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***Don't spend the money until the Governor approves SB 2500
Governor has fifteen days to act on bill after it is sent to his office!***

The Briefing for Wednesday – May 17 - 2023

The last Briefing was Saturday, May 13, 2023

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

Upcoming Meetings

June 7–9 - FSBA/FADSS Summer Conference, Grand Hyatt Tampa Bay

June 8 - Small School District Breakfast

June 27-30 - FAC Annual Summer Conference

June 28 - Small County Coalition Annual Meeting

The Clock is running on some but not all bills.

Status of bills as of today -

Bills Vetoed – 0

Bills signed into law – 85

Bills that have been presented but no action yet! – 60

Bills Waiting to Be Presented – 210

Note – the General Appropriation Bill – SB 2500 has not been presented yet

Expect Line-Item Vetoes of funding items in the Budget

County By County Funding Contained in the 2023-24 General Appropriations Act

COUNTY BY COUNTY ALLOCATIONS

Fiscal Year 2023-2024 General Appropriations Act

Summaries of Bills Passing the 2023 Legislative Session

Bill Summaries of Legislation Passing the 2023 Legislative Session

Legislative Report for the Small County Coalition

SCC - Final Legislative Report for the 2023 Regular Legislative Session - May 2023 .docx

Legislative Reports for the Small School District Council Consortium

SSDCC 2023 -Legislative Report -May 8.docx
SSDCC Final Legislative Report - May 15 .docx

Headlines Around the State

CBS Miami: What a potential Ron DeSantis 2024 presidential race means for Florida

The Floridian: Trump and DeSantis Throw Jabs Before Primary Showdown

Politico: DeSantis snaps back at Trump over Florida's 6-week abortion ban

News4Jax: DeSantis criticizes Trump for implying Florida abortion ban is 'too harsh'

FlaPol: Ron DeSantis rips Donald Trump dodge on abortion question

ABC News: DeSantis' brand as a 'fighter' on the line as Trump throws haymakers

Politico: DeSantis to gather top donors as presidential launch looms

The Hill: GOP pushes DeSantis to reset media strategy as Trump news dominates

CBS Miami: Florida GOP voter edge continues to grow

Politico: 5 things to know about the Florida judge who blocked Biden's immigration plan

Post: What we know: DeSantis rips Biden on immigration while signing bills in South Florida

Herald Tribune: DeSantis says Florida forces will help police the border

News4Jax: Florida sending troops, officers to Texas to help with border control

Axios: Florida, Idaho governors answer Abbott's call to send officers to Texas border

The Capitolist: DeSantis: 800 Florida National Guard troops, police ready to deploy to Texas-Mexico border

FlaPol: Ron DeSantis doubles down on defense of 'good Samaritan' subway vigilante

FlaPol: Piers Morgan likens Ron DeSantis to Muhammad Ali

The Floridian: Gaetz, Moskowitz Introduce Bill to Protect National Cemeteries if Debt Ceiling Negotiations Breakdown

My News 13: Florida obtains preliminary injunction on 'parole with conditions' policy

Sentinel: Florida federal judge keeps immigration ruling in place banning border parole

News4Jax: Disney asks judge to dismiss DeSantis-appointed board's lawsuit in latest tit-for-tat

Herald: This billionaire and major DeSantis donor gave Miami Mayor Francis Suarez \$1 million

My News 13: Jobs, tourism in Florida at risk if debt limit deal falters

CBS Miami: Federal judge dismisses Andrew Gillum case following mistrial

DBNJ: Florida's sexual assault kit tracking database now available statewide. What to know

WUSF: A national civil rights figure will address students at New College's alternative commencement

Herald: UM provost to step down, second top leader to be leaving the U

The Hill: How DeSantis benefited from Florida's changing politics

The Capitolist: Kathleen Passidomo, Paul Renner endorse DeSantis for President

NYTimes: DeSantis Goes 0-for-2 on Election Night

News4Jax: DeSantis signs bills designed to 'put human traffickers out of business' in Florida

Sun-Sentinel: Gov. Ron DeSantis signs anti-trafficking bill that cracks down on hotels, protects foster kids and helps victims

City & State FL: Legislation covering LGBTQ issues teed up for DeSantis

Democrat: Are politics of pot at play in Florida AG's challenge of recreational marijuana initiative?

My News 13: Disney asks state court to dismiss DeSantis-appointed boards lawsuit

WLRN: Florida lawmakers revamp law protecting police from budget cuts

Herald: State may question Florida students who watched Disney film with gay character in class

City & State FL: On education funding: Two approaches, and it's not clear either one works

The Capitolist: Industry leaders, state lawmakers deliberate healthcare professional shortage

FlaPol: Period activists roll through Tallahassee in their Vagina after menstrual controversy

Politico: Dems beat DeSantis-endorsed candidate in Florida's biggest city

News4Jax: 'We made history tonight': Donna Deegan becomes Jacksonville's first female mayor

Times-Union: 'Not the outcome we hoped for': Daniel Davis concedes mayor race to Donna Deegan

City & State FL: Donna Deegan flips Jacksonville mayor's office blue

News4Jax: 'I will never stop loving my city': Daniel Davis concedes to Donna Deegan

PNJ: 'Radioactive' roads? Phosphogypsum could be used in Florida paving if HB 1191 passes. Here's what it is

Democrat: Schools to start later for Florida middle, high schoolers. 9 things to know about new law

