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2018 Legislative Session

- 3,192 bills filed in House and Senate combined
- 200 bills passed (6%)
- 157 bills approved by Governor to date



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FLC 2018 Legislative Priorities

as adopted by membership

- Local Self-Government
- Communications Services Tax Protection
- Community Redevelopment Agencies
- Sober Homes
- Transportation Funding
- Water Funding



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FLC 2018 Legislative Priorities

new issues arising during session

- Firefighter Cancer Benefit
- First Responder PTSD Benefits
- Municipal Elections
- Municipal Travel Restrictions
- Short Term Rentals
- Financial Transparency
- Tree Trimming



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The Budget



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General Appropriations Act FY 2018-19

HB 5001 was the final adopted pre-veto budget totaling approximately \$88.7 billion, which is the largest budget ever for the state of Florida. The budget is a \$630 million increase over last year. The budget represents \$32.4 billion from general revenue and \$56.3 billion from trust funds.

- The Governor's veto list totals just over \$64 million.



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Affordable Housing & Homelessness Funding

Affordable Housing:

- \$109.6 million in housing appropriations from the Housing Trust Funds
- \$44.4 million State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) program
- \$30 million for the State Apartment Incentive Loan (SAIL) program

Homelessness:

- \$4.1 million in Challenge Grants through the Department of Children and Families
- \$3.6 million for homeless housing assistance grants



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Transportation Funding

- Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles: \$480 million
- Florida Department of Transportation: \$10.9 billion (of which \$9.9 billion is earmarked to the department's work plan to build and repair Florida's highway infrastructure)
- Small County Outreach Program (SCOP): \$72.8 million
- Small County Resurface Assistance Program (SCRAP): \$29.8 million



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Economic Development Funding

- Florida Job Growth Grant Funding: \$85 million GR
- Visit Florida: \$76 Million TF and GR
- Economic Development Projects and Initiatives: \$12.9 Million
- Workforce Development Projects and Initiatives: \$5.8 Million



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Environmental Funding

- Florida Forever: \$100.8 million, includes \$10 million for Florida Communities Trust and \$2 million for Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) and additional FRDAP for "child friendly parks" \$4 million
- Everglades Restoration: \$143.1 million
- Northern Everglades Restoration: \$31 million
- EAA Reservoir: \$64 million
- Herbert Hoover Dike: \$50 million
- Beach Management Funding Assistance: \$50 million
- Hurricane Beach Recovery: \$11.2 million
- Springs Restoration: \$50 million
- Water Projects: \$30.9 million



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School Safety Appropriations from CS/SB 7026 (The Marjory Stoneman Douglas Act)

- Safe Schools Allocation: additional \$97.5 million, including funds to increase the minimum level for each school district to \$250,000, to be used exclusively to hire additional school resource officers
- Mental Health Assistance Allocation: \$69.2 million to provide funds to school districts and charter schools to assist in establishing or expanding school-based mental health care in coordination with mental health providers to help address the mental health crisis affecting young people in Florida; address issues such as opioid addiction, youth suicide, and bullying
- Mental Health Awareness and Assistance Training: \$6.7 million
- School Hardening Grants Program: \$99 million



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Priorities that Passed



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Controlled Substances

CS/CS/HB 21 (Boyd) addresses the opioid crisis by imposing new requirements on dispensing and prescribing controlled substances and by expanding use of the state's Prescription Drug Monitoring Program.

- 3-day limit on supply of opioids for acute pain; 7-days if deemed medically necessary by prescriber
- Requires review of patient's PDMP history before prescribing/dispensing controlled substance
- Pharmacists must require photo ID
- Expands access to PDMP for specified practitioners and facilitates data exchange
- New and increased criminal penalties
- \$53.5M in funding for treatment programs and upgrades to PDMP

Effective July 1, 2018. Chapter No. 2018-013



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Workers' Compensation Benefits for First Responders (PTSD)

- **CS/CS/SB 376** (Book) details specific traumatic events that would qualify a first responder to be compensable under the workers' compensation law for lost wages, if a mental or nervous injury was shown to meet the criteria for PTSD as determined by a psychiatrist. The legislation:
- Requires a clear and convincing evidentiary standard be met by the first responder.
- Requires a first responder to receive a diagnosis of PTSD within 30 days of the qualifying event or 30 days from the manifestation of the disorder, whichever is later, but cannot be more than a year after the qualifying event.
- Requires an employing agency of a first responder to provide educational training related to mental health awareness, prevention, mitigation and treatment.

