



# VOTING RECORDS

2025 Regular Session of the Florida Legislature

2025  
**CHAMPIONS**  
for **BUSINESS**  
Award Winners  
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**ASSOCIATED INDUSTRIES OF FLORIDA**

*The Voice of Florida Business Since 1920*





# a message from the CEO



Brewster B. Bevis  
President &  
Chief Executive  
Officer

## Dear Employer:

It is my pleasure to provide you with this tabulation of the voting conduct of each member of the Florida Legislature on key business issues during the 2025 Regular Session. The *Voting Records* report includes the votes cast by every legislator on bills advocated, promoted, or opposed by Associated Industries of Florida (AIF) on behalf of our members.

This year's report covers over 3,856 votes cast by legislators on 47 bills. This makes it the most exhaustive and complete record of the Legislature's approach to Florida employers' concerns.

We go to extensive lengths to ensure that legislators know AIF's position on issues of significant importance to the business community. Every year before the session begins, we publish AIF's *Session Priorities*, which explains why we support or oppose key issues. In addition, during the session we provide legislators with a *Weekly Brief* on the activities of that week, detailing the bills of interest to businesses and our position on those issues. Our greatest asset, however, is our experienced and accomplished advocacy team, who communicate with legislators regularly throughout the session.

For 51 years, AIF has published *Voting Records*, and while it is a valuable tool, these records only tell part of the story. AIF also helps its member companies track which bills and amendments are filed and by whom, and who is taking part in behind-the-scenes efforts and debates on behalf of the business community. These intangible forms of support through non-voting actions are also of vital importance and merit recognition. Therefore, AIF instituted the *Champion for Business* award in 2003 to acknowledge lawmakers who provide leadership on key legislation.

A Champion for Business is a legislator who takes risks 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 faces opponents to Florida's growing prosperity. Governor DeSantis and each of the eight legislators (see page 24) honored this year are the epitome of a "Champion for Business," and we appreciate their steadfast support this session.



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# Recognizing Top-Tier Issues

Highlighting top-priority issues helps provide context for *Voting Records*.

Since 1975, AIF has published *Voting Records* — the definitive legislative scorecard for the business community. From a mathematical perspective, all votes cast are equal. The *Voting Records* compares the votes cast in support of business to the total number of votes cast on those bills. The calculated percentages are a simple and easy tool used by both AIF members and legislators. Yet, a simple voting percentage does not always provide a complete picture of a legislator's support of the business community.



## TORT REFORM ROLLBACKS

From time to time, a critical issue is taken up during the legislative session that would significantly affect most Florida businesses regardless of industry, size, location, etc. Issues such as workers' compensation, across the board business taxes and broad regulatory schemes are always top priorities for AIF.

This year, AIF identified **tort reform rollbacks** as the **top-tier issue for the 2025 Legislative Session**. We communicated the importance of this top-tier issue and the negative impact it would have on the business community to Florida legislators and our members in our daily and weekly briefings and through public testimony. We highlighted each legislator's vote on this top-priority issue (page 4) because

of the level of importance that the tort reform rollback would have on the entirety of the business community. Highlighting how each legislator voted on this issue will provide further context for our overall voting records.

We have immense respect for the dedication of elected officials who come to Tallahassee each year to serve the citizens of their districts and the state, and we applaud those legislators who consistently vote in support of Florida's employers.

AIF will continue to evaluate the effectiveness of each legislator through their overall voting percentage, their votes on specific top-priority issues, as well as how they publicly address

issues that are important to the business community. Each of these factors is considered when AIF makes recommendations to our members as to which legislators truly show strong support for Florida's business community. ■



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**The AIF Voting Records is a critical tool for companies to determine which legislators are truly supportive of the business community.**

— BILLIEANNE GAY, DIRECTOR, STATE GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS  
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# 2025 Session Top-Tier Issue: Tort Reform Rollbacks



**Tort reform rollbacks were the top priority for AIF and its members during the 2025 session** due to its far-reaching impact on all sectors of the state's business community. Ten bills dealing with the tort reform issues identified for the level of the effect each would have on Florida's employers.

The following are votes taken on **SB 1520** and **HB 947**;  
**SB 426** and **HB 1551**; **SB 734** and **HB 6017**; **SB 1840** and **HB 1437**;  
**SB 1526** and **HB 1181**; **SB 832** final House vote and how each legislator voted when compared to AIF's position.

