## Week Two In The Book! 11 Days Down – 49 to Go! See you in Tally this week!

Next week in Tally - Clear Skies - Temp between Mid40's and Upper 60's

# The Briefing for March 15, 2025

The Last Briefing was March 13, 2025

#### What's the weather outlook?

10-Day Weather Forecast for Tallahassee, FL – The Weather Channel | weather.com

#### What Day Is It?

#### **Tuesday**

Cancer Action Day - BOMA Day - Home Care Day - Broward Day Taste of Florida Agriculture Reception - Small County Coalition Legislative Reception

#### **Wednesday**

Florida Association of Counties Day - AARP Day - Catholic Day FSU Day - Florida School Boards Association Day

#### **Thursday**

Deloitte Device Day – Florida Poly Day

#### Calendars for Week 3

**House Calendar for Week Three** 

Senate Calendar link not working -

#### **County Commission Term Limits Up in Senate Committee this Monday**

**On Monday, March 17th at 1:30 PM**, the Senate Ethics and Elections committee is scheduled to hear **SB 802** which would impose 8-year term limits on county commissioners, regardless of those already set by county charter. Florida's counties vary, and the decision to adopt term limits should be determined locally by charter review. There is no one-size-fits-all approach.

The House companion HB 679 has not yet been heard.

Please email or call committee members and ask them to vote no on SB 802.

Committee Members for Senate Ethics and Elections \

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- Sen. Polsky, <u>Polsky.tina.web@flsenate.gov</u>, (850) 487-5030
- Sen. Rouson, **Rouson.darryl.web@flsenate.gov**, (850) 487-5016

# SB 1304 - Solar Facilities - Will be Heard in Senate Regulated Industries Wednesday - 9:00am - 412 Knott

This bill is important to sustaining traditional agriculture and proper growth management. Senator Bradley's Revises Florida statutes to enhance and specify decommissioning requirements for solar facilities on agricultural land.

- Redefines legislative intent to ensure that solar facilities on agricultural land are returned to their original state and remain viable for agricultural use post-decommissioning.
- Defines "agricultural land" and "decommissioned," focusing on restoring land to a condition similar to its pre-solar facility state.
- Authorizes counties to require the proper decommissioning of solar facilities that are built on agricultural lands and exceed 2 megawatts upon their lifecycle completion.
- Establishes conditions under which counties can presume a solar facility has reached the end of its useful life, such as a year without power production or indications of abandonment.
- Allows solar facility owners to rebut end-of-life presumptions by providing specific plans and assurances to continue operation or construction.
- Enables counties to demand financial assurance from facility owners for potential decommissioning costs, requiring updates every 5 years.
- Permits county action to enforce decommissioning, including the forfeiture of financial assurances if a solar facility owner fails to meet obligations.
- Eliminates previous provisions that automatically permitted solar facilities in certain agricultural zones and mandated specific siting and landscaping regulations.
- Adjusts the applicability to exclude solar facility sites with applications submitted before July 1, 2025.
- Removes exemptions allowing solar facility substations from local government land development regulations, now permitting local control with standards for compatibility.
- Effective Date: 7/1/2025

#### **Revenue Projections Adjusted Upwards**

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY - March General Revenue Estimate

The State Revenue Estimating Conference, a panel of state economists, met Friday to adjust revenue projections for the FY24-25 and FY 25-25.

- The sales-tax estimate was increased by about \$1.3 billion for the current fiscal year and next year. Up \$510 million for this fiscal year and an increase of \$385.4 million for 2025-2026.
- Projected revenue from corporate income taxes was decreased by \$221.8 million --- over the two years.

Updated estimates will be used by the current legislature to craft the fiscal year 2025-2026 budget, which will take effect July 1.

Future is uncertain – State economists sited two recent surveys indicating a drop in consumer confidences.

- The University of Michigan issued an advisory indicating national consumer sentiment had reached its lowest reading in over two years.
- The University of Florida's Bureau of Economic and Business Research found a "sharp" decline in consumer confidence among Floridians after three consecutive months of increases following the November presidential election.