Effective October 1, 2018. Chapter No. 2018-124



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Other Bills that Passed



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Firearms

SB 7026 (Senate Appropriations) creates the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act, providing firearm restrictions, interagency coordination measures and funding for law enforcement, courts and schools.

- Restrictions on Purchase & Possession of Firearms
 - 3-day waiting period (some exceptions apply)
 - Prohibits purchase by persons under 21
 - Prohibits bump-fire stocks
- Risk Protection Orders for Surrender of Firearms & Ammunition
 - Creates process for law enforcement to petition court to temporarily prevent persons at high risk of harming themselves or others from accessing firearms
 - Establishes requirements for petition, notice, hearing, grounds for issuance, service of order; process for vacation or extension of order
 - Issuance of order requires immediate surrender, including concealed carry license
 - Court may issue order for up to 12 months



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Firearms Cont.

- Seizure of Firearms/Baker Act
 - Authorizes law enforcement when taking person into custody for involuntary examination to seize and hold firearm if person poses potential danger to himself or others and has made a credible threat of violence against another.
 - Prohibits person adjudicated mentally defective or who has been committed to a mental institution from owning or possessing firearm until court order is obtained.
- School Safety
 - Creates MSD School Safety Commission to investigate system failures and development recommendations for systems improvements
 - Establishes requirements for schools to prepare for and respond to active emergency situations
 - Requires FDLE to procure mobile suspicious activity reporting tool for reporting of anonymous information about specified activities
 - Requires assignment of one or more “safe-school officers” at each School facility
 - Authorizes Sheriffs to create “Guardian Program” permitting certain school personnel to carry firearms upon completing specified training
- Appropriates \$400M to expand number of school resource officers, enhances school security, and provides mental health training, screening and counseling services in schools.

Effective upon becoming law. Chapter No. 2018-003



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Developments of Regional Impact (DRIs)

CS/CS/HB 1151 (La Rosa) amends provisions related to existing development of regional impact (DRI) development orders. The DRI program ended in 2015, but existing development orders continue to exist. The bill repeals provisions related to the state land planning agency’s (Department of Economic Opportunity) role in the process and shifts the remaining responsibilities to local governments. The legislation preserves all entitlements, vested rights and other protections for existing DRIs.

Effective upon becoming law. The Governor must act on this bill by April 10, 2018.



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Customary Use/Beach Access

CS/HB 631 (Edwards-Walpole) originally preempted the use of local government ordinances that establish customary use, and instead require that such a determination be made by a court.

As passed, the bill provides for a compromise process by which a governmental entity may affirm customary use rights by first adopting an ordinance and then seeking a judicial determination of the recreational customary use.

Effective July 1, 2018. Chapter No. 2018-094.



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Supermajority Vote for State Tax Increases

HJR 7001 (Ways & Means) proposes an amendment to Florida's Constitution to require that a state tax or fee imposed, authorized, or raised by the Legislature, be approved by two-thirds of the membership of each house of the Legislature.

- This does not apply to any tax or fee imposed by a municipality.
- This will be Amendment 5 on the November 2018 general election ballot.
- If approved by sixty percent of the voters, the amendment proposed in HJR 7001 will take effect on January 8, 2019.



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Local Business Tax Exemption

SB 100 (Stuebe) and **HB 7087** (Ways & Means) create an exemption from the local business tax exemptions for the following:

- Honorably discharged veterans and their spouses;
- Unremarried surviving spouses of honorably discharged veterans;
- Active duty military servicemembers' spouses who relocate to the county or municipality pursuant to a permanent change of station order;
- Low-income individuals receiving public assistance, as defined in s. 403.2554, F.S.; and
- Low-income individuals with a household income less than 130 percent of the federal poverty level based on the current year's federal poverty guidelines.
- If an exempt individual owns a majority interest in a business with fewer than 100 employees, the business is exempt.

Effective July 1, 2018. Chapter No. 2018-80.



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Tax Package

HB 7087 (Ways & Means) is the tax reduction package for the 2018 Session.