- = Did not vote.

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## FLORIDA SENATE

% with AIF	Legislator	For	Against
50%	Albritton (R)	1	1
0%	Arrington (D)	0	2
33%	Avila (R)	1	2
0%	Berman (D)	0	5
0%	Bernard (D)	0	2
33%	Boyd (R)	1	2
0%	Bradley (R)	0	3
0%	Brodeur (R)	0	4
0%	Burgess (R)	0	3
40%	Burton (R)	2	3
50%	Calatayud (R)	1	1
50%	Collins (R)	1	1
0%	Davis (D)	0	4
25%	DiCeglie (R)	1	3
-	Fine (R) *	-	-
25%	Gaetz (R)	1	3
0%	Garcia (R)	0	4
0%	Grall (R)	0	2
0%	Gruters (R)	0	4
100%	Harrell (R)	4	0
0%	Hooper (R)	0	4
33%	Ingoglia (R)	1	2
0%	Jones (D)	0	3
100%	Leek (R)	3	0
-	Mayfield (R) *	-	-
0%	Martin (R)	0	3
100%	McClain (R)	2	0
0%	Osgood (D)	0	4
50%	Passidomo (R)	2	2
0%	Pizzo (NPA)	0	3
0%	Polsky (D)	0	3
25%	Rodriguez (R)	1	3
0%	Rouson (D)	0	4
0%	Sharief (D)	0	1
33%	Simon (R)	1	2
0%	Smith (D)	0	2
100%	Truenow (R)	2	0
0%	Trumbull (R)	0	4
0%	Wright (R)	0	3
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# FLORIDA HOUSE

