

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** NAIOP  
**FROM:** GrayRobinson  
**DATE:** February 19, 2023  
**SUBJECT:** 2023 Legislative Session – Committee Week 6 Summary (Feb 13-17)

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It was the penultimate committee week and the annual just-before-session crunch was in full display. The Governor held two major press conferences to announce legislation on tort reform and big tech regulation. The Governor also held a bill signing ceremony for the Name, Image and Likeness legislation the Legislature passed in the special session. Meanwhile, the Legislature finalized most of its appropriation project proposals (due to the House deadline of February 13), and held a full week of committees addressing such topics as Lactation Space in Courthouses, a new cap on Save our Homes, upping the threshold to pass a constitutional amendment from 60% to 66.7%, and catalytic converter theft, and school start times.

These and other highlights are featured below in our summary of the week that was in Tallahassee.

### **NAIOP Activities**

**Business Rent Tax** – This week, our team met with House Appropriations Chair Tom Leek to discuss the business rent tax. While a reduction in this tax has not been a priority of Governor DeSantis, the House remains very interested in cutting this tax. We will continue to work with both Chairs Leek and Broxson (Senate Appropriations) on this issue.

**Bidirectional Antennas** – The GR team met with Senator Hooper about amending his legislation SB 512 with language that would extend the requirement for bidirectional antennas at least one more year. Our team is meeting with the House sponsor Rep. Maggard next week to discuss the same.

**Florida Building Commission** – Our language to add a commercial real estate development representative to the Florida Building Commission is in drafting. We are awaiting the return before deciding whether to file a standalone bill or amend onto a piece of legislation that is moving.

**EV Charging Stations** - Senate Bill 170, by Senator Jay Trumbull, that would significantly hamper any local ordinance that would create increased costs to businesses. We are meeting with the sponsor to explore how we can ensure the legislation would also impact ordinances that deal with EV charging stations.

### **Summary of Committee Week Six (February 13-17)**

#### **Special Session 2023B – Bill Signings**

Gov. Ron DeSantis on Wednesday signed legislation (SB 6B) that will continue a controversial program in which Florida pays to fly migrants to so-called “sanctuary cities and states” as a protest against what the governor says is lax federal immigration policy. The bill also provides \$10 million for the program. The program was initially authorized by lawmakers in last year's budget, but wasn't widely known until the state paid to send a plane load of Venezuelan migrants from Texas to Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts last year. The program drew objections from Democrats, who said it was a political stunt that didn't help the migrants. DeSantis said, however, that the controversy has highlighted the problems he says have resulted from a recent increase in the number of migrants entering the country illegally. The relocation program, the governor said, isn't about the migrants – but about the northern cities that proclaimed themselves “sanctuaries” for undocumented or illegal migrants.

The governor also signed a measure (SB 4B) clarifying that the statewide prosecutor may prosecute election crime cases related to federal and state races. DeSantis pushed for the creation of a special election fraud law enforcement unit last year to address Republican concerns about voter fraud. It made some arrests, but some of those cases were thrown out by judges who said statewide prosecutors didn't have the authority to bring such cases. The new law changes that.

Also on Wednesday, DeSantis signed legislation (SB 2B) that earmarks \$700 million for hurricane relief and reimbursement. The legislation sets out \$650 million to refill the Emergency Preparedness and Response Fund for money spent responding to last year's Hurricane Ian and \$50 million for a loan program for local hurricane relief and response. All three measures were passed during a recent special session.

Finally, on Thursday, DeSantis signed legislation (SB 7B) that will remove restrictions on universities and coaches from helping college athletes find “name, image, likeness,” or NIL, deals that can help them make money off the notoriety that comes from representing their school on the field or court. The measure effectively repeals a restriction put in place in 2020 that prevented teams and university officials from facilitating deals. The change was needed, backers said, because Florida schools, while allowing athletes to pursue NIL deals, were having trouble competing in recruiting against schools in states where colleges could promise they'd be able to set up the opportunities for recruits.

