



The Briefing for October 23, 2023

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

College Football link-

College Football Schedule - Week 9 Regular Season, 2023 - ESPN

Big Games

Florida vs Georgia

FSU at Wake Forest

Virginia at Miami

West Virginia at UCF

FAU at Charlotte

Prefiled Legislation

As of today- 246 bills have been pre-filed for consideration

120 bills have been filed in the Senate

126 bills have been filed in the House

Local Government Related Bills Prefiled - As of 10-23-23 .docx

36 bills relate in some fashion to local government

Education Related Proposals filed as of 10-23-23 .docx

35 bills related in some fashion to education

Links to Monitor the Legislative Session

Link to the Florida Senate

Link to the Florida House of Representatives

The Florida Channel

Draft Legislative Programs

Small School District Council Consortium - 2024 Legislative Priorities - Draft - August 2023 .docx

The Small County Coalition - 2024 Legislative Program - October 2023 .docx

Local Funding Request Forms for Senate and House
Senate 24-25 Local Funding Initiative Request Form
2024-25 Local Funding Initiative Request Form [PDF]
2024-25 Local Funding Initiative Requests
Prior Years Local Funding Initiative Requests

House Local Funding Documents

Submission Deadline: 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 14, 2023.

House Appropriations Project Request Form FY 2024-25
Appropriations Project Request Form Guidance - FY 2024-25
Attestation Form - FY 2024-25
Frequently Asked Questions and Materials: House Appropriations Projects

Delegation Hearings Continue

The coming weeks will be busy with legislative delegation meetings. The 2024 session will start Jan. 9. The meetings invite local elected officials, businesspeople and members of the public to meet with county delegation members.

Here's next weeks schedule for delegation hearings in small counties:

- Monday – Columbia, Taylor, Union, Jefferson, Baker, and Madison
- Tuesday - Santa Rosa
- Wednesday – Gilchrist and Nassau
- Thursday – Hernando and Sumter

Hearings Schedule for the following week:

- Monday – Dixie, Citrus, Lafayette, and Okaloosa
- Wednesday – Hardee, and Bradford
- Thursday – Monroe

ON THE DOCKET FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 23

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2023

- MIAMI DADE COLLEGE BOARD - Tuesday, 8 a.m. The Miami Dade College Board of Trustees will meet. Miami Dade College, Wolfson Campus, 300 N.E. Second Ave., Miami. <https://www.mdc.edu/livestream>
- SOUTHWEST FLORIDA WATER BOARD - Tuesday, 9 a.m. The Southwest Florida Water Management District Governing Board will meet. Southwest Florida Water Management District, 7601 U.S. 301 North, Tampa.
- MOSQUITO CONTROL - Tuesday, 10 a.m. The Florida Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control will meet. Citrus County Mosquito Control District, 968 North Lecanto Highway, Lecanto.

- PATRONIS SPEAKS AT TIGER BAY - Tuesday, noon. State Chief Financial Officer Jimmy Patronis will speak to the Capital Tiger Bay Club. Donald L. Tucker Civic Center, 505 West Pensacola St., Tallahassee.
- BROWARD DELEGATION - Tuesday, 12:30 p.m. The Broward County legislative delegation will hold a workshop with the Broward County Commission, followed by a 2:30 p.m. workshop with the Broward League of Cities. Broward Governmental Center, 115 South Andrews Ave., Fort Lauderdale.
- BROWARD COLLEGE BOARD - Tuesday, 1 p.m. The Broward College Board of Trustees will meet. Broward College, North Campus, 1000 Coconut Creek Blvd., Coconut Creek.
- 'CAT FUND' - Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. The Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund Advisory Council will meet. Hermitage Centre, 1801 Hermitage Blvd., Tallahassee. Call-in number: 1-872-242-7651. Code: 924613214
- VOLUSIA DELEGATION - Tuesday, 3 p.m. The Volusia County legislative delegation will meet as it prepares for the 2024 session, which will start in January. DeLand City Hall, 120 South Florida Ave., DeLand.
- SANTA ROSA DELEGATION - Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. The Santa Rosa County legislative delegation will meet as it prepares for the 2024 session, which will start in January. 6464 Gulf Breeze Blvd., Gulf Breeze.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2023

