



State Legislative Update

February 25, 2022



WEEK 7 (Only 2 to go!!)

MARTIN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 2022 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES UPDATE

The budget conference is being hosted by the House starting next week and a final joint budget is due on March 08. Allocations to each budget category have not been released yet but as soon as they are, we will know much more about the opportunities for our member projects. We will be closely monitoring this and providing support to conference members as needed.

So far this is the breakdown of legislative progress for the session:

SENATE AND HOUSE BILLS	FILED	PASSED FIRST CHAMBER	PASSED BOTH CHAMBERS
CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS	7	1	1
RESOLUTIONS(ONE CHAMBER)	69	36	0
GENERAL BILLS	1753	177	19
LOCAL BILLS	61	18	1
JOINT RESOLUTIONS	35	2	1
MEMORIALS	23	7	1
APPROPRIATIONS PROJECTS	1729	0	0
TOTALS	3677	241	23 *

The vast majority of bills have already missed deadlines for 1st reading and are considered dead. There will be a lot of floor activity next week with long lists of bills on agenda.

IN THIS EDITION

- Key Legislative Updates
 - Funding Requests
 - Water Quality
 - Tourism
 - Home Rule
 - Resilience

FUNDING REQUESTS

Septic to Sewer:

- Seven J's included at \$500,000 (Senate)

Martin County REACH Center:

- Included at \$250,000 (Senate)

Cypress Creek Floodplain Restoration Project:

- Included at \$375,000 (House)

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 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.

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

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

Current Committee of Reference: Senate Community Affairs

Actions

02/04/2022

Now in Appropriations

Compare

[SB 0286](#)

Vacation Rentals (Garcia)

10/18/2021 SENATE
Withdrawn prior to
introduction

Similar

[HB 0325](#)

Vacation Rentals (Fischer)

02/01/2022 HOUSE now in
Ways & Means committee

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: No Current Committee

Actions

01/27/2022

HOUSE In Messages

Similar

HB 0569

Local Business Protection Act (McClure)

02/23/2022 HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

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

House in Messages

Similar

HB 0403

Local Ordinances (Giallombardo)

02/18/2022 HOUSE Now in State Affairs Committee

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 Local Administration & Veteran Affairs Subcommittee

Actions

02/24/2022 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations, 02/28/22, 10:30 am, 412 K

Compare

[SB 1748](#) Homestead Property Tax Exemptions For Classroom Teachers, Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, Child Welfare Professionals, And Servicemembers (Brodeur)
02/11/2022 SENATE Committee Substitute Text Filed

Similar

[SB 1746](#) Homestead Property Tax Exemption (Brodeur)
02/11/2022 SENATE Committee Substitute Text Filed

Linked

[HB 1563](#) Homestead Property Tax Exemptions for Classroom Teachers, Law Enforcement Officers, Firefighters, Child Welfare Professionals, and Servicemembers (Tomkow)
02/24/2022 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations, 02/28/22, 10:30 am, 412 K

RESILIENCE

[SB 1940](#) Statewide Flooding and Sea Level Rise Resilience by Brodeur

Statewide Flooding and Sea Level Rise Resilience; Establishing the Statewide Office of Resilience within the Executive Office of the Governor; providing for the appointment of a Chief Resilience Officer; requiring the Department of Transportation to develop a resilience action plan for the State Highway System; revising the projects the Department of Environmental Protection may fund within the Resilient Florida Grant Program; extending the dates by which the department must complete a comprehensive statewide flood vulnerability and sea-level rise data set and assessment; requiring the Florida Flood Hub for Applied Research and Innovation to provide tidal and storm surge flooding data to counties and municipalities for vulnerability assessments, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2022

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

Actions

02/23/2022 SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations, 02/28/22, 10:30 am, 412 K

Compare

[SB 1238](#) Saltwater Intrusion Vulnerability Assessments (Polsky)

02/02/2022 SENATE Now in Governmental Oversight and Accountability

Similar

[HB 7053](#)

Statewide Flooding and Sea Level Rise Resilience
(Environment, Agriculture & Flooding Subcommittee)

02/24/2022 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar, 03/01/22

[HB 1077](#)

Public Financing of Potentially At-risk Structures and Infrastructure by Hunschofsky

Public Financing of Potentially At-risk Structures and Infrastructure: Provides certain areas are at risk due to sea level rise & structures & infrastructure within those areas are potentially at risk. Effective Date: July 1, 2022

Current Committee of Reference: House State Affairs Committee

Actions

02/24/2022

HOUSE Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

Similar

[SB 1434](#)

Public Financing of Potentially At-risk Structures and Infrastructure (Rodriguez (A))

02/22/2022 SENATE Now in Appropriations