- Includes various reductions in property taxes including relief for damaged homestead properties and citrus processing facilities.
- Expands the permissible uses of TDT revenues by authorizing counties to use the revenues in connection with the building or improving of certain infrastructure if certain conditions are met.
- Includes a broad array of tax cuts include various sales tax exemptions.
 - Sales tax on Commercial Leases (5.8 to 5.7%)
 - 3-day Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday
 - 7-day Disaster Preparedness Holiday
 - Hurricane relief for agriculture (building materials, fencing, etc.)
 - Temporary sales tax exemption/rebate for generators for nursing homes

Effective July 1, 2018 except as otherwise specified. Chapter No. 2018-118.



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Environmental Regulation

CS/CS/HB 1149 (Payne) addresses reclaimed water, recycling, wastewater utilities and environmental permits:

- Reclaimed Water – authorizes process for coordinating DEP and WMD permits when reclaimed water used for aquifer recharge
- Recycling -- requires local gov't recycling contracts (entered or renewed on or after July 1, 2018) to address "contamination" in residential recycling.
- Wastewater Utilities – creates voluntary incentive program to help reduce sanitary sewer overflows
- Environmental Permits – clarifies existing law about projects exempt from state environmental permits

Effective upon becoming law. The Governor must act on this bill by April 10, 2018.



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Linear Facilities

HB 405 (Williamson) revises statutory definition of "development" relevant to work by utilities in rights-of-way and revises provisions of the Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Acts.

- Work by utility in existing right-of-way or corridor exempt; bill expands exemption to rights-of-way "yet to be" established
- Siting Acts authorize variance from certain local gov't ordinances; bill specifies the variance standard in the Acts shall be applied (rather than local government variance standard)
- Bill specifies that Siting Acts cannot in any way affect exclusive jurisdiction of PSC to require transmission lines be located underground

Effective upon becoming law. Chapter No. 2018-034.



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Bills that Failed



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Land Use and Economic Development Failed Legislation



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Community Redevelopment Agencies (CRAs)

- **CS/HB 17** (Raburn) and **SB 432** (Lee) sought to dramatically reduce the efficacy of CRA's as well as increase the accountability and transparency of CRAs.
- **CS/HB 17**
 - required any new CRA be created by a special act of the Legislature.
 - provided for the eventual phasing-out of all existing CRAs, unless reauthorized by a super majority vote of the body which created the CRA prior to 2038.
- **SB 432**
 - capped administrative CRA spending at 18 percent
 - prohibited tax increment expenditures on: festivals, street parties, grants to promote tourism, and grants to socially beneficial programs
 - amended CRA board composition by requiring the appointment of two non-elected members.
- **CS/HB 17 passed the House but failed to pass the legislature when SB 432 stalled in the Senate.**
- In a second attempt for the House to pass CRA provisions, **CS/CS/HB 883** (Ingoglia), a bill related to the creation of community development districts (CDDs), was heavily amended in the House to include harmful CRA provisions.
- Ultimately, no CRA language passed the legislature.



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Impact Fees

CS/CS/SB 324 (Young) and **CS/CS/CS/HB 697** (Miller) would have prohibited local governments from collecting impact fees prior to the issuance a building permit for the property that is subject to the fee.

- codified the dual rational nexus test (a legal standard impact fees must meet)
- prohibited the use of impact fee revenues to pay existing debt or for prior approved projects, unless the expenditure is reasonably connected to, or has a rational nexus with, the increased impact generated by the new construction
- exempted water and sewer connection fees from the impact fee provisions of the bills.

The bills failed when CS/CS/CS/SB 324 was not considered on the Senate floor.



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Workers' Compensation

HB 7009 (House Commerce Committee) would have allowed injured workers to receive up to 260 weeks of temporary total disability or temporary partial disability, and would have substantially revised the attorney fees provisions. HB 7009 would have mandated a specified notice regarding attorney fees be signed by the claimant that states the injured worker may be responsible for any remaining attorney fees, and would have removed a restriction for injured workers to enter into a fee agreement with an attorney.

The bill passed the House but was not heard in the Senate.



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Sovereign Immunity

HB 1131 (Jenne) and **SB 1812** (Rader) would have substantially amended the waiver of sovereign immunity for governments, including cities. The bill would have allowed a local government to purchase insurance or to self-insure up to \$5 million to pay a claim judgment by any one person or \$7.5 million to cover the total claims or judgments arising out of the same incident or occurrence. The bills imposed a significant fiscal impact to cities since they increased a local governments liability without a claims bill.

The bills were not considered in committee.



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Vegetable Gardens

SB 1776 (Bradley) would have preempted local governments from enacting local ordinances or regulations of vegetable gardens on residential properties.