FlaPol: Full House: Ryan Chamberlin wins HD 24 Special Election

FlaPol: Ryan Chamberlin ready to govern after HD 24 win

FlaPol: LGBTQ group cancels, refunds Fabián Basabe's tickets for 'Champions of Equality' gala

Ledger: Polk County legislators tout bill successes, local funding at Lakeland Chamber breakfast

WUSF: The Manatee County School Board elects a new superintendent to replace Saunders

PNJ: Escambia school board terminates Superintendent Tim Smith in surprise vote

Times-Union: Duval School Board exploring outsiders, in-house veteran for interim superintendent role

Sun: Jury splits verdicts for former inmate charged with voter fraud crimes

On the Docket

THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2023

- HEALTHY KIDS PROGRAM - Thursday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Healthy Kids Corp. Board of Directors will meet. - Hyatt Regency Orlando International Airport, 9300 Jeff Fuqua Blvd., Orlando. Call-in number: 850-792-4925. Code: 761264624
- FSDB BOARD - Thursday, 9 a.m. - The Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind Board of Trustees will meet. - Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, Moore Hall, 207 San Marco Ave., St. Augustine.
- DEFENSE ISSUES - Thursday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Defense Support Task Force will meet. - Four Points by Sheraton Tallahassee Downtown, 316 West Tennessee St., Tallahassee.
- GULF COAST STATE TRUSTEES - Thursday, 10 a.m. - The Gulf Coast State College Board of Trustees will meet in Gulf County. - Gulf Coast State College, Gulf/Franklin Campus, 3800 Garrison St., Port St. Joe.
- REFUGEE ISSUES - Thursday, 10 a.m. - The Broward Refugee Task Force will meet. - Information at <http://www.myflfamilies.com/news-events/public-events-meetings/broward-refugee-task-force-meeting>
- SUPREME COURT RELEASES OPINIONS - Thursday, 11 a.m. - The Florida Supreme Court is scheduled to release opinions. SIMPSON SPEAKS AT TIGER BAY - Thursday, noon. - Agriculture Commissioner Wilton Simpson will speak to the Capital Tiger Bay Club. - Donald L. Tucker Civic Center, 505 West Pensacola St., Tallahassee.
- CHILDREN'S ISSUES - Thursday, 1 p.m. - The Florida Children and Youth Cabinet is scheduled to meet. - Florida Department of Education, Turlington Building, 325 West Gaines St., Tallahassee.
- DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES - Thursday, 1 p.m. - The Florida Developmental Disabilities Council will meet. - Florida Hotel & Conference Center, 1500 Sand Lake Road, Orlando.

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2023

- DENTISTRY ISSUES - Friday, 7:30 a.m. - The Florida Board of Dentistry will meet. - Aloft Jacksonville Tapestry Park, 4812 West Deer Lake Dr. Jacksonville.
- TRANSGENDER CARE - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - U.S. District Judge Robert Hinkle will hold a hearing on a request for a preliminary injunction against state bans on doctors providing treatments such as puberty blockers and hormone therapy to transgender minors. The bans were approved by the state Board of Medicine and the state Board of Osteopathic Medicine. - United States Courthouse, 111 North Adams St., Tallahassee.
- IMMIGRATION POLICY - Friday, 9 a.m. - U.S. District Judge T. Kent Wetherell is scheduled to hold a hearing in a request by Florida Attorney General Ashley Moody for a preliminary injunction against a new federal immigration policy that would lead to releasing migrants who cross the country's southern border. Wetherell issued a temporary restraining order against the policy on May 11. - United States Courthouse, 1 North Palafox St., Pensacola.

- TRANSPORTATION ISSUES - Friday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Transportation Commission will meet. - Orlando International Airport, Greater Orlando Aviation Authority offices, 1 Jeff Fuqua Blvd., Orlando.
- DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES - Friday, 9:30 a.m. - The Florida Developmental Disabilities Council will meet. - Florida Hotel & Conference Center, 1500 Sand Lake Road, Orlando.
- JOBLESS REPORT RELEASED - Friday, 10 a.m. - The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity will release an April unemployment report.
- REFUGEE ISSUES - Friday, 10 a.m. - The Palm Beach Area Refugee Task Force will meet. - Information at <http://www.myflfamilies.com/news-events/public-events-meetings/palm-beach-area-refugee-task-force-meeting>
- MEDICAL EXAMINERS PANEL - Friday, 10 a.m. - The state Medical Examiners Commission will meet. - Embassy Suites by Hilton Orlando Lake Buena Vista South, 4955 Kyngs Heath Road, Kissimmee.
- LEGISLATIVE SESSION - Friday, 11:30 a.m. - The Jackson County Chamber of Commerce will hold a luncheon to discuss the 2023 legislative session. The county's delegation is made up of Sen. Jay Trumbull, R-Panama City, and Rep. Shane Abbott, R-DeFuniak Springs. - Rivertown Community Church, 4534 Lafayette St., Marianna.

SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023

- EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION - Saturday, 11:30 a.m. - Secretary of State Cord Byrd will take part in an event to mark the anniversary of the May 20, 1865, announcement of the Emancipation Proclamation in Florida. - Knott House Museum, 301 East Park Ave., Tallahassee.

Legislative Reports

[SCC - Legislative Report for the 2023 Regular Legislative Session - May 9, 2023](#)

[SSDCC 2023 -Legislative Report -May 8](#)

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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