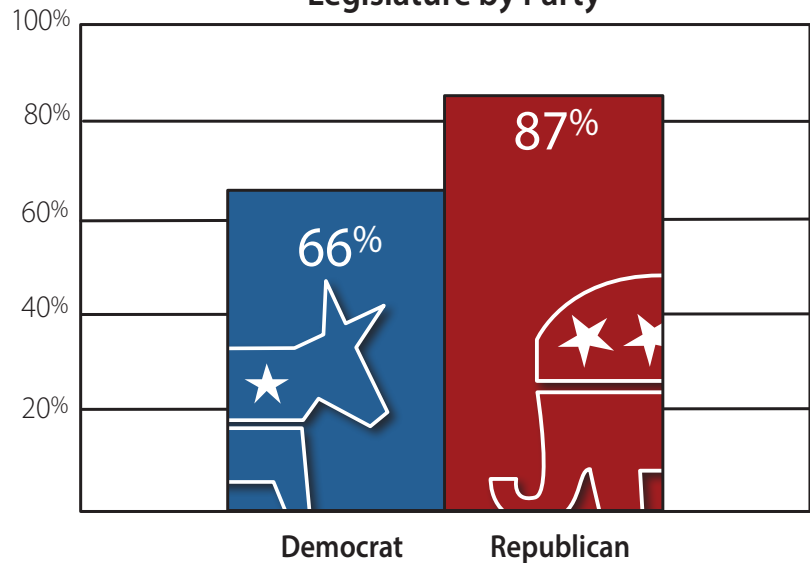
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0%	Albert (R)	0	10	0%	Edmonds (D)	0	1	0%	Nix (R)	0	7
0%	Alvarez, D (R)	0	6	0%	Eskamani (D)	0	2	0%	Nixon (D)	0	1
100%	Alvarez, J. (D)	1	0	0%	Esposito (R)	0	2	0%	Oliver (R)	0	7
0%	Anderson (R)	0	6	100%	Fabricio (R)	5	0	100%	Overdorf (R)	2	0
0%	Andrade (R)	0	2	0%	Franklin (D)	0	1	0%	Owen (R)	0	10
13%	Antone (D)	1	7	0%	Gantt (D)	0	3	0%	Partington (R)	0	2
0%	Aristide (D)	0	1	0%	Garrison (R)	0	2	0%	Perez (R)	0	2
0%	Baker (R)	0	5	0%	Gentry (R)	0	2	0%	Persons-Mulicka (R)	0	2
50%	Bankson (R)	1	1	50%	Gerwig (R)	1	1	60%	Plakon (R)	3	2
0%	Barnaby (R)	0	5	0%	Giallombardo (R)	0	2	17%	Plasencia (R)	1	5
0%	Bartleman (D)	0	2	25%	Gonzalez Pittman (R)	1	3	0%	Porras (R)	0	3
0%	Basabe (R)	0	2	0%	Gossett-Seidman (R)	0	2	0%	Rayner (D)	0	7
0%	Benarroch (R)	0	2	0%	Gottlieb (D)	0	9	0%	Redondo (R)	0	2
17%	Berfield (R)	1	5	0%	Greco (R)	0	1	100%	Rizo (R)	1	0
0%	Black (R)	0	1	0%	Griffitts (R)	0	2	0%	Robinson, F. (D)	0	2
0%	Blanco (R)	0	7	50%	Grow (R)	1	1	50%	Robinson, W. (R)	1	1
0%	Booth (R)	0	4	0%	Harris (D)	0	2	0%	Rosenwald (D)	0	2
10%	Borrero (R)	1	9	25%	Hart (D)	1	3	0%	Salzman (R)	0	5
0%	Botana (R)	0	4	0%	Hinson (D)	0	3	0%	Sapp (R)	0	1
-	Boyles (R) *	-	-	-	Hodgers (R) *	-	-	0%	Shoaf (R)	0	2
0%	Brackett (R)	0	2	0%	Holcomb (R)	0	1	0%	Sirois (R)	0	2
0%	Bracy Davis (D)	0	4	0%	Hunschofsky (D)	0	2	0%	Skidmore (D)	0	2
0%	Brannan (R)	0	5	0%	Jacques (R)	0	4	50%	Smith (R)	1	1
50%	Buchanan (R)	1	1	50%	Johnson (R)	1	1	0%	Snyder (R)	0	2
0%	Busatta (R)	0	2	0%	Joseph (D)	0	5	0%	Spencer (D)	0	1
0%	Campbell (D)	0	2	0%	Kendall (R)	0	7	0%	Stark (R)	0	6
0%	Canady (R)	0	2	0%	Kincart Jonsson (R)	0	4	33%	Steele (R)	1	2
75%	Caruso (R)	3	1	0%	Koster (R)	0	10	0%	Tant (D)	0	1
0%	Casello (D)	0	2	50%	LaMarca (R)	1	1	50%	Temple (R)	1	1
0%	Cassel (R)	0	7	0%	López, J. (D)	0	5	0%	Tendrich (D)	0	2
50%	Chamberlin (R)	1	1	0%	Lopez, V. (R)	0	6	0%	Tomkow (R)	0	2
0%	Chambliss (D)	0	6	0%	Maggard (R)	0	2	50%	Trabulsy (R)	1	1
50%	Chaney (R)	1	1	20%	Maney (R)	1	4	0%	Tramont (R)	0	1
0%	Cobb (R)	0	2	0%	Mayfield (R) *	0	2	0%	Tuck (R)	0	2
0%	Conerly (R)	0	2	0%	McClure (R)	0	2	0%	Valdés (R)	0	4
0%	Cross (D)	0	2	0%	McFarland (R)	0	2	0%	Weinberger (R)	0	7
0%	Daley (D)	0	5	50%	Melo (R)	1	1	0%	Woodson (D)	0	4
0%	Daniels (D)	0	6	0%	Michael (R)	0	1	0%	Yarkosky (R)	0	2
0%	Driskell (D)	0	2	0%	Miller (R)	0	4	0%	Yeager (R)	0	4
50%	Duggan (R)	1	1								



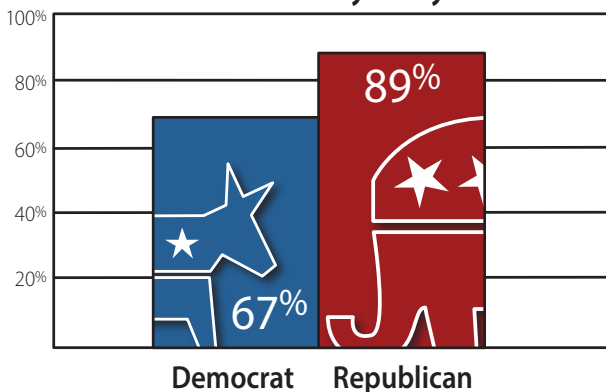
# 2025 Florida Legislature *by the Numbers on Key Business Issues*

