax Rates

Florida TaxWatch has released a **[comprehensive look at state and local tax rates](#)** and government revenues for all 50 states to give residents an idea of how Florida ranks compared to other states.

Legislative Events for Local Officials in Tallahassee March 14-15

 [Hotels in Tallahassee .docx](#)

March 14 – Small County Coalition Legislative Briefing and Reception

5:30pm–7:30pm – Sittig Hall – Tallahassee

This Small County Coalition event is the annual gathering of Small County Coalition members for the purpose of a status briefing on legislative issues. The event will be held in [Sittig Hall Conference Room](#) adjacent to the Kleman Plaza Public Parking and Harry's Restaurant. Hors D'oeures and Evening Refreshments will be served.

FAC Legislative Days in Tallahassee

March 15 - 2023 Legislative Day - Florida Association of Counties – FSU Turnbull Center

March 15 — Small School District Council Consortium Legislative Briefing

11:00am-12:45pm – The [Parkview at Cascades Ballroom](#)

This event is the annual Pre-FSBA Legislative Days Briefing for small school district elected officials.

FSBA Legislative Days at The Capitol

March 15-16 - 2023 Legislative Days - Florida School Boards Association – AC Marriott

WORKFORCE AND CAREER EDUCATION WEBINAR

Status Report on Workforce Realignment and other Career Tech Issues| CareerSource to Hold Webinar to Provide Update on the REACH Act Wednesday, Feb. 1, from 10-11 a.m. ET

[Meeting Packet](#)

- On Wednesday, Feb. 1, from 10-11 a.m. ET, CareerSource Florida will host the second of two statewide webinars developed exclusively for chief local elected officials to receive a project update as well as direct questions and provide input to the project team.
- The 2021 Legislature passed the [Reimagining Education and Career Help Act](#), a state law that took effect July 1, 2021, to strengthen access, alignment, and accountability of Florida's comprehensive workforce development ecosystem. The law directs a number of initiatives to implement, among a number of specific tasks, an initiative to reduce the number of local workforce development boards in Florida. CareerSource contracted with the EY (Ernst & Young LLP) consulting team to discuss the Alignment Evaluation initiative with stakeholders and local officials. To date, more than 650 local and state leaders, workforce professionals and partners have participated in nearly 150 engagement sessions since last September. The first statewide webinar for CLEOs was held Oct. 27.

Headlines Around the State

City & State FL: Statewide grand jury seeks to curb immigrant releases in Florida

NBC 6: IN DEPTH: State Education Commissioner Manny Diaz Talks AP Course Rejection and More

Sentinel: 'A beautiful course': Profs defend African American class blasted by DeSantis

[The Hill: Trump calls for principals to be elected by students' parents](#)

Times: University of Florida COVID shutdown case goes to Supreme Court

Daily News: Florida Senate seeks to bolster workforce housing

Times: St. Petersburg, Hillsborough net extra US aid for housing

Times: Pasco Republican leader urges county commissioners to end budget dispute

WUSF: Affordable housing for the Tropicana Field redevelopment plans hinges on government incentives

WUSF: Hillsborough commissioners are working on how to spend funds from the 2018 transportation tax

Sentinel: Disney unions urge no vote on proposed contract, seeking better pay

Democrat: Tallahassee monitoring talk in Legislature about more state oversight of city-run electric utilities

Post: GOP chief Ronna McDaniel wins re-election despite DeSantis opposition

Herald Tribune: Joe Gruters streak in GOP leadership coming to a close after 15 years

FlaPol: Joe Gruters loses bid for RNC Treasurer to K.C. Crosbie

FlaPol: Ron DeSantis wins Azealia Banks Primary

NBC 6: Hurricane Ian Memorial Removed, But That's Not the End

FlaPol: Florida leaders express outrage over Tyre Nichols' murder by Memphis police

Sentinel: 'The Memphis footage made me want to throw up': Central Florida leaders react to video showing Tyre Nichols' death

NYTimes: Two Florida Officers Are Charged in Beating of Homeless Man

WLRN: Miami museum set to return over 100 remains from indigenous burial sites to Seminole Tribe

Daily News: Lee students must use bathroom of birth sex, new policy states

City & State FL: Flags in Florida at half-staff for pioneering aviator Joseph Kittinger Jr.

On The Docket This Week

MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2023

- DUVAL DELEGATIONS - Monday, 10 a.m. Jacksonville City Council chamber, 117 West Duval St., Jacksonville.
- RENNER HOLDS NEWS CONFERENCE - Monday, 10:30 a.m.- Old Capitol, Tallahassee.
- TAYLOR COUNTY DELEGATIONS - Monday, 11 a.m. - Taylor County Commissioning room, 201 East Green St., Perry.
- JEFFERSON COUNTY DELEGATIONS - Monday, 1 p.m. - Jefferson County Courthouse Annex, 1 Courthouse Circle, Monticello.
- WAKULLA COUNTY DELEGATIONS - Monday, 4 p.m. - The Wakulla County legislative delegation, made up of Sen. Corey Simon, R-Tallahassee, and Rep. Jason Shoaf, R-Port St. Joe, will in advance of the 2023 session. - Wakulla County Commission chamber, 29 Arran Road, Crawfordville.
- EXPRESSWAY WIDENING - Monday, 6 p.m. - The Florida Department of Transportation and Florida's Turnpike Enterprise will hold aing on a project-development and environment study for widening the Sawgrass Expressway in Broward County from west of U.S. 441 to Powerline Road. - Information at www.Sawgrass441toPowerline.com