## **The Best of the Rest**

### **Save Our Homes Saving More?**

The Senate Community Affairs Committee on Wednesday advanced a proposed constitutional change that could lower the amount by which property taxes can increase each year. That proposed constitutional amendment (SJR 122) could boost the savings from the Save Our Homes cap on property-tax increases. The Save Our Homes amendment limited annual increases in the taxable values of homesteaded property to 3%. The proposed amendment would ask voters to decide in 2024 whether to lower that cap to 2%. The implementing bill (SB 120) for the proposed amendment, which would place the language in statute and make it effective beginning Jan. 1, 2025 if the amendment is approved, passed on a 6-3 party line vote with Republicans in favor. Democrats voiced concerns that the change could put financial stress on local governments during a time of high inflation. One Republican lawmaker also worried about the measure's effect on small, rural counties, but the bill and amendment sponsor, Hialeah Gardens Republican Sen. Bryan Avila, agreed to include a provision to protect less populated areas. State economists have found an indeterminate fiscal impact, and some argue the change would shift costs, rather than cut taxes. The Office of Economic and Demographic Research held a Revenue Estimating Conference to review the bill and found that if the lower

cap had been implemented last year, it would have cost local governments around \$146.6 million. The House versions of the proposals (HJR 469, HB 471) have yet to be considered in committee.

### **Governor Calls on Legislature to Pass New Tort Reforms**

Governor Ron DeSantis wants lawmakers to tackle new lawsuit reform measures to reduce the number of suits and the amount of damages faced by small businesses in court cases. Although DeSantis did not release detailed proposals, legislation expected to be filed for the upcoming session is expected to eliminate one-way attorney fees and fee multipliers for all lines of insurance, modernize Florida's "bad faith" law and protect small businesses from paying particularly high damages when they're not primarily at fault. The state's current "bad faith" law allows an insured person or someone who has been injured by an insured person to recover damages from an insurer for failing to settle a claim in good faith when the insurer could and should have done so. In a special session focused on property insurance in December, the Legislature agreed to eliminate "one-way attorney fees" and laws that allowed "assignment of benefits," which shifts more of the cost of suing over claims to homeowners. Another special session on property insurance held in May addressed one-way attorney's fees and attorney fee multipliers. The governor also expressed the need to implement set standards for awarding medical damages to prevent fraudulent practices, including requiring medical records, procedure codes and information regarding health insurance reimbursement to ensure accurate settlements are reached between parties.

### **Courthouse Lactation Space Bill Advances**

County courthouses would be required to provide at least one lactation space for members of the public by the beginning of 2024 under a bill unanimously passed by the House Civil Justice Subcommittee on Tuesday. The measure (HB 87), filed by Miami Democrat and freshman Rep. Ashley Gantt, would also require the lactation spaces to be shielded from public view, free from intrusion while occupied, and have at least one electrical outlet. Courthouses could be excluded from the requirement of providing lactation rooms if constructing such spaces incurs an unreasonable expense, or if there is insufficient space to repurpose. Funding to provide the spaces could come from private or state sources. The identical Senate companion (SB 144), sponsored by Boynton Beach Democrat Sen. Lori Berman, is awaiting consideration in its final committee of reference.

### **Resolution Seeking to Make it Harder to Change Constitution Advances**

A measure that would ask voters to change the state constitution to make it harder to pass changes to the document in the future was approved Tuesday by the House Ethics, Elections and Open Government Subcommittee. Currently, 60% of voters must vote yes on a proposed amendment to the constitution for it to take effect. The proposal (HJR 129) approved Tuesday would raise the threshold to 66.67% of the vote. If the proposal makes it through the legislative process, the question would go on the 2024 ballot – and would have to pass by the current 60% threshold. The resolution still needs approval of one more committee in the House.

### **Governor Deplatforming the Platforms?**

During a Wednesday press conference, Governor Ron DeSantis announced his 2023 plans to take on so-called "big tech" companies with new proposals that include seeking to ban China-based social media company TikTok from being used in public K-12 schools and universities. At a press conference Wednesday, the governor touted a "Digital Bill of Rights" that aims to restrict large tech firms from censoring or abusing the privacy of users. The proposal would also ban tech giants, including Google, Facebook, Twitter, Amazon and Apple, from surveilling private conversations without explicit authorization from users. It would require

transparency in search engine algorithms and mandate that tech firms allow users to control their personal data. Additionally, the governor wants to ban state and local government officials from coordinating with tech firms to censor online content. Similar bills (HB 379, SB 52) that would prohibit students from using social media platforms through district-provided internet and require in-school instruction on social media safety are already moving through the legislative process.

## **Snooze the Alarm? Bill Would Require Later School Start Times**

Hoping to address a need for young students to get more sleep to make them better able to learn, Rep. John Paul Temple, R-Wildwood, filed legislation (HB 733) that would require later start times for most middle and high schools in the state. The proposed mandate would require that middle schools begin classes no earlier than 8 a.m., and high schools no earlier than 8:30 a.m. The change wouldn't come until the start of the 2026-2027 school year, to give schools and families time to prepare.<sup>1</sup>

## **Current Bill Statistics**

Total Bills Filed: 923 (472 House; 451 Senate)

Appropriations Requests Filed in the House: 1,769 (nearly 1,000 increase)

Appropriations Requests Filed in the Senate: 547

## **Schedule for Committee 7 (February 20 – 24)**

The Senate's schedule can be viewed [here](#).

