



*The Champion for Business* award symbolizes our gratitude for extraordinary efforts by legislators on behalf of the business community.

Throughout the 2019 Session, these legislators provided outstanding support on critical issues to AIF and our members.

**V**otes provide tangible evidence of whether a legislator supports the ability of Florida companies to prosper and operate free of overly burdensome state regulation and taxation. It is a valuable tool used by AIF and the business community to determine which legislators deserve our support. Yet voting records only tell part of the story.

A *Champion for Business* is a legislator who takes a stand for his or her belief in the free-enterprise system, who defies the status quo when it is harmful to our state's competitive climate, and who faces down opponents to the growing prosperity of Florida's citizens.

The *Champion for Business* is evidence that, in our efforts to let our members and their legislators know who has supported business and who hasn't, we leave no stone unturned.

*Visit [AIF.com](http://AIF.com) for a complete list of past AIF Champion for Business winners.*

*In our collective wisdom, these eight legislators are the epitome of what a Champion for Business should be.*



*Whether they proposed an important bill, authored a key amendment, or toiled behind the scenes, these legislators are the ones who made a difference this session.*



**Sen. Doug Broxson** is receiving his first AIF *Champion for Business Award*. Associated Industries of Florida applauds Sen. Broxson for his committed work to legislate reform of Assignment of Benefits (AOB). His steadfast drive to curb AOB abuse will keep insurance rates low for individuals residing and doing business in Florida.



**Rep. Jamie Grant** is receiving his second AIF *Champion for Business Award*. Associated Industries of Florida applauds Rep. Grant for fighting to make it harder to amend the Florida Constitution. His committed work ensures the Constitution will empower the representative government to achieve its purpose.



**Sen. Joe Gruters** is receiving his second AIF *Champion for Business Award*. Associated Industries of Florida applauds Sen. Gruters for his efforts to fight against various pieces of legislation that would have been harmful to Florida's employers. Sen. Gruters' dedication to Florida's business community has positively affected the state's economic climate.



**Rep. Tom Leek** is receiving his first AIF *Champion for Business Award*. Associated Industries of Florida applauds Rep. Leek for his work and diligent effort to pass reforms to the Dangerous Instrumentality Doctrine. His dedication to eradicate unfair vicarious liability will have a positive impact on our state's employment growth and the business community.



**Sen. Kelli Stargel** is receiving her second AIF *Champion for Business Award*. Associated Industries of Florida applauds Sen. Stargel for her diligent work to reform the Dangerous Instrumentality Doctrine, as well as leading efforts to pass the tax package and reform the corporate income tax. Her committed work in advocating for tax relief proved Sen. Stargel to be a driving force behind the reduction of taxes imposed on Florida's businesses.



**Rep. Paul Renner** is receiving his first AIF *Champion for Business Award*. Associated Industries of Florida applauds Rep. Renner for fighting to make it harder to amend the Florida Constitution. His diligent work ensures the Constitution will empower the representative government to achieve its purpose.



**Rep. Bryan Avila** is receiving his first AIF *Champion for Business Award*. Associated Industries of Florida applauds Rep. Avila for his sponsorship of the tax package and reform of the corporate income tax. Rep. Avila tirelessly shepherded this legislation to bring tax relief to Floridians and Florida businesses alike.



**Rep. Bob Rommel** is receiving his first AIF *Champion for Business Award*. Associated Industries of Florida applauds Rep. Rommel for his committed work to legislate reform of Assignment of Benefits (AOB). His unwavering determination to end AOB abuse will keep insurance rates low for those residing and doing business in Florida.



# 100% Vote for Business

We applaud  
these 11  
legislators  
who have  
helped  
make  
Florida the  
best place  
to do  
business.

Associated Industries of Florida (AIF) and our members are proud to recognize the **members of the Florida Legislature who have achieved a 100% AIF voting record** for the 2019 Session. This represents a commitment to sound policy that supports Florida's employers and job creators. Not only does this score encompass votes to pass legislation beneficial to businesses, it includes votes to defeat policies that would have a detrimental impact on businesses and their employees.



Sen. Lizbeth Benacquisto  
(R-Ft. Myers)



Sen. Doug Broxson  
(R-Pensacola)



Sen. Bill Galvano  
(R-Bradenton)



Sen. Travis Hutson  
(R-Palm Coast)



Sen. Kathleen Passidomo  
(R-Naples)



Sen. David Simmons  
(R-Longwood)



Sen. Wilton Simpson  
(R-Spring Hill)



Sen. Kelli Stargel  
(R-Lakeland)



Rep. Chuck Clemons  
(R-Jonesville)



Rep. Heather Fitzenhagen  
(R-Ft. Myers)



Rep. Jay Trumbull  
(R-Panama City)

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With this unique software created by AIF you can choose to see votes by year, legislator's name, issue and party affiliation. You can go even further and see the exact votes that led to the percentage they received. Full transparency.

How robust is this program? It includes over 200,000 votes, more than 2,000 bills, and over 800 legislators over the span of 40 plus years — a one-of-a-kind tool available at **[AIF.com/VotingRecords](http://AIF.com/VotingRecords)**.