**K**nowing how individual legislators cast their votes is extremely important when evaluating their stance on the issues facing our members. However, it is also important to look at other areas of the data to find clues on how different segments of the Florida Legislature are casting their votes. For instance, which party in which chamber tends to support business issues more than the other? How do the current voting records compare to those from past years? This section will break down different segments of the votes and provide some interesting **snapshots of the Florida Legislature's direction on business issues.**

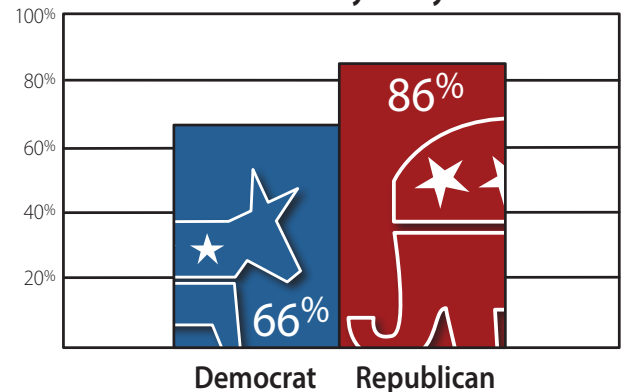
### Legislature by Party



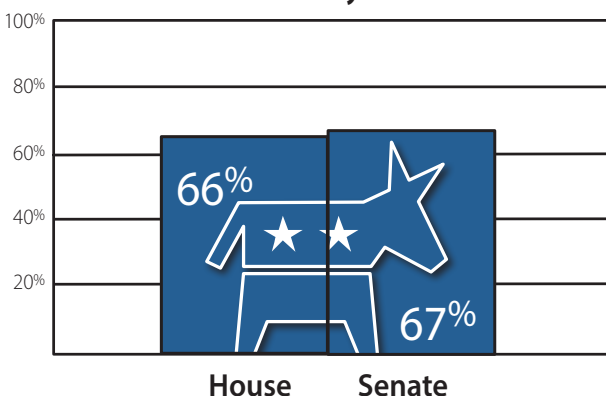
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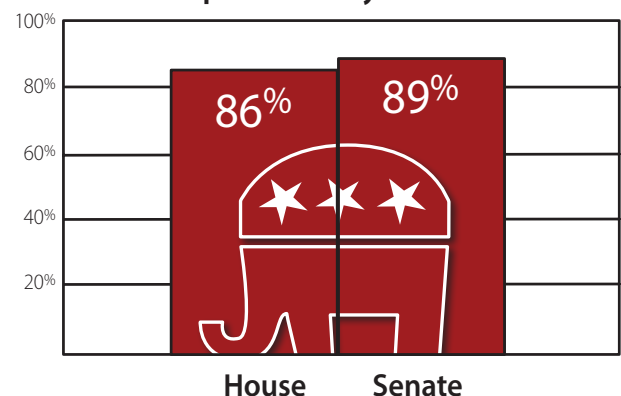
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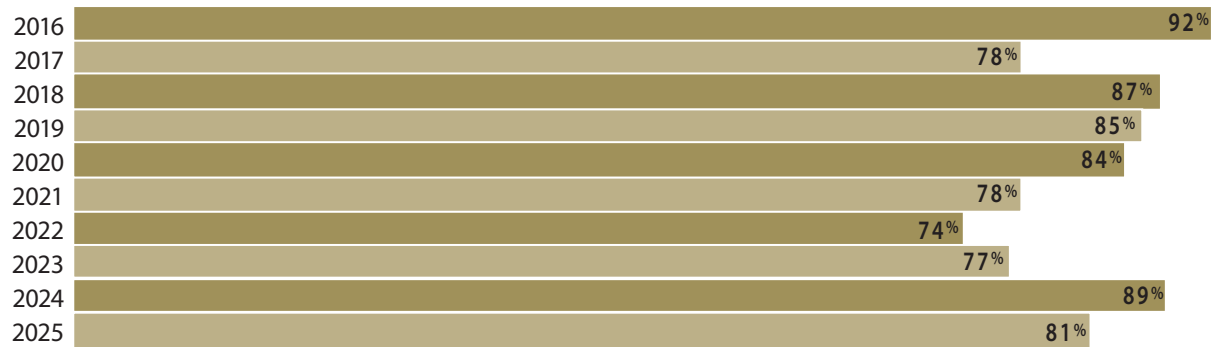