The House's schedule can be viewed [here](#).

## **Preview of 2023 Legislative Session**

### **Key Dates**

The 2023 Legislative Session gavels-in on March 7, 2023.

### **Committee Week Schedule**

- Week 7 – February 20-24

## **Legislation Tracking (From Lobbytools Folder)**

2023 Bills (37)				
Number	Title	Sponsor	Last Action	Date Foldered

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<sup>1</sup> However, even if passed, your morning commute will still be longer than you like.

HB 0327	<b>Fire Sprinkler System Projects</b>	Bell	02/16/23	01/24/23 12:46PM
(C: 408 )	<p>Fire Sprinkler System Projects: Provides requirements for simplified permitting process for certain fire sprinkler system projects; revises definition of term "contractor" as it relates to fire sprinkler systems. Effective Date: July 1, 2023</p> <p>01/23/23 HOUSE Filed</p> <p>02/01/23 HOUSE Referred to Regulatory Reform &amp; Economic Development Subcommittee; Commerce Committee</p> <p>02/01/23 HOUSE Now in Regulatory Reform &amp; Economic Development Subcommittee</p> <p>02/16/23 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Regulatory Reform &amp; Economic Development Subcommittee, 02/23/23, 9:00 am, 212 K</p>			
SB 0540	<b>Local Government Comprehensive Plans</b>	DiCeglie	02/16/23	02/07/23 10:06AM
(I: 359 )	<p>Local Government Comprehensive Plans; Authorizing certain administrative modifications to capital improvement schedules; providing that the prevailing party in a challenge to a plan or plan amendment is entitled to recover attorney fees and costs; awarding attorney fees and costs, including reasonable appellate attorney fees and costs, to the prevailing party in a challenge to the compliance of a small scale development amendment, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2023</p> <p>02/06/23 SENATE Filed</p> <p>02/16/23 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary; Rules</p>			
SB 0562	<b>Notices of Commencement</b>	Gruters	02/16/23	02/09/23 01:46PM
(C: 797 )	<p>Notices of Commencement; Requiring the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to furnish for distribution a uniform notice of commencement; requiring owners and authorized agents of owners to use such uniform notice, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2023</p> <p>02/07/23 SENATE Filed</p> <p>02/16/23 SENATE Referred to Judiciary; Regulated Industries; Rules</p>			
SB 0512	<b>Building Construction</b>	Hooper	02/16/23	02/03/23 10:18AM
(I: 89 )	<p>Building Construction; Prohibiting local enforcing agencies from making or requiring substantive changes to plans or specifications after a permit has been issued; providing that a building code administrator, inspector, or plans reviewer is subject to disciplinary action under certain circumstances; requiring local fire officials to provide</p>			

certain information to a permit applicant if building plans do not comply with the Florida Fire Prevention Code or Life Safety Code, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2023

02/03/23  
SENATE Filed

02/16/23  
SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Regulated Industries; Rules

SB 0682	<b>Residential Building Permits</b>	DiCeglie	02/16/23	02/10/23 11:32AM
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(S: 671 )  
(C: 765 )

Residential Building Permits; Deleting provisions relating to issuing building permits for certain residential dwellings; revising the timeframes for approving or denying certain building permits; revising the actions a local government must take after receiving specified information; requiring local governments to offer certain applicants the opportunity to meet in person or electronically; reducing permit fees by a certain percentage if certain timeframes are not met, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2023

02/10/23  
SENATE Filed

02/16/23  
SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Regulated Industries; Rules

SB 0856	<b>Amendments to Land Development Regulations</b>	Rodriguez	02/16/23	02/16/23 03:01PM
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(S: 41 )

Amendments to Land Development Regulations; Prohibiting an initiative or referendum process on land development regulation amendments, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2023

02/16/23  
SENATE Filed

SB 0102	<b>Housing</b>	Calatayud	02/15/23	01/27/23 11:19AM
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(I: 627 )  
(C: 220 229 771 772 )