- DRUG POLICY PANEL - Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. The Statewide Drug Policy Advisory Council, which makes recommendations about a state drug-control strategy, will meet. Florida Department of Health, 4052 Bald Cypress Way, Tallahassee.
- STATE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION - Wednesday, 9 a.m. Gov. Ron DeSantis, Attorney General Ashley Moody and Chief Financial Officer Jimmy Patronis will meet in their role as the Board of Trustees of the State Board of Administration. DeSantis and the Cabinet members will participate by phone. Public access in the Cabinet meeting room at the Capitol.
- CITRUS ISSUES - Wednesday, 9 a.m. The Florida Citrus Commission will meet. Florida Department of Citrus, 605 E. Main St., Bartow.
- HURRICANE LOSS PANEL - Wednesday, 9 a.m. The Florida Commission on Hurricane Loss Projection Methodology will meet. Hermitage Centre, 1801 Hermitage Blvd., Tallahassee. Call-in number: 1-415-655-0052. Code: 166495316
- TOURISM OVERSIGHT DISTRICT - Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. The Central Florida Tourism Oversight District Board of Supervisors will meet. District administration building, 1900 Hotel Plaza Blvd., Lake Buena Vista.
- UNEMPLOYMENT CASES - Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. The state Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission will meet. Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission, 1211 Governors Square Blvd., Suite 300, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 850-988-5144. Conference ID: 686974885
- GILCHRIST DELEGATION - Wednesday, 10 a.m. The Gilchrist County legislative delegation will meet as it prepares for the 2024 session, which will start in January. Location; Gilchrist County Commission, 210 South Main St., Trenton.
- HILLSBOROUGH COLLEGE BOARD - Wednesday, 1 p.m. The Hillsborough Community College Board of Trustees will meet. Hillsborough Community College, Dr. Gwendolyn W. Stephenson District Administration Center, 4115 North Lois Ave., Tampa.

- ALACHUA DELEGATION - Wednesday, 1:30 p.m. The Alachua County legislative delegation will meet as it prepares for the 2024 session, which will start in January. Santa Fe College, Joseph W. Fordyce Building, 3000 N.W. 83rd St., Gainesville.
- DEVELOPMENT FINANCE BOARD - Wednesday, 2 p.m. The Florida Development Finance Corp. Board of Directors will meet. Florida Development Finance Corp., 156 Tuskawilla Road; Suite 2340, Winter Springs. <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89583869811?pwd=Zu6bbEofh7gu> B93ALHhRgr7DS1RTJD .1. Call-in number: 1-646-558-8656. Code: 89583869811
- NASSAU DELEGATION - Wednesday, 3 p.m. The Nassau County legislative delegation will meet as it prepares for the 2024 session, which will start in January. Nassau County Commission chamber, 96135 Nassau Place, Yulee.
- BREVARD DELEGATION - Wednesday, 3 p.m. The Brevard County legislative delegation is scheduled to meet as it prepares for the 2024 session, which will start in January. Canaveral Port Authority, Port Maritime Center, 445 Challenger Road, Cape Canaveral.
- CENTRAL FLORIDA COLLEGE BOARD - Wednesday, 3 p.m. The College of Central Florida Board of Trustees will meet. College of Central Florida Vintage Farm, 4020 S.E. Third Ave., Ocala.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023

