MARTIN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



# State Legislative Update



January 28, 2022

WEEK 3

## MARTIN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 2022 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES UPDATE

#### **FUNDING REQUESTS**

#### Septic to Sewer:

- \$2 million for Seven J's Industrial Park Force Main Project
- \$8 million for Coral Gardens Vacuum Sewer Project
- Progress:
  - o Budget request filed by Senator Harrell, awaiting Senate budget development

## **Martin County REACH Center:**

- \$1 million for Building 17 REACH Center at the Martin County Airport to provide workforce training and economic development
- Progress:
  - HB 2977 (Overdorf) <u>Passed</u> favorably by Infrastructure and Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee
  - Now in Appropriations Committee waiting for inclusion in General Appropriations Bill

#### **Cypress Creek Floodplain Restoration Project:**

- \$750,000 to restore the historic floodplain of Cypress Creek, one of the main tributaries to the Loxahatchee River
- Progress:
  - o HB 2079 Appropriations Committee waiting for inclusion

### **WATER QUALITY**

### **SB 0832**

Implementation of the Recommendations of the Blue-Green Algae Task Force by Stewart

Implementation of the Recommendations of the Blue-Green Algae Task Force: Requiring owners of certain onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems to have the systems periodically inspected, beginning on a specified date; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to administer the inspection program; requiring new or

### IN THIS EDITION

- Key Legislative Updates
  - Funding Requests
  - Water Quality
  - o Tourism
  - o Home Rule
  - Sales Tax Referendum
  - o Strawberry Shortcake

revised basin management action plans to include a list that identifies and prioritizes certain spatially focused projects, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022

**Current Committee of Reference:** Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government

Actions	
01/27/2022	SENATE Now in Appropriations
Identical	
HB 0561	Implementation of the Recommendations of the Blue-Green Algae Task Force (Goff-Marcil)
	11/19/2021 HOUSE Now in Environment, Agriculture & Flooding Subcommittee

## HB 0349 Water Resources Management by Sirois

Water Resources Management: Authorizing Board of Trustees of Internal Improvement Trust Fund to grant easements on sovereignty submerged lands for specified mitigation banks; directing DEP to create and modify specified rules; exempting certain docks on recorded easements from certain permit and verification requirements; granting certain docks authorization to use submerged lands upon approval of board; providing that specified structures associated with docks create presumption of specified compliance. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

**Current Committee of Reference:** House Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee

Actions	
12/08/2021	HOUSE Now in Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee
Similar	
SB 0198	Water Resources Management (Rodriguez (A))
	01/20/2022 SENATE Now in Community Affairs

#### HB 1019 Saltwater Intrusion Vulnerability Assessments by Duggan

Saltwater Intrusion Vulnerability Assessments: Requiring coastal counties to conduct vulnerability assessments analyzing effects of saltwater intrusion on water supplies and preparedness to respond to threats and provide copies to DEP and water management districts; requiring water management districts to submit certain projects to DEP; requiring DEP to update comprehensive statewide flood vulnerability and sea level rise data, make certain information available online, and provide cost-share funding to coastal counties. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

**Current Committee of Reference:** House Environment, Agriculture & Flooding Subcommittee

#### **Actions**

01/07/2022	HOUSE Now in Environment, Agriculture & Flooding Subcommittee
Identical	
SB 1238	Saltwater Intrusion Vulnerability Assessments (Polsky)
	01/26/2022 SENATE On Committee agenda - Environment and Natural Resources, 01/31 /22, 3:00 pm, 37 S

## **SB 1418** Soil and Groundwater Contamination by Albritton

Soil and Groundwater Contamination: Requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to adopt rules for statewide cleanup target levels for perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances in soil and groundwater; prohibiting such rules from taking effect until ratified by the Legislature; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to conduct a specified analysis of certain assessment and cleanup programs and submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date, etc. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

#### Current Committee of Reference: Senate Environment and Natural Resources

Actions	
01/26/2022	SENATE On Committee agenda - Environment and Natural Resources, 01/31/22, 3:00 pm, 37 S
Similar	
HB 1475	Cleanup of Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (McClure)
	01/16/2022 HOUSE Now in Environment, Agriculture & Flooding Subcommittee

#### **TOURISM**

#### SB 0512 Vacation Rentals by Burgess

Vacation Rentals: Requiring advertising platforms to collect and remit taxes for certain transactions; revising the regulated activities of public lodging establishments and public food service establishments preempted to the state to include licensing; expanding the authority of local laws, ordinances, or regulations to include requiring vacation rentals to register with local vacation rental registration programs; authorizing local governments to adopt vacation rental registration programs and impose fines for failure to register; requiring advertising platforms to require that persons placing advertisements for vacation rentals include certain information in the advertisements and attest to certain information, etc. Effective Date: except as otherwise expressly provided in this act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law

