## What is HOME RULE?

Local voices making local choices for their communities



We have 411 cities, towns and villages in the State of Florida. All are different, with their own unique needs. Some are retirement communities, others are more family-centered. Some are urban, others are rural. Some are coastal, others are inland. The services they need differ.

Some of the common services include:











PARKS & RECREATION

CLEAN WATER

WASTE/RECYCLING

ROAD

## HOME RULE IS IMPORTANT

It allows you and your local officials the ability to decide which services you want and the ability to solve your problems and develop solutions locally.

However, some state lawmakers feel they know what's better for your community than you do.

Why are legislators in Tallahassee trying to pass laws that affect how cities hundreds of miles away manage local issues? Because they are listening to big corporations that are making money off those decisions. They are not listening to you and your local officials who are being hurt by those decisions.

# 100+ BILLS

Past 3 years – Legislators filed more than 100 bills to try to strip away the authority of the local officials you elected.

## Threats to Home Rule

#### **SPECIAL INTERESTS**

Some legislators are doing the bidding of big corporations, and tying the hands of local officials to provide the effective solutions we need

#### **UNFUNDED MANDATES**

Passing policies with no means for our local governments to fund them, placing the financial burden on us

### Attacks on Home Rule

#### SHORT-TERM RENTALS

Allowing unruly, sometimes dangerous, mini-hotels to operate in our neighborhoods

## HOME-BASED BUSINESSES

Allowing any type of business to set up shop in the middle of our neighborhoods

Join us in telling state lawmakers to stick to state issues and leave local issues to us. We know what's best for our communities. We need to allow local voices to make local choices.

STAND UP and support Home Rule!