#### **Legislator Contacts**

https://www.flhouse.gov/representatives

https://flsenate.gov/Senators

#### **Scheduled Activities for Next Week**

#### Tuesday - March 18th -

• 5:15pm-7:00pm - Small County Coalition Legislative Reception - American Institute of Architects Florida Headquarters - 104 E. Jefferson St., Tallahassee –

#### Wednesday – March 19<sup>th</sup> –

- 8:00am-10:00am Florida Association of Counties Legislative Briefing
- 9:45am-11:15am Small School District Council Consortium Legislative Briefing -
- 11:30 -Noon -Senate Chamber A Visit with Senate Leadership
- 5:15—6:15pm Florida School Boards Association Reception
- 5:30-7:30PM Florida Association of Counties Legislative Reception
- 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Rural Counties Day Opening Reception

#### Thursday, March 20th -

- 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Rural Counties Day
- 11:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. Rural Counties Day Fish Fry -

#### Major Issues

Rural Renaissance -Senate Bill 110 and HB 1427 - Staff Analysis of SB 110

County Commission/Schools Board Term Limits – SB 802 and HJR 679

Property Tax Issues - - Property Tax Overview - Property Tax Bills 2025

Affordable Housing – HB 247 and SB 184 - Staff Analysis of SB 184

Sovereign Immunity – HB 301 and SB 1570 – Analysis of Sovereign Immunity Legislation

Regional Planning Councils -- HB 1125 and SB 1264

Solar Fields – SB 1304 and HB 1595

Private Provider Inspection Services –HB 695 and SB 1474

Affordable Housing –SB 1730 and HB 943

Agriculture –SB 700 and HB 651

School Start Time - SB 296 and HB 261

Elected Superintendents and Elimination of At Large Seats –SJR 1454 and HJR 1263

Efficiency in Public Schools – SB 166 – No House Companion

Hazardous Walking Conditions -SB 650 and HB 85 HB 85

School Safety -SB 1470 and HB 1403

Family Empowerment –SB 508 and HB 423

Private School Student Participation In Sports -<u>SB 248</u> and <u>HB 151</u>

Administrative Efficiency in Public Schools -<u>SB 166</u> -<u>Staff Analysis of SB 166</u>

Hazardous Walking Conditions - <u>CS/HB 85</u> and <u>SB 650</u> -<u>Staff Analysis of HB 85</u>

Charter School Conversion - Limitations on Surplus Land and Land Purchase

-<u>CS/HB 123</u> and <u>SB 140</u> - <u>Staff Analysis of CS/HB 123</u>

Diabetes Management in Schools - <u>CS/HB 597</u> and <u>SB 772</u> -<u>Staff Analysis of HB 597</u>

#### **Headlines Around The State**

FlaPol: Chad Johnson's private property owners rights bill advances

FlaPol: Ryan Chamberlin bill to crack down on suspects fleeing law enforcement ready for House floor

WUSF: Research reveals possible cause behind sargassum blooms on Florida beaches

Floridian: Florida Senate Passes Sweeping Autism Support Measures

Florida Phoenix: Lawmakers want to create a foster pilot program for kids with behavioral problems

<u>Today: Florida Sen. Moody: Move NASA's headquarters from Washington, D.C., to the Space</u>
<u>Coast</u>

Ocala Star-Banner: National Hurricane Center lays out changes coming for 2025 season. See what to expect

<u>Democrat: Silent but charged — Leon County Sheriff's Office undercover Teslas hit the</u>
<u>streets</u>

NWF Daily News: Fort Walton Beach hosts Florida's first National Civics Bee. Winners head to state finals

FlaPol: Mike Giallombardo's CRA-killing bill advances, but even some supporters disagree with its aim

FlaPol: Homeless advocates challenged by new law, NIMBY outcry

FlaPol: Juan Porras bill to put Gulf of America in textbooks clears first House hurdle

FlaPol: USDA ends program that helped schools serve food from local farmers

AP: Florida's citrus industry faces threats from hurricanes, disease and real estate

<u>Sentinel: Court rules against Florida parents in school gender case that gained national attention</u>

Axios: Repeal of Parkland-era gun law advances in state House

FlaPol: Corey Simon's 'Rural Renaissance' bill ready to hit the Senate floor

Florida Phoenix: Proposal to expand death penalty in Florida now goes to Florida House floor

# WUSF: Amid 'shrimp fraud' reports, Tampa Bay area shrimpers need support FlaPol: Department of Labor: Jobless claims see slight uptick in Florida after weeks of declines

FlaPol: Shane Abbott's bill giving private school students more access to play sports advances

Florida Phoenix: Geraldine Thompson remembered for her 'perfect blend of grace and strength'

