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The percentage of the Session that is over!

Note - See Tax Roll Data Sets below!

The Briefing – Monday, February 9, 2026

Day 28 of 60 Day Session

The Last Briefing – Sunday, February 8, 2026

Note – All previous Briefings can be accessed at www.smallcountycoalition.org or www.ssdcc.org

Click the Briefing button at the website!

What's the weather outlook?

[10-Day Weather Forecast for Tallahassee, FL – The Weather Channel |](#)

Entering Week Five

- Appropriations - Proposed Senate and House Budget Proposals should be revealed this week! Communications from the House are like the weather – a bit chilly!
- Property Tax Proposals – No agreements! House has moved several proposals! – Senate Not Yet!
- Rural Renaissance - No movement on in House! Senate has passed SB 250 in first week!
- Consolidation of Counties – Getting questions about this issue. An Old Rumor! Some comments were made to the media in Jacksonville in January but there is nothing that has been filed. We've got our ear to the ground on this one – don't think it likely at all!
- Preemptions– As usual – Several bills are moving that restrict spending and growth management!
- School Board Bill of Rights – bills addressing transparency and access to information are moving in both House and Senate. SB 1620 is up in Senate Judiciary tomorrow – Section 1 of Senate bill restricts the employment of relatives of School District Officials (this provision would be a problem in the Small School Districts)– the House bill does not have the employment preemption language! School Districts are guided by F.S. 1012.23 which outlines the management of relatives.
- FEFP 3rd Calculation published last week of January shows declining enrollment in 45 school districts. Unless addressed – many districts will see a funding reduction of their current year appropriations. Folks are working on a potential fix! Supts – stay in touch on this issue!

More Tax Roll Information

Linked below is an Excel Spreadsheet which provides Statewide information on County Tax Roll Values



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Statewide Property Value by County
Just Value Historical Summary
County Taxable Value Historical Summary
School Taxable Value Historical Summary
Save Our Homes Value Historical Summary

Legislative Calendar

[Senate Calendar of Week starting February 9, 2026](#)

[House Calendar for Week starting February 9, 2026](#)

Here are some links that will assist you in monitoring the session.

<https://www.flhouse.gov/>

<https://www.flsenate.gov/>

[The Florida Channel To Watch Proceedings](#)

[House Directory](#)

[Senate Directory](#)

Workshops on Critical Infrastructure
(registration link included below)

The following workshops are scheduled in the Panhandle and North Florida to offer practitioner-driven sessions on cyber preparedness, incident response, and operational resilience.

Designed for both technical and executive audiences, the workshop emphasizes real-world challenges, peer discussion, and actionable guidance to help organizations strengthen readiness against evolving cyber threats.

Purpose:

- Engage in a realistic cyber incident scenario facilitated by leading tabletop exercise conductors NUARI
- Challenge decision-making, communication, and cross-organizational coordination under pressure
- Identify common gaps, clarify roles and responsibilities, and gain practical insights to strengthen response plans, governance, and overall cyber resilience

To register please click on the links for the workshop that you would like to attend –

February 10, 2026 – PAEC in Chipley, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm Central

[Cyber Workshop for Critical Infrastructure 2/10/2026 Chipley FL | Cyber Florida at USF](#)

February 12 - Tallahassee State College in Tallahassee, 8:30 am - 4:00 pm Eastern

[Cyber Workshop for Critical Infrastructure 2/12/2026 Tallahassee | Cyber Florida at USF](#)

Important Reports

- **Governors Office DOGE Report on Local Government Spending – [Florida DOGE Report Jan 2026 – Adobe cloud storage](#)**–The report includes recommendations including a suggestion that a review of Florida’s 411 cities should be done to see if some could be abolished or consolidated with other governments.
- **FAC PROPERTY TAX REPORT - <https://www.fl-counties.com/report-property-taxes/>**

enforcement body cameras to qualify for funding under a local government infrastructure surtax (SB 1102). 37 Senate Building, the Capitol.

- SENATE PRE-K-12 - Tuesday, 3 p.m. The Senate PreK-12 Committee will consider a bill on teacher training and mentoring (SB 182) and the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program (SB 1318). 412 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- SENATE SPECIAL ORDER - Tuesday, 15 minutes after the 3 p.m. meetings end. Senate Special Order Calendar Group is meeting. 401 Senate Building, the Capitol.

House meetings

- Tuesday, 9 a.m. -

- Education & Employment Committee Reed Hall Reed Hall, 102 House Office Building, the Capitol
- Judiciary Committee Sumner Hall, 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- State Affairs Committee Morris Hall, 17 House Office Building, the Capitol.

- Tuesday, 12:30 p.m.

- Commerce Committee Location, Sumner Hall, 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- Health & Human Services Morris Hall, 17 House Office Building, the Capitol.

- Tuesday, 4 p.m.

- Budget Committee Morris Hall, 17 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- Ways & Means Committee Sumner Hall, 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.