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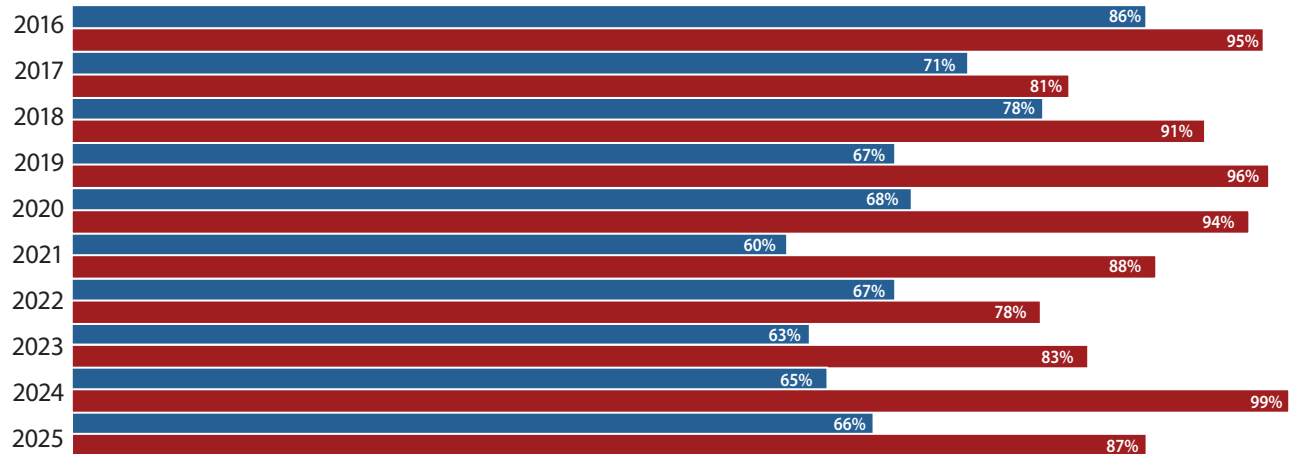


## Legislature Voting Records — Past Ten Years



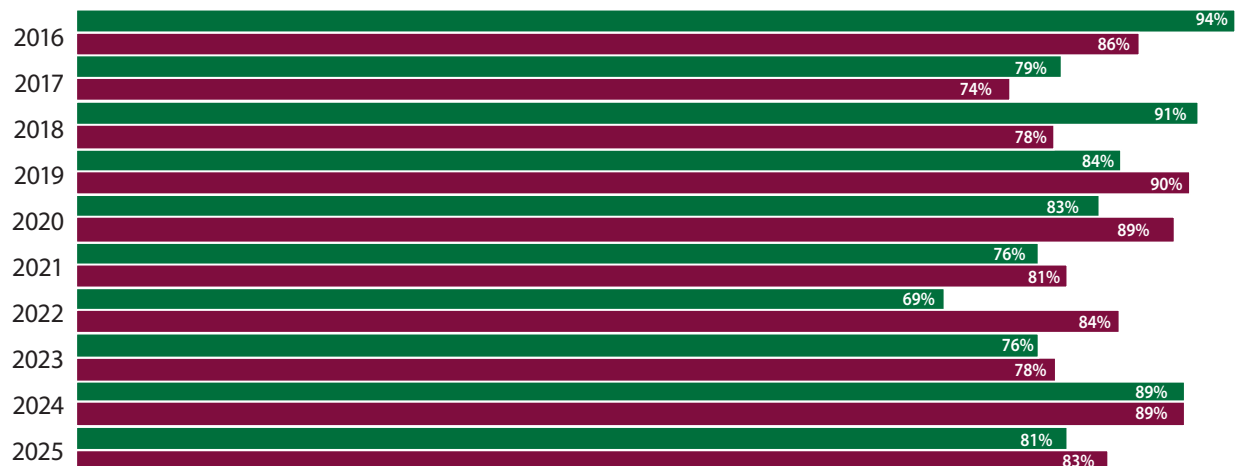
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## BY RANK