#### On the Docket

#### **MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2025**

#### <u>— Legislature:</u>

- FIREFIGHTERS' HEALTH Monday, 1:30 p.m. The Senate Banking and Insurance Committee will take up a bill (SB 1212), filed by Sen. Nick DiCeglie, R-Indian Rocks Beach, that would require steps to help protect the health and safety of firefighters. 412 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- FARMER HEALTH COVERAGE Monday, 1:30 p.m. The Senate Commerce and Tourism Committee will consider a proposal (SB 480), filed by Sen. Nick DiCeglie, R-Indian Rocks Beach, that would allow the Florida Farm Bureau to offer largely unregulated health coverage to its members. 110 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- ELECTION LAW CENTER Monday, 1:30 p.m. The Senate Education Postsecondary Committee will take up a bill (SB 892), filed by Sen. Corey Simon, R-Tallahassee, that would create the Florida State University Election Law Center at the university's law school. 301 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- COUNTY TERM LIMITS Monday, 1:30 p.m. The Senate Ethics and Elections
  Committee will consider a proposed constitutional amendment (SJR 802), filed by Sen.
  Blaise Ingoglia, R-Spring Hill, about eight-year term limits for county commissioners
  and school board members. 37 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- CYBERSECURITY Monday, 1:30 p.m. The House Security & Threat Assessment Committee will receive a closed-door briefing about cybersecurity infrastructure. 12 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- HEMP PRODUCTS Monday, 4 p.m. The Senate Agriculture Committee will take up a bill (SB 438), filed by Sen. Colleen Burton, R-Lakeland, that would make a series of changes related to hemp-extract products. 301 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- LAND REGULATION Monday, 4 p.m. The Senate Community Affairs Committee will consider a proposal (SB 1080), filed by Chairman Stan McClain, R-Ocala, that would make a series of changes related local government land regulation. 37 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- CHARTER SCHOOLS Monday, 4 p.m. The Senate Education Pre-K-12 Committee will consider a proposal (SB 140), filed by Sen. Don Gaetz, R-Niceville, related to issues such as charter-school conversions. 412 Knott Building, the Capitol.

- WASTE INCINERATORS Monday, 4 p.m. The Senate Environment and Natural Resources Committee will take up a bill (SB 1008), filed by Sen. Bryan Avila, R-Miami, that would prevent building waste incinerators in certain areas. 110 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- RACING BILL Monday, 4 p.m. The House Commerce Committee will consider a bill (HB 105), filed by Rep. Adam Anderson, R-Palm Harbor, aimed at eliminating a requirement that Florida's two remaining thoroughbred horse tracks hold races to be able to offer other types of gambling. 212 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- SPECIAL ORDER SET Monday, 15 minutes after Senate committee meetings. The Senate Special Order Calendar Group will set a special-order calendar, which lists bills that will be heard on the Senate floor. 401 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.

#### — Also:

- JOBLESS REPORT RELEASED Monday, 10 a.m. The Florida Department of Commerce will release a January unemployment report.
- SOUTH FLORIDA COUNCIL Monday, 10:30 a.m. The South Florida Regional Planning Council will meet. - South Florida Regional Planning Council, 1 Oakwood Blvd., Suite 250, Hollywood. <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88380909909?pwd=ZxlFHVbRuD">https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88380909909?pwd=ZxlFHVbRuD</a> v9G0svjmUFa GWbeonj8b.1. Meeting ID: 88380909909. Code: 507088
- INGOGLIA AT TIGER BAY Monday, 11:30 a.m. Sen. Blaise Ingoglia, R-Spring Hill, is scheduled to speak to the Capital Tiger Bay Club. Donald L. Tucker Civic Center, 505 West Pensacola St., Tallahassee.
- RURAL COUNTIES Monday, 1 p.m. The Revenue Estimating Conference will take up issues related to "fiscally constrained" rural counties. 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- 'IMPACT' CONFERENCE Monday, 1:30 p.m. The Revenue Estimating Conference will hold an "impact" conference, which involves estimating potential costs of legislation. 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- TALLAHASSEE COLLEGE BOARD Monday, 2:30 p.m. The Tallahassee State College Board of Trustees will meet. Tallahassee State College, Center for Innovation, 300 West Pensacola St., Tallahassee.