Housing; Citing this act as the "Live Local Act"; deleting the authority of local governments to adopt or maintain laws, ordinances, rules, or other measures that would have the effect of imposing controls on rents; providing an exemption from ad valorem taxation for land that meets certain criteria; authorizing local governments to adopt ordinances to provide an ad valorem tax exemption for portions of property used to provide affordable housing meeting certain requirements; suspending, for a specified period, the General Revenue Fund service charge on documentary stamp tax collections; authorizing the Governor, under the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund, to approve state or local public infrastructure projects to facilitate the development or construction of affordable housing, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$711,000,000 Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2023

01/26/23  
SENATE Filed

01/26/23  
SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Appropriations

01/30/23  
SENATE On Committee agenda - Community Affairs, 02/08/23, 9:30 am, 401 S

02/01/23  
Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 02/03/23, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

02/08/23  
SENATE Favorable by Community Affairs; Yeas 9 Nays 0

02/08/23  
Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 02/10/23, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

02/08/23  
SENATE Now in Appropriations

02/13/23  
SENATE On Committee agenda - Appropriations, 02/22/23, 3:30 pm, 110 S

02/15/23  
Bill to be Discussed During the Office of EDR's Revenue Estimating Impact Conference, 02/17/23, 9:00 am, 117 K (No Votes Will Be Taken)

HB 0359	<b>Local Government Comprehensive Plans</b>	Duggan	02/15/23	01/24/23 12:50PM
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(I: 540 )

Local Government Comprehensive Plans: Authorizes certain administrative modifications to capital improvement schedules; provides that prevailing party in challenge to plan or plan amendment is entitled to recover attorney fees & costs; awards attorney fees & costs, including reasonable appellate attorney fees & costs, to prevailing party in challenge to compliance of small scale development amendment. Effective Date: July 1, 2023

01/23/23  
HOUSE Filed

02/01/23  
HOUSE Referred to Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee; Civil Justice Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee

02/01/23  
HOUSE Now in Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee

02/15/23  
HOUSE On Committee agenda - Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee, 02/22/23, 11:00 am, 17 H

HB 0383	<b>Public Construction</b>	Griffitts Jr.	02/15/23	01/24/23 12:52PM
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(S: 346 )

Public Construction: Provides that certain permit applications shall be deemed approved; revises provisions relating to payments for purchases of construction services by local governmental entities & public entities; revises time periods within which certain proceedings must be commenced & concluded; provides dates by which undisputed portion of certain payment requests must be paid. Effective Date: July 1, 2023

01/23/23

HOUSE Filed

02/01/23

HOUSE Referred to Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee; Commerce Committee; State Affairs Committee

02/01/23

HOUSE Now in Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee

02/15/23

HOUSE On Committee agenda - Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee, 02/22/23, 11:00 am, 17 H - PCS

HB 0331	<b>Liens and Bonds</b>	Overdorf	02/15/23	01/24/23 12:47PM
(S: 624 )	Liens and Bonds: Revises liens & bonds laws, including provisions relating to when notices must be served; notarizing forms; alternative forms of security; direct contracts; computation of time; extent of certain liens; requirements for notice of commencement, notice of termination, & notice of contest of lien; transferring lien to security; service of documents; immunity to issuing authority; & release of liens; & authorizes attorney fees in certain actions. Effective Date: July 1, 2023			
	01/23/23 HOUSE Filed			
	02/01/23 HOUSE Referred to Civil Justice Subcommittee; Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee			
	02/01/23 HOUSE Now in Civil Justice Subcommittee			
	02/07/23 HOUSE On Committee agenda - Civil Justice Subcommittee, 02/14/23, 1:30 pm, 404 H			
	02/14/23 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Civil Justice Subcommittee; 18 Yeas, 0 Nays			
	02/15/23 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed			
SB 0810	<b>Financing Improvements to Real Property</b>	Gruters	02/15/23	02/15/23 04:52PM
	Financing Improvements to Real Property; Authorizing a residential or commercial property owner to apply to a local government for funding to finance an improvement and to enter into a financing agreement with the local government; providing that a non-ad valorem assessment on certain commercial property is subject to a certain fee; specifying the determinations a local government must make before entering into a financing agreement for commercial and residential properties; restricting what improvements may be covered in certain agreements between local governments and residential property owners, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2023			
	02/15/23 SENATE Filed			
HB 0639	<b>Issuance of Special</b>	Esposito	02/14/23	02/09/23 02:04PM

**Beverage Licenses**

Issuance of Special Beverage Licenses: Revises requirements for issuing special beverage licenses to certain food service establishments. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

02/07/23

HOUSE Filed

02/14/23

HOUSE Referred to Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; Commerce Committee

02/14/23

HOUSE Now in Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee

HB 0627

**Housing**

Busatta Cabrera

02/14/23

02/07/23  
09:53AM

(I: 102 )