The bill passed the Senate but was never considered by the House.



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Federal Immigration/Sanctuary Policies

CS/HB 9 (Metz) and **SB 308** (Bean) prohibited the adoption of a sanctuary policy by a local government, and required cooperation with federal immigration authorities. The bills required a state or local government official to promptly report a known or probable violation of the law to the attorney general or the state attorney having jurisdiction over the local governmental entity. The bills imposed a civil penalty of at least \$1,000 but no more than \$5,000 for each day a policy that violates the Act was in effect.

CS/HB 9 passed the House, but was never considered by the Senate in committee.



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Private Property Comprehensive Plan Element

HB 207 (McClain) and **SB 362** (Perry) would have required local governments to adopt a new mandatory element in their comprehensive plans that would address the protection of private property.

The bills were not considered in committee.



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Annexation

HB 1121 (Silvers) and **SB 1722** (Torres) would have revised the process for cities to make annexations. The bills would have been amended the definition of enclave, and adjusted annexation procedures of enclaves.

The bills were not considered in committee.



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Utilities, Natural Resources and Public Works Failed Legislation



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Interruption of Solid Waste and Telecommunications Services

CS/CS/HB 971 (Fine) and **SB 1368** (Mayfield) would have required a municipality or private solid waste provider to issue refunds to customers if solid waste collection service was not provided within four calendar days of a regularly scheduled service – even if the missed service is attributable to a natural disaster or the customer.

The Senate bill was never heard in any committee. The House bill was poised for a vote by the full House but was temporarily postponed by the bill sponsor and died on the House calendar.



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Tree Trimming & Removal

CS/SB 574 (Steube) and **CS/CS/HB 521** (Edwards) would have preempted local government tree ordinances as applied to private property.

CS/SB 574 died in committee. **CS/CS/HB 521** passed the House but died in the Senate.



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Recovered Materials & Solid Waste

CS/HB 879 (Toledo) and **SB 1326** (Baxley) would have expanded the statutory definition of "recovered materials" to include wood, asphalt and concrete.

Both bills died in committee.



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Natural Resources/Florida Forever

CS/CS/HB 7063 (Government Accountability Committee) would have revised Florida Forever funding allocations and policies by consolidating existing statutory allocations from nine categories into three main categories: land acquisition, Florida Communities Trust and the Rural and Family Lands Protection Program.

The bill died in the House.



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Ethics & Elections Failed Legislation



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Municipal Elections

CS/CS/SB 1262 (Hutson) and **HB 7037** (House Government Accountability Committee) would have prohibited municipalities from selecting the dates for their municipal elections and would have required municipalities to hold general elections on specified dates in either March or November.

CS/CS/ SB 1262 died on the Senate calendar. **HB 7037** passed the House but died in the Senate.



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Travel Expenses

CS/CS/SB 1180 (Steube) and **CS/CS/CS/HB 815** (Avila) would have required elected officials to obtain approval of their governing body prior to undertaking out-of-state or foreign travel, and would have required travel expense information to be posted on the local government's website.

CS/CS/SB 1180 died in the Senate Rules Committee. **CS/CS/CS/HB 815** was substantially amended and passed the House but died in the Senate.



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Local Government Ethics Reform

HB 7003 (formerly PCB PIE 18-02) (House Public Integrity & Ethics Committee) and **SB 1534** (Mayfield) would have revised state Ethics Code provisions on financial disclosure, conflicting employment and contractual relationships, voting conflicts, and the regulation of persons who lobby before local governments. The bills would have required elected municipal mayors and governing board officers of municipalities with \$10 million or more in revenues to file the full public disclosure of financial interests (Form 6). The bills also would have preempted to the state local government lobbyist registration requirements.

HB 7003 passed the House but died in the Senate. SB 1534 never received a hearing in the Senate.



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Finance, Taxation & Personnel Failed Legislation



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Communications Services Tax

HB 1245 (Brodeur) and **SB 1210** (Brandes) would have defined “internet video service” and excluded this type of service from the definition of “communications services” and therefore excluded internet video services from the communications services tax. These services are taxable under current law.

Both bills died in committee.



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Cancer Benefits for Firefighters

CS/CS/SB 900 (Flores) and **HB 695** (Latvala) would have mandated a package of benefits for firefighters who are diagnosed with one of 21 different cancers. The benefits included treatment of cancer for ten years post-employment, a \$25,000 cash payout, disability retirement and death benefits.