#### **TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025**

#### <u> — Legislature:</u>

- PRIVATE COLLEGES Tuesday, 9 a.m. The House Higher Education Budget Subcommittee will receive a presentation from the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida. Reed Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.
- FOSTER HOME LICENSES Tuesday, 9 a.m. The House Human Services Subcommittee will consider a proposal (HB 989), filed by Rep. Gallop Franklin, D-Tallahassee, that would allow the transfer of family foster-care licenses within the state.
  - 314 House Office Building, the Capitol.

- EMERGENCY LAWS Tuesday, 9 a.m. The House Natural Resources & Disasters Subcommittee will take up a bill (HB 1535), filed by Rep. Fiona McFarland, R-Sarasota, that deals with a series of issues related to natural disasters, such as giving elections supervisors authority to make changes in early voting sites. 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- VACANT POSITIONS Tuesday, 9 a.m. The House PreK-12 Budget Subcommittee will hold a workshop about reducing vacant positions. Morris Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.
- MEDICAL MALPRACTICE DAMAGES Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. The Senate Health and Human Services Appropriations Committee will consider a bill (SB 734), filed by Sen. Clay Yarborough, R-Jacksonville, that, in part, would allow parents of adult children to pursue mental-pain and suffering damages in wrongful-death lawsuits that allege medical malpractice. - 412 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- NEW LICENSE PLATE Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. The Senate Transportation, Tourism and Economic Development Appropriations Committee will take up a proposal (SB 620), filed by Sen. Ana Maria Rodriguez, R-Miami-Dade County, that would create a specialty license plate for Miami Dade College. 110 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- CYBERSECURITY Tuesday, 12:30 p.m. The House Security & Threat Assessment Committee will receive a closed-door briefing related to cybersecurity "resiliency." 12 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- CLOUD SEEDING Tuesday, 1 p.m. The Senate Agriculture, Environment and General Government Appropriations Committee will consider a proposal (SB 56), filed by Sen. Ileana Garcia, R-Miami, that seeks to prevent "weather modification" activities, including cloud seeding. 412 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- COURT ISSUES Tuesday, 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. The Senate Criminal and Civil Justice Appropriations Committee and the House Justice Budget Subcommittee will take up bills (SB 538 and HB 813), filed by Sen. Jennifer Bradley, R-Fleming Island, and Rep. Kaylee Tuck, R-Lake Placid, respectively, that would make changes related to judges and arbitrators. Senate meeting at 1 p.m. 37 Senate Office Building. House meeting at 3 p.m.,314 House Office Building, the Capitol..
- COLLEGE TRUSTEES Tuesday, 1 p.m. The Senate Higher Education
   Appropriations Committee will hold confirmation hearings for trustees of Broward
   College, Palm Beach State College, Pasco-Hernando State College, St. Johns River State
   College, South Florida State College, Tallahassee State College, Valencia College and
   State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota. 110 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- TAX CREDITS Tuesday, 1 p.m. The Senate Finance and Tax Committee will consider a proposal (SB 182), filed by Sen. Alexis Calatayud, R-Miami, that would provide tax credits to businesses that contribute money to charitable organizations that house families of critically ill children. 301 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.

- ADMINISTRATIVE RULES Tuesday, 3 p.m. The House Government Operations Subcommittee will take up a bill (HB 433), filed by Rep. Toby Overdorf, R-Palm City, that would make a series of changes related to issues such as rulemaking and regulations. 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- 'FLORIDA FARM BILL' Tuesday, 3 p.m. The House Housing, Agriculture & Tourism Subcommittee will take up a bill (HB 651), filed by Rep. Kaylee Tuck, R-Lake Placid, and Rep. Danny Alvarez, R-Hillsborough County, that would address a series of issues in the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and is dubbed the "Florida Farm Bill." Morris Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.
- DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES Tuesday, 3 p.m. The House Student Academic Success Subcommittee will take up a bill (HB 591), filed by Rep. Randy Maggard, R-Dade City, that would make a series of changes about services for children with autism and other developmental disabilities. Reed Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.
- LAW ENFORCEMENT ISSUES Tuesday, 3:30 p.m. The Senate Criminal Justice
  Committee will take up a bill (SB 1268), filed by Sen. Corey Simon, R-Tallahassee, that
  would make a series of changes related to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.
   37 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- UNION REQUIREMENTS Tuesday, 3:30 p.m. The Senate Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee will take up a bill (SB 1328), filed by Chairman Randy Fine, R-Brevard County, that would place additional requirements on public-employee unions. 110 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- MEDICAID OVERSIGHT SOUGHT Tuesday, 3:30 p.m. The Senate Health Policy Committee will consider a proposal (SB 1060), filed by Sen. Jason Brodeur, R-Sanford, that would create a Joint Legislative Committee on Medicaid Oversight. 412 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- VETERANS ASSISTANCE Tuesday, 3:30 p.m. The Senate Military and Veterans Affairs, Space and Domestic Security Committee will take up a bill (SB 1464), filed by Chairman Tom Wright, R-New Smyrna Beach, that would provide money to help connect veterans and their families with services. - 301 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.