- COUNCIL FOR THE BLIND - Thursday, 8:30 a.m. The Florida Rehabilitation Council for the Blind will meet. Hilton Tampa Airport Westshore, 2225 North Lois Ave., Tampa.
- HERNANDO DELEGATION - Thursday, 9 a.m. The Hernando County legislative delegation will meet as it prepares for the 2024 session, which will start in January. Hernando County Government Center, 20 North Main St., Brooksville.
- SARASOTA DELEGATION - Thursday, 9 a.m. The Sarasota County legislative delegation is scheduled to meet as it prepares for the 2024 session, which will start in January. Sarasota County Commission chamber, 1660 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota.
- MUSEUM OF BLACK HISTORY - Thursday, 9 a.m. The Florida Museum of Black History Task Force will meet. R.A. Gray Building, 500 South Bronough St., Tallahassee. <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3147074291914638168>
- MASSAGE THERAPY BOARD - Thursday, 9 a.m. The Florida Board of Massage Therapy will meet. Hilton Palm Beach Airport, 150 Australian Ave., West Palm Beach.
- JUDICIAL CANDIDATES INTERVIEWED - Thursday, 9:45 a.m. The 4th Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission will interview candidates for a circuit judge position. The 4th Judicial Circuit is made up of Duval, Clay and Nassau counties. Candidates scheduled to be interviewed are Jordan Beard, Marquita Green, David Wainer, Nancy Cleaveland, Joshua Beard, Melissa Merritt, Matthew Lufrano, L.E. Hutton, Geraldine Hartin and Megan Kelley. Duval County Courthouse, Room 7139, 501 West Adams St., Jacksonville.
- APALACHEE COUNCIL - Thursday, 10 a.m. The Apalachee Regional Planning Council will meet. Information at <https://www.arpc.org/board-packages>
- SUPREME COURT RELEASES OPINIONS - Thursday, 11 a.m. The Florida Supreme Court is expected to release regular weekly opinions.
- PINELLAS DELEGATION - Thursday, 1 p.m. The Pinellas County legislative delegation will meet as it prepares for the 2024 session, which will start in January. St. Petersburg College, Seminole Campus, 9200 113th St. North, Seminole.

- SUMTER DELEGATION - Thursday, 1 p.m. The Sumter County legislative delegation is scheduled to meet as it prepares for the 2024 session, which will start in January. Sumter County Government Building, 7375 Powell Road, Wildwood.
- CHILDREN'S ISSUES ON AGENDA - Thursday, 1 p.m. The Florida Children and Youth Cabinet will meet. Florida Sheriffs Youth Ranches, Don Genung Training and Resource Center, 3180 Enterprise Road East, Safety Harbor.
- GREGORY RAISES MONEY - Thursday, 5:30 p.m. A fundraising event is scheduled for Rep. Tommy Gregory, R-Lakewood Ranch. Grove, 10670 Boardwalk Loop, Lakewood Ranch.
- ESCAMBIA DELEGATION - Thursday, 5:30 p.m. The Escambia County legislative delegation will meet as it prepares for the 2024 session, which will start in January. Pensacola State College, Jean & Paul Amos Performance Studio. 1000 College Blvd., Pensacola.
- WALTZ SPEAKS IN PALM BEACH - Thursday, 6 p.m. U.S. Rep. Mike Waltz, R-Fla., will speak to the Palm Beach Republican Club. The Colony Hotel Pavilion, 155 Hammon Ave., Palm Beach.
- NORTH CENTRAL COUNCIL - Thursday, 7 p.m. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council will meet. Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, 213 S.W. Commerce Blvd., Lake City. Call-in number: 1-866-899-4679. Code: 602999133.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2023

- HOUSING ISSUES ON AGENDA - Friday, 8:30 a.m. The Florida Housing Finance Corp. Board of Directors will meet. Hyatt Regency Coral Gables. 50 Alhambra Plaza, Coral Gables.
- FSDB TRUSTEES MEET - Friday, 10 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.
- DEMOCRATS HOLD CONVENTION - Friday, 7 p.m. The Florida Democratic Party will start an annual convention that will continue until Oct. 29.
- Rosen Centre Hotel, 9840 International Dr., Orlando.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2023

- EARLY VOTING STARTS IN SPECIAL ELECTION - Early voting will start in a Nov. 7 special primary election in House District 35 in Orange and Osceola counties. The special election was called after former Rep. Fred Hawkins, R-St. Cloud, was appointed president of South Florida State College. The special general election will be Jan. 16.