<b>Current Committee</b>	e of Reference: Senate Community Affairs
Actions	
01/26/2022	Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 01/28/22, 10:30 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

### Compare

<u>SB 0286</u>	Vacation Rentals (Garcia)
	10/18/2021 SENATE Withdrawn prior to introduction
Identical	
HB 0325	Vacation Rentals (Fischer)
	01/27/2022 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Regulatory Reform Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 6 Nays

#### **HOME RULE**

## SB 0620 Local Government by Hutson

Local Government: Authorizing certain businesses to claim business damages from a county or municipality if the county or municipality enacts or amends certain ordinances or charter provisions; authorizing businesses to recover costs and fees in a specified manner and if certain requirements are met; requiring courts to consider certain factors and follow specified guidance when assessing costs; specifying requirements for the courts in determining and awarding attorney fees; requiring attorneys and businesses to submit certain documentation relating to attorney fees, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022

#### **Current Committee of Reference:** Senate Appropriations

Actions	
01/27/2022	SENATE Favorable sent to House
Similar	
HB 0569	Business Damages Caused by Local Governments (McClure)
	01/18/2022 HOUSE Now in Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee

#### **SB 0280** Local Ordinances by Hutson

Local Ordinances: Authorizing courts to assess and award reasonable attorney fees and costs and damages in certain civil actions filed against local governments; requiring a board of county commissioners to prepare a business impact estimate before the enactment of a proposed ordinance; requiring a governing body of a municipality to prepare a business impact estimate before the enactment of a proposed ordinance, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2022

#### **Current Committee of Reference:** Senate Rules

Actions	
01/27/2022	SENATE Favorable sent to HOUSE
Similar	
HB 0403	Local Ordinances (Giallombardo)
	12/01/2021 HOUSE Now in Civil Justice & Property Rights Subcommittee

#### HB 0001

## Additional Homestead Property Tax Exemption for Specified Critical Public Services Workforce by Tomkow

Additional Homestead Property Tax Exemption for Specified Critical Public Services Workforce: Proposing amendment to State Constitution to authorize the Legislature, by general law, to grant an additional homestead property tax exemption on \$50,000 of the assessed value of homestead property owned by classroom teachers, law enforcement officers, correctional officers, firefighters, child welfare services professionals, active duty members of the United States Armed Forces, and members of the Florida National Guard.

## Current Committee of Reference: House Ways & Means Committee

Actions	
01/27/2022	HOUSE on Committee agenda – Ways and Means Committee, 01/21/22, 3:00 pm, 404 H
Compare	
<u>SB 1748</u>	Homestead Property Tax Exemptions For Classroom Teachers, Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, Child Welfare Professionals, And Servicemembers (Brodeur)
	01/26/2022 SENATE Now in Finance and Tax
Identical	
SB 1746	Homestead Property Tax Exemption (Brodeur)
	01/26/2022 SENATE Now in Finance and Tax
Linked	
HB 1563	Homestead Property Tax Exemptions for Classroom Teachers, Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, Child Welfare Professionals, and Servicemembers (Tomkow)
	01/27/2022 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Ways & Means Committee, 01/31/22, 3:00 pm, 404 H

#### SALES TAX REFERENDUM

### SB 1194 Local Tax Referenda Requirements by Boyd

Local Tax Referenda Requirements; Requiring referenda elections related to tourist development taxes, tourist impact taxes, and children's services and independent special district property taxes to be held on the day of a general election; requiring referenda elections related to increases in county and municipal ad valorem tax millages to be held on the day of a general election; requiring referenda elections related to local option fuel taxes to be held on the day of a general election, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022

#### **Current Committee of Reference:** Senate Appropriations

Actions	
01/27/2022	SENATE Now in Appropriations
Identical	

#### STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE AND LOCAL DAIRY

## HB 0567 Designation of the State Dessert by McClure

Designation of the State Dessert: Designates strawberry shortcake with natural Florida dairy topping as official state dessert. Effective Date: July 1, 2022

**Current Committee of Reference:** Senate Appropriations

**Actions** 

01/26/2022 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

**Identical** 

SB 1003 State Symbols (Burgess)

Click here to see video of the SENATE floor passage of Strawberry Shortcake as the State Dessert of Florida. (It's worth the watch!)

01/27/2022 HOUSE In Messages