#### — Also:

- 'CANCER ACTION DAY' American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network will hold "Cancer Action Day" at the Capitol.
- MOSQUITO ISSUES ALL THE BUZZTuesday will be Florida Mosquito Control Association Advocacy Day at the Capitol.
- MIAMI DADE COLLEGE BOARD Tuesday, 8 a.m. The Miami Dade College Board of Trustees will meet. - Miami Dade College, Kendall Campus, 11011 S.W. 104th St., Miami. <a href="https://www.mdc.edu/livestream">https://www.mdc.edu/livestream</a>

- REAL ESTATE ISSUES Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. The Florida Real Estate Commission will meet. Zora Neale Hurston Building, North Tower, Suite N901, 400 West Robinson St., Orlando. <a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/603461895294460508">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/603461895294460508</a>
- NORTH FLORIDA COLLEGE BOARD Tuesday, 5 p.m. The North Florida College Board of Trustees will meet. - North Florida College, 325 N.W. Turner Davis Dr., Madison.
- CHIPOLA COLLEGE BOARD Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. The Chipola College Board of Trustees is scheduled to meet. Chipola College, Public Service Building, Marianna.

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2025

#### — Legislature:

- CHILD NEGLECT Wednesday, 9 a.m. The Senate Children, Families and Elder Affairs Committee will consider a bill (SB 1286), filed by Chairwoman Erin Grall, R-Vero Beach, that would revise laws related to harming or neglecting children. - 301 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- 'CLAIM' BILLS Wednesday, 9 a.m. The Senate Judiciary Committee will take up six "claim" bills, which are designed to provide compensation for injuries or deaths caused by government agencies. 110 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- CONDO LAWS Wednesday, 9 a.m. The Senate Regulated Industries Committee will
  consider a proposal (SB 1742), filed by Chairwoman Jennifer Bradley, R-Fleming Island,
  that would revise condominium laws as many condo owners and associations grapple
  with rising costs. 412 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- TRANSPORTATION AGENCY BILLS Wednesday, 9 a.m. The Senate Transportation Committee will take up wide-ranging bills (SB 462 and SB 1290), filed by Sen. Nick DiCeglie, R-Indian Rocks Beach, and Chairman Jay Collins, R-Tampa, respectively, that would make changes related to the Department of Transportation and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles. 37 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.
- CANDIDATE QUALIFYING Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. The Senate Rules Committee will consider a proposal (SB 280), filed by Sen. Kristen Arrington, D-Kissimmee, that would require candidates be members of political parties for at least a year before they could seek party nominations in elections. 412 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- SENATE HOLDS FLOOR SESSION Wednesday, 2:30 p.m. The Senate is scheduled to hold a floor session. Senate chamber, the Capitol.

#### **OTHER SCHEDULED MEETINGS**

- House Insurance & Banking Subcommittee (8 a.m., Morris Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House Education Administration Subcommittee (10:30 a.m., Reed Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House Health Care Facilities & Systems Subcommittee (10:30 a.m., 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.)

- House State Administration Budget Subcommittee (10:30 a.m., Morris Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House Transportation & Economic Development Budget Subcommittee (10:30 a.m., 314 House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House Criminal Justice Subcommittee (1 p.m., 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House Health Care Budget Subcommittee (1 p.m., 314 House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House Industries & Professional Activities Subcommittee (1 p.m., 212 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- House Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee (1 p.m., Morris Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House Agriculture & Natural Resources Budget Subcommittee (4:30 p.m., 314 House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House Careers & Workforce Subcommittee (4:30 p.m., Morris Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House Economic Infrastructure Subcommittee (4:30 p.m., Reed Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House Information Technology Budget & Policy Subcommittee (4:30 p.m., 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.)