(C: 220 229 771 772 )

Housing: Removes authority of local governments to adopt or maintain laws, ordinances, or rules that have effect of imposing controls on rents; provides exemption from ad valorem taxation for land that meets certain criteria; authorizes local governments to adopt ordinances to provide an ad valorem tax exemption for portions of property used to provide affordable housing meeting certain requirements; suspends, for a specified period, General Revenue Fund service charge on documentary stamp tax collections; authorizes Governor, under the Florida Job Growth Grant Fund, to approve state or local public infrastructure projects to facilitate the development or construction of affordable housing, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2023

02/06/23

HOUSE Filed

02/14/23

HOUSE Referred to State Affairs Committee; Ways & Means Committee; Appropriations Committee

02/14/23

HOUSE Now in State Affairs Committee

HB 0671

**Residential Building Permits**

Esposito

02/14/23

02/09/23  
02:08PM

(S: 682 )

Residential Building Permits: Removes provisions relating to acquiring building permits for certain residential dwellings; requires local jurisdiction to reduce permit fees; revises timeframes for approving or denying building permits; specifies when permit application is deemed complete & sufficient; requires opportunity for in-person or virtual meeting before second request for additional information may be made; reduces permit fees if certain timeframes are not met; specifies that permit requirements apply to single-family residential units & single-family residential dwellings; requires that local governments follow prescribed timeframes unless local ordinance is more stringent. Effective Date: July 1, 2023

02/08/23

HOUSE Filed

02/14/23

HOUSE Referred to Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; State Administration & Technology Appropriations Subcommittee; Commerce Committee

02/14/23

HOUSE Now in Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee

HB 0617	<b>Private Property for Motor Vehicle Parking</b>	Lopez (V)	02/14/23	02/09/23 01:58PM
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(I: 694 )

Private Property for Motor Vehicle Parking: Requiring owners or operators of certain property to follow specified rules; prohibits certain invoices from resembling specified citations; removes provision prohibiting certain county and municipal regulations. Effective Date: July 1, 2023

02/06/23

HOUSE Filed

02/14/23

HOUSE Referred to Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee

02/14/23

HOUSE Now in Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee

HB 0543	<b>Concealed Carry of Weapons and Firearms Without a License</b>	Brannan III	02/14/23	01/30/23 11:30PM
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(C: 150 )

Concealed Carry of Weapons and Firearms Without a License: Authorizes person to carry concealed weapon or concealed firearm if he or she is licensed to do so or meets specified requirements; requires person who is carrying concealed weapon or concealed firearm without license to carry identification & display upon demand by law enforcement; prohibits person who is carrying concealed weapon or concealed firearm without license from carrying such weapon or firearm in specified locations; authorizes nonresident to carry concealed weapon or concealed firearm in this state if he or she meets same requirements as resident; provides person authorized to carry concealed weapon or concealed firearm without license is subject to specified penalties for possessing such weapon or firearm at school-sponsored event or on school property. Effective Date: July 1, 2023

01/30/23

HOUSE Filed

01/31/23

HOUSE Referred to Constitutional Rights, Rule of Law & Government Operations Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee

01/31/23

HOUSE Now in Constitutional Rights, Rule of Law & Government Operations Subcommittee

01/31/23

HOUSE On Committee agenda - Constitutional Rights, Rule of Law & Government Operations Subcommittee, 02/07/23, 2:00 pm, 212 K

02/07/23  
HOUSE Favorable by Constitutional Rights, Rule of Law & Government Operations  
Subcommittee; 10 Yeas, 5 Nays

02/07/23  
HOUSE Now in Judiciary Committee

02/14/23  
HOUSE On Committee agenda - Judiciary Committee, 02/21/23, 8:00 am, 404 H -  
PCS