OTHER SCHEDULED EVENTS:

- ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT - Tuesday, 10 a.m. - The St. Johns River Water Management District Governing Board is meeting. SJRWMD District Headquarters, Board room, 4049 Reid Street, Palatka.
- SUWANNEE WATER MANAGEMENT - Tuesday, 9 a.m. - The Suwannee River Water Management District Governing Board is meeting. District headquarters, 9225 County Road 49, Live Oak.
- HEATH EXECUTION SLATED - Tuesday, 6 p.m. Ronald Heath is scheduled to be executed for the May 24, 1989 murder of Michael Sheridan, who was shot, stabbed and robbed in a wooded area south of Gainesville. Florida State Prison, 23916 N.W. 83rd Ave., Raiford.
- MOBILE HIGHWAY - Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. (CST) The Florida Department of Transportation will present information on plans for the Mobile Highway (U.S. 90) intersection at Houston Avenue in Escambia County. Charity Chapel, Fellowship Hall, 5820 Montgomery Avenue, Pensacola.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2026

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- SENATE HOLDS FLOOR SESSION Wednesday, 12 p.m. The Senate is scheduled to hold a floor session. Senate chamber, the Capitol.
- HOUSE HOLDS FLOOR SESSION Wednesday, 4 p.m. The House is scheduled to hold a floor session. House chamber, the Capitol.

Senate meetings

- SENATE BANKING & INSURANCE Wednesday, 9 a.m. - The Senate Banking & Insurance Committee is meeting. 412 Knott Building, the Capitol
- SENATE COMMERCE Wednesday, 9 a.m. - The Senate Commerce & Tourism Committee is meeting. 110 Senate Building, the Capitol.
- SENATE EDUCATION POSTSECONDARY Wednesday, 9 a.m. - The Senate Education Postsecondary Committee is meeting. 301 Senate Building, the Capitol.
- SENATE ETHICS Wednesday, 9 a.m. - The Senate Ethics & Elections Committee is meeting. 37 Senate Building, the Capitol.
- SENATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE Wednesday, 3 p.m. The Senate Criminal Justice Committee is meeting. 37 Senate Building, the Capitol.

- SENATE GOVERNMENTAL OVERSIGHT Wednesday, 3 p.m.12: The Senate Governmental Oversight & Accountability Committee is meeting. 110 Senate Building, the Capitol.
- SENATE HEALTH POLICY Wednesday, 3 p.m.The Senate Health Policy Committee is meeting. 412 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- SENATE MILITARY & VETERANS AFFAIRS Wednesday, 3 p.m.The Senate Military & Veterans Affairs, Space, & Domestic Security Committee is meeting. 301 Senate Committee.
- SENATE SPECIAL ORDER Wednesday, 15 minutes after the 3 p.m. meetings end.Senate Special Order Calendar Group is meeting. 401 Senate Building, the Capitol.

House meetings

Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. -

- House Civil Justice & Claims Subcommittee Sumner Hall, 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- House Health Professions & Programs Subcommittee Reed Hall, 102 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- House Insurance & Banking Subcommittee Morris Hall, 17 House Office Building, the Capitol.

Wednesday, 12 p.m.

- House Government Operations Subcommittee Sumner Hall, 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- House Housing, Agriculture & Tourism Subcommittee Morris Hall, 17 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- House Justice Budget Subcommittee Mashburn Hall, 314 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- House Student Academic Success Subcommittee Reed Hall, 102 House Office Building, the Capitol.

OTHER SCHEDULED EVENTS:

- NORTHWEST WATER MANAGEMENT Wednesday, 1 p.m. CTThe Northwest Florida Water Management District is holding a meeting on the district's 2026 Florida Forever Water Management District Work Plan. 700 US Highway 331 South, DeFuniak Springs.
- DBPR PILOT COMMISSIONERS Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. - The Department of Business and Professional Regulation Board of Pilot Commissioners. Hampton Inn & Suites Tampa Northwest/Oldsmar, 4017 Tampa Road, Oldsmar.
- CHARTER SCHOOL REVIEW COMMISSION Wednesday, 10 a.m. - The Charter School Review Commission will consider actions related to charter school applications. Valencia College, 1800 S. Kirkman Road, Room 6-202, Orlando.
- WELL DRILLING ADVISORY GROUP Wednesday, 1:30 p.m.The Southwest Florida Water Management District Well Drilling Advisory Group is meeting, with the agenda including water use caution areas and submerged aquatic vegetation dynamics in first magnitude springs. District's Tampa Service Office, 7601 U.S. Highway 301 North, Tampa.

- THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2026

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- SENATE APPROPRIATIONS - Thursday, 9 a.m. - The Senate Appropriations Committee is meeting. 412 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- SENATE FISCAL POLICY - Thursday, 9 a.m. - The Senate Fiscal Policy Committee is meeting. 110 Senate Building, the Capitol.
- SENATE SPECIAL ORDER - Thursday, 15 minutes after the 9 a.m. - meetings end.Senate Special Order Calendar Group is meeting. 401 Senate Building, the Capitol.