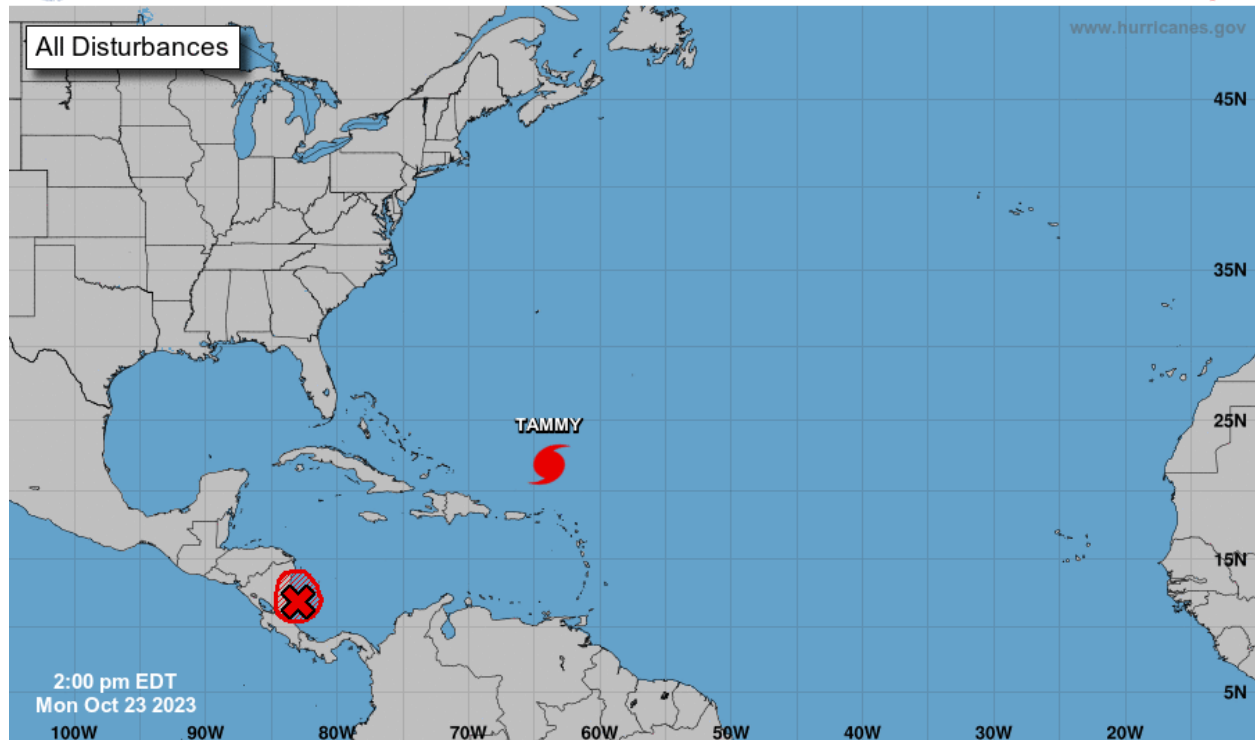
Tropical Outlook

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



Seven-Day Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook

National Hurricane Center Miami, Florida



Current Disturbances and Seven-Day Cyclone Formation Chance: < 40% 40-60% > 60%
 Tropical or Sub-Tropical Cyclone: Depression Storm Hurricane
 Post-Tropical Cyclone or Remnants

Headlines Around The State

The Hill: Haley, DeSantis spar for second as 2024 primary closes in

Herald Tribune: Piggybacking pattern? DeSantis flights blur line between state travel, campaign

Sentinel: America's school librarians landed in Florida. 'How could we not?'

The Floridian: Other States Look to Florida in Big Tech Battle

WUSF: Peanut Butter Challenge encourages counties to help food-insecure Floridians

Sentinel: Questions and concerns linger as Pulse property deal heads to vote

WUSF: Former state Supreme Court justice: Despite outrage over Hamas attack, honor the First Amendment

Times: DeSantis staffers continue to leave Florida government for 2024 campaign

Sentinel: Florida-Israel connection: How state cultivates its Jewish ties

FlaPol: Veterans, military affairs among priorities for could-be-Gov. Jeannette Nuñez

Times: Florida rule would limit talk of 'social issues' at public universities

Post: 'Stop at nothing': The hard-driving trustee at the center of FAU's big wins and woes

WUSF: Experts urge Floridians to make long-term care plans before a health crisis

Bradenton Herald: How the son of a Florida governor ended up leading a landmark Bradenton Beach restaurant

News-Press: Florida panther deaths are low in 2023, biologist says

Rural Counties Day 2024

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January 24-25

At the Florida Capitol

For additional information -

 [Rural County Days - 2024 Jan 24-25.docx](#)

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