SB 0782	<b>Department of Business and Professional Regulation</b>	Hooper	02/14/23	02/15/23 04:47PM
(I: 869 )	Department of Business and Professional Regulation; Requiring the department to certify for licensure qualified individuals who practice mold assessment or mold remediation and hold certain licenses issued by other states or territories; revising requirements for the issuance of an asbestos consultant's license; removing a time limitation for applying for certain contracting licenses under certain provisions; requiring licensees and licensed agents to maintain a division online account and provide the division with specified information; deleting a requirement limiting the types of boxing exhibitions which require a specified maximum difference in participant weights, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2023			
	02/14/23 SENATE Filed			
SB 0772	<b>Florida Hometown Hero Housing Program</b>	Davis	02/14/23	02/14/23 04:36PM
(S: 771 ) (C: 102 627 )	Florida Hometown Hero Housing Program; Creating the Florida Hometown Hero Housing Program to be administered by the Florida Housing Finance Corporation; specifying requirements for loans under the program; authorizing the corporation to underwrite and make such loans to specified borrowers, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2023			
	02/14/23 SENATE Filed			
HB 0771	<b>Florida Hometown Hero Housing Program</b>	Nixon	02/13/23	02/13/23 04:58PM
(S: 772 ) (C: 102 627 )	Florida Hometown Hero Housing Program: Creates Florida Hometown Hero Housing Program to be administered by Florida Housing Finance Corporation; provides purpose of program; specifies requirements for loans under program; authorizes corporation to underwrite & make such loans to specified borrowers; specifies borrowers who are ineligible for program. Effective Date: July 1, 2023			
	02/13/23 HOUSE Filed			
SB 0360	<b>Causes of Action Based on</b>	Hutson	02/13/23	01/25/23 09:51AM

**Improvements to Real Property**

(C: 85 )

Causes of Action Based on Improvements to Real Property; Revising the time in which an action founded on the design, planning, or construction of an improvement to real property must be commenced; revising the date on which the statute of limitations period begins; providing for the calculation of the statute of limitations period for multi-dwelling buildings, etc. Effective Date: Upon becoming a law

01/24/23

SENATE Filed

02/09/23

SENATE Referred to Judiciary; Rules

02/13/23

SENATE On Committee agenda - Judiciary, 02/21/23, 1:00 pm, 412 K

SB 0170

**Local Ordinances**

Trumbull

02/13/23

02/11/23  
03:41PM

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 or cause to be prepared a business impact estimate before the enactment of a proposed ordinance; requiring a county to suspend enforcement of an ordinance that is the subject of a certain legal action if certain conditions are met; requiring a governing body of a municipality to prepare or cause to be prepared a business impact estimate before the enactment of a proposed ordinance, etc. Effective Date: 10/1/2023

01/24/23

SENATE Filed

01/26/23

SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Rules

01/30/23

SENATE On Committee agenda - Community Affairs, 02/08/23, 9:30 am, 401 S

02/08/23

SENATE Favorable with CS by Community Affairs; 7 Yeas, 2 Nays

02/09/23

SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

02/09/23

SENATE Now in Rules

02/13/23

SENATE On Committee agenda - Rules, 02/23/23, 9:30 am, 412 K

HB 0765

**Building Permit Applications to Local Governments**

Roth

02/13/23

02/13/23  
11:15AM

(C: 682 )

Building Permit Applications to Local Governments: Requires local government to post & update information on its website; requires electronic submission of application; authorizes local government to provide notice of expiration within specified timeframe; prohibits local government from issuing permit unless specified information is included with permit & provided to applicant; revises application process; prohibits local government from requesting additional information from &

imposing additional requirements on applicant other than those posted on its website; revises amount by which permit fee must be reduced in certain instances; provides limitation on specified fee. Effective Date: July 1, 2023

02/13/23  
HOUSE Filed

HB 0085	<b>Causes of Action Based on Improvements to Real Property</b>	Snyder	02/13/23	01/04/23 08:05AM
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(C: 360 ) Causes of Action Based on Improvements to Real Property: Revises time in which action founded on design, planning, or construction of improvement to real property must be commenced; revises date on which statute of limitations period begins; provides for calculation of statute of limitations period for multi-dwelling buildings; defines "material violation." Effective Date: upon becoming a law

12/29/22  
HOUSE Filed

01/10/23  
HOUSE Referred to Civil Justice Subcommittee; Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee

01/10/23  
HOUSE Now in Civil Justice Subcommittee

01/19/23  
HOUSE On Committee agenda - Civil Justice Subcommittee, 01/26/23, 9:00 am, 404 H

01/26/23  
HOUSE Favorable with CS by Civil Justice Subcommittee; 15 Yeas, 3 Nays

01/27/23  
HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

01/30/23  
HOUSE Now in Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee

01/31/23  
HOUSE On Committee agenda - Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee, 02/07/23, 2:00 pm, 404 H

02/07/23  
HOUSE Favorable with CS by Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; 14 Yeas, 1 Nay

02/08/23  
HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed

02/13/23  
HOUSE Now in Judiciary Committee

SB 0694	<b>Private Property For Motor Vehicle Parking</b>	Gruters	02/10/23	02/10/23 03:00PM
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(I: 617 ) Private Property for Motor Vehicle Parking; Requiring owners and operators of certain property to follow specified rules; prohibiting certain invoices from resembling

specified citations; removing a provision prohibiting certain county and municipal regulations, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2023