Both bills died in committee.



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Local Governmental Fiscal Transparency

CS/SB 1426 (Lee) and **HB 7** (Burton) would have amended multiple provisions related to local government financial transparency including requiring additional public notice, public meeting, analysis and reporting for new or increased taxes, long-term tax-supported debt and economic development.

HB 7 passed the House early in session but died in messages. CS/SB 1426 died awaiting action by the full Senate.



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Government Accountability

CS/CS/HB 354 (Stargel) and **CS/HB 11** (Metz) were comprehensive proposals dealing with government accountability and auditing based on recommendations from the Auditor General. The bills would have required municipalities to report monthly, all public officer and employee travel information resulting from an overnight stay.

- **CS/CS/SB 354** also included additional reporting requirements, would have given the clerk of the courts additional authority over municipalities and changed the deadline for Annual Financial Reports and annual audits from 9 to 6 months after the end of the fiscal year.

CS/HB 11 was passed by the full House but died in messages. CS/CS/HB 354 died in committee.



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Financial Reporting

CS/CS/HB 1019 (La Rosa) would have changed multiple aspects of local government financial reporting. The bill would have required municipalities to submit information to the Office of Economic and Demographic Research and a copy of their budget and a certification of timely filing to the clerk of the court. If a local government failed to file required reports with the clerk of the court, the clerk would have been required to notify the appropriate fiscal officer to withhold salary payments from the head of the local government entity until the reports are filed.

CS/CS/HB 1019 died in Senate messages.



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Expansion of Property Tax Portability

SJR 452 (Brandes) and **HJR 501** (Ahern) proposed a constitutional amendment that would have extended, from 2 to 3 years, the “portability” period during which a Florida citizen has the ability to transfer up to \$500,000 of accumulated Save our Homes cap benefits from an existing or prior homestead property to a new homesteaded property.

CS/SB 454 (Brandes) and **HB 503** (Ahern) would have implemented this proposed constitutional amendment if approved by sixty percent of voters. These proposals were estimated to have a less than one-million-dollar recurring impact on municipal property taxes.

Both bills died in committee.



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Municipal Administration Failed Legislation



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Vacation Rentals

CS/CS/SB 1400 (Steube) would have preempted all regulation of vacation rentals to the state.

- Required a state license application to contain the operator's emergency contact number.
- Allowed a temporary state license to be issued and allows vacation rental to begin use while the application is pending.
- Allowed the Division of Hotels and Restaurants to fine, suspend or revoke the license of any vacation rental when the advertisement for the vacation rental does not display the vacation rental license number.
- Regulated multiple unit vacation rentals. When five or more vacation rentals in multifamily dwellings are under common ownership and are rented out more than 180 days per year, such rental is subject to additional requirements, including biannual inspections.
- Defined a vacation rental as any unit in a condominium or cooperative or any individually or collectively owned single-family, two-family, three-family, or four-family house or dwelling unit that is rented to guests for periods of less than 30 days but that is not a timeshare project.
- Required the division to make the vacation rental license information available to the public, and allows local governments to use this license information for informational purposes only.
- Grandfathered local ordinances adopted on or before June 1, 2011 and allows "grandfathered" cities to amend as long as they are less restrictive.
- Set maximum occupancy limits for vacation rentals

CS/CS/SB 1400 died in committee.



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Vacation Rentals Cont.

HB 773 (La Rosa) would have prohibited cities from establishing ordinances specific to short-term vacation rentals. Instead, the law would have required that all residential properties be treated the same, regardless of whether the property is being used as a rental or not. The bill would have allowed cities with vacation rental ordinances in place prior to June 1, 2011, to amend their ordinance, as long as the amendment made the regulation of vacation rentals less restrictive. HB 773 was amended during the committee process to include language requiring vacation rental owners to notify property owners within 1,000 feet of the vacation rental 24 hours prior to the arrival of a sex offender or predator who would be staying in the property. Another amendment adopted by the committee required public lodging establishments to inquire at the time of check in, if a guest is on any sexual predator list.

HB 773 died on second reading.



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Public Records – Declaratory Action

SB 750 (Perry) would have prohibited cities from requesting clarification from the courts on certain public record requests.

The bill was voted down in the Senate Judiciary Committee.