House meetings

- Thursday, 8:30 a.m. -

- Criminal Justice Subcommittee Sumner Hall, 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- Health Care Budget Subcommittee Mashburn Hall, 314 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- Industries & Professional Activities Subcommittee Reed Hall, 102 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee Morris Hall, 17 House Office Building, the Capitol.

- Thursday, 12:30 p.m.

- Education Administration Subcommittee Reed Hall, 102 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- Health Care Facilities & Systems Subcommittee Sumner Hall, 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- State Administration Budget Subcommittee Morris Hall, 17 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- Transportation & Economic Development Budget Subcommittee Mashburn Hall, 314 House Office Building, the Capitol.

- Thursday, 2:30 p.m.

- Higher Education Budget Subcommittee Reed Hall, 102 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- Human Services Subcommittee Mashburn Hall, 314 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- Natural Resources & Disasters Subcommittee Sumner Hall, 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- PreK-12 Budget Subcommittee Morris Hall, 17 House Office Building, the Capitol.

- Thursday, 4:30 p.m.

- Agriculture & Natural Resources Budget Subcommittee Location, Mashburn, 314 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- Careers & Workforce Subcommittee Morris Hall, 17 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- Economic Infrastructure Subcommittee Reed Hall, 102 House Office Building, the Capitol.
- Information Technology Budget & Policy Subcommittee Sumner Hall, 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.

- Thursday, 6:15 p.m.

- Rules & Ethics Committee Sumner Hall, 404 House Office Building, the Capitol.

OTHER SCHEDULED EVENTS:

- SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT - Thursday, 9 a.m. - The Governing Board Meeting, SFWMD Leasing Corp. is holding its annual meeting SFWMD Headquarters, B-1 Building, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach.
- FAMU TRUSTEES AND COMMITTEES - Thursday, 8 a.m. - for committee meetings. 3 p.m. for Board Committees and the Board of Trustees for Florida A&M University are meeting. FAMU Grand Ballroom, 1628 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Tallahassee.
- WEST FLORIDA TRUSTEES - Thursday, 9 a.m. - Committees and the Board of Trustees for University of West Florida are meeting online. Zoom Webinar ID: 846 9704 3477. Passcode: 047421.
- BOATS IN BISCAYNE BAY - Thursday, 10 a.m. - The Florida Department of Environmental Protection Biscayne Bay Commission will hear about Miami Police Marine Patrol and the Miami-Dade County derelict vessel program. Cutler Bay Town Hall, City Council Chambers, 10720 Caribbean Blvd., Cutler Bay.
- INDIAN RIVER LAGOON PLAN - Thursday, 10 a.m. - The St. John's River Water Management District is hosting a public meeting on the 2026 Indian River Lagoon and Upper St. Johns River Basin Plan. SJRWMD Palm Bay Service Center, 525 Community College Parkway SE, Palm Bay.
- NEW COLLEGE TRUSTEES - Thursday, 3 p.m. The New College Board of Trustees are meeting. Sudakoff Conference Center, 5845 General Dougher Place, Sarasota.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2026

- REVENUE ESTIMATING CONFERENCE - Friday, 9 a.m. - The Revenue Estimating Conference Impact Conference is meeting. 117 Knott Building, the Capitol.
- SEAGRASS ADVISORY COUNCIL - Friday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Seagrass Restoration Technology Development Initiative, Technical Advisory Council is meeting to discuss seagrass research. Mote Science Education Aquarium, 225 University Town Center Drive, Sarasota.
- ETHICS UPDATE - Friday, 9 a.m. - The Florida Commission on Ethics will receive a legislative update. 325 John Knox Road, Building E, Suite 200, Tallahassee.

Headlines Around The State

[WUSF: Measles is spreading across Florida. The state's updates lag more than a week](#)

[WUSF: Here's the data for Florida's first bear hunt in a decade](#)

[Today: How does Brevard Public Schools handle on-campus encounters with ICE?](#)

[Times: Casey DeSantis returns to the spotlight. Is a campaign in the cards?](#)

[WUSF: Rep. Andrade stands firm in Hope Florida fraud allegations against AG Uthmeier](#)

[NBC 6: Florida governor candidate claims he was victim of arson after fire starts in front yard](#)

[TCPalm: Florida bill could expand food libel law to silence Big Sugar critics](#)

[FlaPol: Wilton Simpson: Large tract of Hardee County land preserved for farmers](#)

[Times-Union: River restoration bill moves ahead for opening Rodman Reservoir dam](#)

[WLRN: Audit reveals how large bonuses intended for teachers ended up in administrators' hands](#)

[FlaPol: James Uthmeier makes the case for Evan Power to win in CD 2](#)

[Herald: Florida lawmakers might make it easier to build 'granny flats': How and why?](#)

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