02/10/23  
SENATE Filed

SB 0408	<b>Fire Sprinkler System Project Permitting</b>	Perry	02/09/23	01/27/23 12:11PM
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(C: 327 )

Fire Sprinkler System Project Permitting; Defining terms; requiring replacement fire sprinkler system components to meet certain criteria; requiring local enforcement agencies to perform at least one inspection for a fire sprinkler system project; requiring contractors to keep certain documentation available at a worksite for a fire sprinkler system project and make such documentation available for inspection, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2023

01/26/23  
SENATE Filed

02/09/23  
SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Regulated Industries; Rules

SB 0398	<b>Limitation of Actions Involving Real Estate Appraisers and Appraisal Management Companies</b>	Rodriguez	02/09/23	01/27/23 12:07PM
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(I: 213 )

Limitation of Actions Involving Real Estate Appraisers and Appraisal Management Companies; Defining terms; specifying statutes of limitations periods for certain actions involving real estate appraisers and appraisal management companies, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2023

01/25/23  
SENATE Filed

02/09/23  
SENATE Referred to Judiciary; Regulated Industries; Rules

SB 0474	<b>Property Tax Administration</b>	Garcia (I)	02/09/23	02/02/23 09:17PM
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Property Tax Administration; Revising the timeframe under which certain appeals of value adjustment board decisions must be filed by a property appraiser under certain circumstances; specifying when erroneous assessments of homestead property must be corrected; authorizing a taxpayer to appeal the amount of a homestead assessment limitation difference with the value adjustment board; adding appeals for which a value adjustment board must meet to hear, etc. Effective Date: 1/1/2024

02/01/23  
SENATE Filed

02/09/23  
SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Finance and Tax; Appropriations

SB 0346	<b>Public Construction</b>	DiCeglie	02/09/23	01/27/23 11:41AM
(S: 383 )	<p>Public Construction; Providing that applications for approval of a development permit or development order which are under review by a municipality are deemed approved after a specified timeframe; requiring a certain list to include a dollar valuation using reasonable market rates of the estimated cost to complete items on the list; revising the timeframe within which proceedings must commence to resolve disputes between vendors and local governmental entities; revising the conditions that require a public entity to pay or release amounts subject to certain disputes or claims, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2023</p> <p>01/24/23 SENATE Filed</p> <p>02/09/23 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Rules</p>			
HB 0439	<b>Land Use and Development Regulations</b>	McClain	02/01/23	01/27/23 02:05PM
(C: 484 759 )	<p>Land Use and Development Regulations: Revises effect of special magistrate's recommendation; revises local governmental entity notification requirements; revises types of data that comprehensive plans &amp; plan amendments must be based on; requires local government to submit affidavit for specified purposes; requires that EDR be sole publisher of specified estimates; revises elements that must be included in comprehensive plan; revises frequency at which local government must evaluate its comprehensive plan; prohibits local government from adopting plan amendments when it fails to meet certain requirements; revises exceptions to applicability of land development regulations relating to single-family or two-family dwelling building design elements; requires AG to audit county transportation trust fund. Effective Date: July 1, 2023</p> <p>01/24/23 HOUSE Filed</p> <p>02/01/23 HOUSE Referred to Local Administration, Federal Affairs &amp; Special Districts Subcommittee; Commerce Committee; State Affairs Committee</p> <p>02/01/23 HOUSE Now in Local Administration, Federal Affairs &amp; Special Districts Subcommittee</p>			
HB 0325	<b>Flood Disclosures for Residential and Commercial Property Sales</b>	Valdes	02/01/23	01/24/23 12:46PM
<p>Flood Disclosures for Residential and Commercial Property Sales: Requires seller of residential &amp; commercial property to disclose certain flood information to prospective purchaser before executing contract for sale of property. Effective Date: July 1, 2023</p> <p>01/23/23 HOUSE Filed</p> <p>02/01/23</p>				

HOUSE Referred to Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee;  
Civil Justice Subcommittee; Commerce Committee