#### — Also:

- FSU DAY AT THE CAPITOL Florida State University will hold FSU Day at the Capitol, including an 11:30 a.m. pep rally that will include university President Richard McCullough.
- REAL ESTATE ISSUES Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. The Florida Real Estate Commission will meet. - Zora Neale Hurston Building, North Tower, Suite N901, 400 West Robinson St.,
  - Orlando. https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/603461895294460508
- PAROLE CASES Wednesday, 9 a.m. The Florida Commission on Offender Review will meet. Florida Commission on Offender Review, 4070 Esplanade Way, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 1-877-309-2073. Code: 337350165
- UNEMPLOYMENT APPEALS BOARD Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. The state Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission is scheduled to meet. - Reemployment Assistance Appeals Commission, 1211 Governors Square Blvd., Suite 300, Tallahassee. Call-in number: 850-988-5144. Code: 261180880
- REFUGEE PANEL Wednesday, 10 a.m. The Broward Refugee Task Force will meet. Information at <a href="https://www.myflfamilies.com/news-events/public-events-meetings/broward-refugee-task-force-meeting">https://www.myflfamilies.com/news-events/public-events-meetings/broward-refugee-task-force-meeting</a>
- LAKE-SUMTER COLLEGE BOARD Wednesday, 5 p.m. The Lake-Sumter State College Board of Trustees will meet. Lake-Sumter State College, Kelly Convocation Center, 9501 U.S. 441, Leesburg.

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2025

#### — Legislature:

• SENATE HOLDS FLOOR SESSION - Thursday, 1:30 p.m. - The Senate is scheduled to hold a floor session. - Senate chamber, the Capitol.

#### OTHER SCHEDULED MEETINGS

- House Education & Employment Committee (8 a.m., Reed Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House Judiciary Committee (8 a.m., 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House State Affairs Committee (8 a.m., Morris Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- Senate Appropriations Committee (9 a.m., 110 Senate Office Building, the Capitol.)
- Senate Fiscal Policy Committee (9 a.m., 412 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- House Budget Committee (11:30 a.m., 212 Knott Building, the Capitol.)
- House Ways & Means Committee (11:30 a.m., 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House Civil Justice & Claims Subcommittee (2 p.m., 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House Health Professions & Programs Subcommittee (2 p.m., Reed Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House Insurance & Banking Subcommittee (2 p.m., Morris Hall, House Office Building, the Capitol.)
- House Rules & Ethics Committee (6:30 p.m., 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.)

#### — Also:

- DEFENSE ISSUES Thursday, 9 a.m. The Florida Defense Support Commission is scheduled to meet. Four Points by Sheraton Tallahassee Downtown, 316 West Tennessee St., Tallahassee.
- UWF TRUSTEES Thursday, 9 a.m. The University of West Florida Board of Trustees will meet. - University of West Florida, UWF Conference Center, Pensacola. <a href="https://uwf.zoom.us/j/82835183987?pwd=dll6RXBmRkdPeWw2dytFMFZ4QjboUT09#success">https://uwf.zoom.us/j/82835183987?pwd=dll6RXBmRkdPeWw2dytFMFZ4QjboUT09#success</a>. Code: 742608
- SOUTHWEST COUNCIL Thursday, 10 a.m. The Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council will meet. Florida Department of Transportation SunGuide SWIFT Center, 10041 Daniels Parkway, Fort Myers.
- REFUGEE ISSUES Thursday, 10 a.m. The Palm Beach Refugee Task Force will meet. Information at <a href="https://www.myflfamilies.com/news-events/public-events-meetings/palm-beach-refugee-task-force-meeting">https://www.myflfamilies.com/news-events/public-events-meetings/palm-beach-refugee-task-force-meeting</a>
- SUPREME COURT RELEASES OPINIONS Thursday, 11 a.m. The Florida Supreme Court is scheduled to release opinions.
- GOP HOLDS 'DISRUPTORS" EVENT Thursday, 7 p.m. Former state House Speaker Paul Renner and Nigel Farage, who helped lead the British Brexit movement,

will speak during a Republican Party of Florida "Disruptors Dinner." - Donald L. Tucker Civic Center, 505 West Pensacola St., Tallahassee.

#### FRIDAY MARCH 21, 2025

- '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.
- TREASURE COAST COUNCIL Friday, 9:30 a.m. The Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council will meet. Blake Library, 2351 S.E. Monterey Road, Stuart.

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