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2023

- FRANKLIN COUNTY DELEGATIONS - Tuesday, 11 a.m. - The Franklin County legislative delegation, made up of Sen. Corey Simon, R-Tallahassee, and Rep. Jason Shoaf, R-Port St. Joe, will in advance of the 2023 session. - Franklin County Courthouse Annex, 34 Forbes St., Apalachicola.
- TRIUMPH GULF COASTS - Tuesday, 1 p.m. - The Triumph Gulf Coast board, which helps administer settlement money from the Deepwater Horizon disaster, will in Gulf County. - Port St. Joe City Commission Chamber, 2775 Garrison Ave., Port St. Joe.
- KEYS COLLEGE BOARDS - Tuesday, 2 p.m. - The Board of Trustees of The College of the Florida Keys will. - The College of the Florida Keys, Upper Keys Center, 106040 Overseas Highway, Key Largo.

- LIBERTY COUNTY DELEGATIONS - Tuesday, 3 p.m. - The Liberty County legislative delegation, made up of Sen. Corey Simon, R-Tallahassee, and Rep. Jason Shoaf, R-Port St. Joe, will in advance of the 2023 session. - Liberty County Courthouse, 10818 N.W. State Road 20, Bristol.
- GULF COUNTY DELEGATIONS - Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. - The Gulf County legislative delegation, made up of Sen. Corey Simon, R-Tallahassee, and Rep. Jason Shoaf, R-Port St. Joe, will in advance of the 2023 session. - Robert Moore Administration Building, 1000 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2023

- HIGHLANDS DELEGATIONS - Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. - The Highlands County legislative delegation, made up of Sen. Erin Grall, R-Vero Beach, and Rep. Kaylee Tuck, R-Lake Placid, will in advance of the 2023 session. - Highlands County Government Center, 600 South Commerce Ave., Sebring.
- UNEMPLOYMENT CASES - Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. - The state Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission will. - 1211 Governors Square Blvd., Suite 300, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 850-988-5144. Conference ID: 175899214
- WATER QUALITY - Wednesday, 10 a.m. - The state's Blue-Green Algae Task Force will in Miami-Dade County. - Florida International University, Biscayne Bay Campus, Wolfe University Center, 3000 N.E. 151st St., North Miami Beach. <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/634661629129580384>
- GLADES COUNTY DELEGATIONS - Wednesday, 1:30 p.m. - The Glades County legislative delegation, made up of Sen. Erin Grall, R-Vero Beach, and Rep. Kaylee Tuck, R-Lake Placid, will in advance of the 2023 session. - Glades County Courthouse, 500 Avenue J S.W., Moore Haven.
- OKEECHOBEE COUNTY DELEGATIONS - Wednesday, 3:30 p.m. - The Okeechobee County legislative delegation, made up of Sen. Erin Grall, R-Vero Beach, and Rep. Kaylee Tuck, R-Lake Placid, will in advance of the 2023 session. - 304 N.W. Second St., Okeechobee.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2023

- DRUG POLICY - Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - The Statewide Drug Policy Advisory Council will. - <http://floridahealth.gov/DPACMeeting>. Call-in number: 850-792-1375. Code: 201614413
- BROWARD DELEGATION, SCHOOL BOARD - Thursday, 9:30 a.m. The Broward County legislative delegation will hold a workshop with the Broward County School Board. - Broward County Public Schools, 600 S.E. Third Ave., Fort Lauderdale.
- NORTHEAST FLORIDA COUNCILS - Thursday, 10 a.m. - The Northeast Florida Regional Council will. - Northeast Florida Regional Council, 100 Festival Park Ave., Jacksonville. <https://nefrc-org.zoom.us/j/87499770491>.ing ID: 87499770491
- SUPREME COURT RELEASES OPINIONS - Thursday, 11 a.m. - The Florida Supreme Court is scheduled to release opinions.
- GULF CONSORTIUMS - Thursday, 4:30 p.m. - The Gulf Consortium Board of Directors will. - <https://meet.goto.com/176854197>. Call-in number: 1-872-240-3212. Code: 176854197

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2023

- 'IMPACT' CONFERENCE - Friday, 9 a.m. - The Revenue Estimating Conference will hold an "impact" conference, which involves estimating the potential costs of legislation. - 117 Knott Building, the Capitol. - <https://meet.goto.com/157374045>. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 157374045
- HISTORICAL PANELS - Friday, 9:30 a.m. - The Florida Historical Commission will. - <https://dos-myflorida.zoom.us/j/89706638603?pwd=Q0JLYXlVtS2tnYkoyTnNDWWZiZDM4UT09>.ing ID: 89706638603. Passcode: 094020

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