02/01/23

HOUSE Now in Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee

HB 0305	<b>Protection of Medical Freedom</b>	Barnaby	02/01/23	01/20/23 12:57PM
(I: 222 )	Prohibits DOH from requiring enrollment in state's immunization registry or otherwise requiring persons to submit to immunization tracking; prohibits business & governmental entities from requiring individuals to provide proof of vaccination to gain access to, entry upon, or service from such entities; prohibits employers from refusing employment to, or discharging, disciplining, demoting, or otherwise discriminating against, individual on basis of vaccination or immunity status; revises purposes of Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992 to include discrimination protection for vaccination or immunity status. Effective Date: July 1, 2023			
	01/20/23 HOUSE Filed			
	02/01/23 HOUSE Referred to Healthcare Regulation Subcommittee; Civil Justice Subcommittee; Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee; Health & Human Services Committee			
	02/01/23 HOUSE Now in Healthcare Regulation Subcommittee			
SB 0222	<b>Protection of Medical Freedom</b>	Gruters	01/26/23	01/19/23 08:50AM
(I: 305 )	Protection of Medical Freedom; Prohibiting the Department of Health from requiring enrollment in the state's immunization registry or otherwise requiring persons to submit to immunization tracking; prohibiting business and governmental entities from requiring individuals to provide proof of vaccination or postinfection recovery from any disease to gain access to, entry upon, or service from such entities; prohibiting employers from refusing employment to, or discharging, disciplining, demoting, or otherwise discriminating against, an individual solely on the basis of vaccination or immunity status; revising the purposes of the Florida Civil Rights Act of 1992 to include discrimination protection for vaccination or immunity status, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2023			
	01/18/23 SENATE Filed			
	01/26/23 SENATE Referred to Judiciary; Health Policy; Rules			
HB 0229	<b>Taxation of Affordable Housing</b>	Cross	01/25/23	02/07/23 09:53AM
(I: 220 ) (C: 102 627 )	Authorizes counties & municipalities to adopt ordinances to grant partial ad valorem tax exemptions to property owners whose properties are used to provide affordable housing; specifies duties of boards of county commissioners & municipal governing bodies adopting ordinances granting such exemptions; requires owners of property			

that is improperly granted such exemptions to pay owed taxes, penalties, & interest.  
Effective Date: July 1, 2023

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HOUSE Filed

01/25/23  
HOUSE Referred to Ways & Means Committee; Local Administration, Federal  
Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee

01/25/23  
HOUSE Now in Ways & Means Committee

HB 0213	<b>Limitation of Actions Involving Real Estate Appraisers and Appraisal Management Companies</b>	Borrero	01/25/23	01/19/23 08:44AM
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(I: 398 )  
Limitation of Actions Involving Real Estate Appraisers and Appraisal Management  
Companies: Specifies limitations periods for certain actions involving real estate  
appraisers & appraisal management companies. Effective Date: July 1, 2023

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HOUSE Filed

01/25/23  
HOUSE Referred to Civil Justice Subcommittee; Regulatory Reform & Economic  
Development Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee

01/25/23  
HOUSE Now in Civil Justice Subcommittee

SB 0220	<b>Taxation of Affordable Housing</b>	Rodriguez	01/18/23	02/07/23 09:53AM
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(I: 229 )  
(C: 102 627 )  
Taxation of Affordable Housing; Authorizing counties and municipalities to adopt  
ordinances to grant ad valorem tax exemptions to property owners whose properties  
are used to provide affordable housing; specifying limits on the amount of such  
exemptions; specifying requirements for ordinances granting such exemptions;  
specifying duties of boards of county commissioners and municipal governing  
bodies adopting ordinances granting such exemptions or repealing such ordinances,  
etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2023

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SENATE Filed

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SENATE Withdrawn prior to introduction

HB 0089	<b>Building Construction</b>	Maggard	01/10/23	01/04/23 08:00AM
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(I: 512 )  
Building Construction: Revises definition of term "class A air-conditioning  
contractor"; prohibits certain persons or entities from making substantive changes to  
building plans after permit has been issued; provides exceptions; requires certain  
persons to provide certain information to certain persons or entities; provides that

certain persons are subject to disciplinary action under certain circumstances.  
Effective Date: July 1, 2023

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HOUSE Filed

01/10/23  
HOUSE Referred to Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee;  
Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts Subcommittee; Commerce  
Committee

01/10/23  
HOUSE Now in Regulatory Reform & Economic Development Subcommittee

HB 0041	<b>Land Development Initiative and Referendum Processes</b>	Garcia	12/23/22	01/04/23 08:02AM
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(S: 856 )

Land Development Initiative and Referendum Processes: Revises restrictions on initiative and referendum processes. Effective Date: July 1, 2023

12/14/22  
HOUSE Filed

12/23/22  
HOUSE Referred to Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts  
Subcommittee; Infrastructure Strategies Committee; State Affairs Committee

12/23/22  
HOUSE Now in Local Administration, Federal Affairs & Special Districts  
Subcommittee