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Public Meetings/Imminent Litigation

SB 560 (Steube) would have expanded an exemption from the public meeting laws to authorize a private meeting for the purpose of discussing imminent legislation.

The bill, supported in committee by the League, died on the Senate floor. The House companion, CS/HB 439 (Donalds), died in committee.



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Towing

SB 1632 (Mayfield) and **HB 963** (Cortes) would have prohibited franchise agreements between tow truck companies and cities if the agreement required any payment by the tow truck company to the city.

HB 963 was passed by the full House and SB 1632 died in committee.



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Smoking in Public Parks

CS/SB 562 (Mayfield) and **HB 627** (Altman) would have allowed cities to prohibit smoking in municipal parks.

CS/SB 562 was passed by the full Senate and **HB 627** died in committee.



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Economic Development

CS/SB 1714 (Perry) would have established reporting and accountability requirements for economic development and tourism-promotion agencies.

CS/SB 1714 died in committee.



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Transportation and Intergovernmental Relations Failed Legislation



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State Housing Trust Fund

SB 874 (Passidomo) and **HB 191** (Shaw) would have prevented the Florida Legislature from sweeping the State Housing Trust Fund and the Local Government Trust Fund.

Both bills died in committee.



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Affordable Housing

CS/SB 1328 (Perry) and **CS/CS/CS/HB 987** (Cortes, B.)

- As originally filed, would have preempted local governments from charging impact or mobility fees for a five-year period.
- As amended, the bill removed the preemption.
- Required local governments to report detailed data relating to impact fees related to affordable housing developments when they submit their annual financial reports (AFR).

Both bills died in committee.



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Dockless Bicycles

CS/SB 1304 (Young) and **CS/CS/HB 1033** (Toledo)

- Preempted local government regulation of dockless bicycles and bicycle-sharing companies.
- As amended, the bill required all dockless bicycles and bicycle-sharing companies to comply with all local laws and regulations.

Both bills died in committee.



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Red Light Cameras

HB 6001 (Avila), **SB 176** (Hutson) and **SB 548** (Campbell) prohibited the use of red light cameras by local governments and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

HB 6001 was passed by the full house, both Senate bills died in committee.



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Florida Building Commission

HB 299 (McClain)

- Revised the membership of the Florida Building Commission from 27 members to 11
- Eliminated the joint Florida League of Cities'/Florida Association of Counties' seat on the Commission

HB 299 died in committee.



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CRC Update



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Constitution Revision Commission

- The Constitution Revision Commission (CRC) convenes once every 20 years to examine the Florida Constitution and propose changes for voter consideration. The 2017-2018 Constitution Revision Commission (CRC) is the third of its kind in Florida history.
- CRC began its work in March of 2017. 103 Proposals were filed by CRC Commissioners.
- Commissioners voted to commit 25 proposals to the CRC's Style & Drafting Committee. The Style & Drafting Committee has several responsibilities which include clarifying, codifying, grouping the proposals, and the drafting of ballot title summaries.
- The full Commission will reconvene for its final floor session in April (dates to be determined) to vote on the proposals returned from the Style & Drafting Committee. All proposals must secure at least 22 votes to be placed on the 2018 General Election Ballot by the CRC.



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Constitution Revision Commission Cont.

- For the most current information regarding the CRC, including summaries of CRC proposals that have the potential to impact municipal governments please visit <http://www.floridaleagueofcities.com/resources/constitution-revision-commission>



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What's Next?



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Important Dates

FAST Fly-In

- May 16-17, 2018

FLC Annual Conference

- August 15-18, 2018

FLC Legislative Policy Committee Meetings

- Registration for 2018-2019 begins June 1, 2018
- September 14, 2018
- October 12, 2018

FLC Legislative Conference

- November 15-16, 2018



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It's an Election Year!

- **Relationships, relationships, relationships!**

- 120 House races
- 20 Senate races

- **Your endorsement matters**

- Candidate Forums, Campaigning, Fundraising
- Be deliberate with your endorsements

- **Important Dates**

- Qualifying Deadline: June 22, 2018 (at noon)
- Primary Election: August 28, 2018
- General Election: November 6, 2018



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Post-Session Advocacy Tips

- Have candid conversations with legislators to discuss how they voted
- Invite legislators to speak at council meetings and local/regional league events
- Speak at local civic/citizens' groups to discuss municipal issues considered this session
- Publicly thank legislators who helped your city



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