### FLORIDA SENATE

% w/AIF	Name/Party	For	Against
100%	Fine (R) *	2	0
100%	Harrell (R)	30	0
100%	Mayfield (R) *	1	0
96%	Calatayud (R)	26	1
95%	Albritton (R)	19	1
95%	Collins (R)	21	1
94%	Passidomo (R)	33	2
94%	Simon (R)	34	2
93%	Ingoglia (R)	38	3
93%	Yarborough (R)	28	2
91%	Avila (R)	30	3
91%	Gaetz (R)	30	3
91%	Leek (R)	32	3
91%	McClain (R)	31	3
91%	Truenow (R)	30	3
90%	Burgess (R)	27	3
89%	Boyd (R)	33	4
89%	Martin (R)	32	4
88%	Brodeur (R)	29	4
88%	Burton (R)	36	5
88%	Trumbull (R)	28	4
87%	Grall (R)	20	3
87%	Hooper (R)	27	4
86%	DiCeglie (R)	38	6
86%	Gruters (R)	36	6
84%	Bradley (R)	32	6
84%	Wright (R)	32	6
82%	Pizzo (NPA)	31	7
82%	Rodriguez (R)	31	7
78%	Sharief (D)	18	5
75%	Garcia (R)	24	8
74%	Bernard (D)	26	9
72%	Jones (D)	18	7
71%	Arrington (D)	27	11
70%	Rouson (D)	23	10
68%	Polsky (D)	19	9
65%	Davis (D)	24	13
61%	Berman (D)	22	14
58%	Osgood (D)	21	15
50%	Smith (D)	16	16

**Total Votes with AIF/Business = 83%**



## BY RANK

### FLORIDA HOUSE

% w/AIF	Name/Party	For	Against	% w/AIF	Name/Party	For	Against	% w/AIF	Name/Party	For	Against
100%	Alvarez, J. (D)	15	0	90%	Yarkosky (R)	19	2	77%	Alvarez, D. (R)	20	6
100%	Boyles (R) *	1	0	89%	Andrade (R)	16	2	77%	Casello (D)	17	5
100%	Fabricio (R)	26	0	89%	Brackett (R)	16	2	75%	Rosenwald (D)	12	4
100%	Hodgers (R) *	1	0	89%	Cobb (R)	17	2	74%	Anderson (R)	17	6
100%	Overdorf (R)	16	0	89%	Holcomb (R)	8	1	74%	Blanco (R)	20	7
100%	Rizo (R)	17	0	89%	McFarland (R)	16	2	73%	Cassel (R)	19	7
96%	Buchanan (R)	23	1	89%	Smith (R)	25	3	73%	Daniels (D)	19	7
96%	Duggan (R)	25	1	89%	Snyder (R)	17	2	73%	Spencer (D)	19	7
96%	LaMarca (R)	25	1	89%	Tuck (R)	17	2	73%	Tant (D)	11	4
96%	Mooney (R)	23	1	88%	Busatta (R)	14	2	73%	Weinberger (R)	19	7
96%	Tramont (R)	27	1	88%	Canady (R)	14	2	72%	López, J. (D)	18	7
95%	Grow (R)	18	1	88%	Garrison (R)	14	2	72%	Nix (R)	18	7
95%	Robinson, W. (R)	18	1	88%	McClure (R)	14	2	71%	Albert (R)	24	10
94%	Bankson (R)	17	1	88%	Perez (R)	14	2	71%	Hunschofsky (D)	20	8
94%	Black (R)	16	1	88%	Steele (R)	15	2	70%	Stark (R)	14	6
94%	Chamberlin (R)	17	1	88%	Tomkow (R)	14	2	69%	Driskell (D)	11	5
94%	Gerwig (R)	15	1	87%	Mayfield (R) *	13	2	68%	Kendall (R)	17	8
94%	Greco (R)	17	1	86%	Chaney (R)	18	3	68%	Koster (R)	21	10
94%	Johnson (R)	15	1	85%	Michael (R)	11	2	68%	Robinson, F. (D)	19	9
94%	Maggard (R)	29	2	85%	Yeager (R)	23	4	68%	Tendrich (D)	15	7
94%	Melo (R)	15	1	84%	Brannan (R)	26	5	67%	Owen (R)	20	10
94%	Sapp (R)	15	1	84%	Gonzalez Pittman (R)	16	3	65%	Chambliss (D)	20	11
94%	Trabulsy (R)	15	1	84%	Salzman (R)	26	5	65%	Skidmore (D)	15	8
93%	Abbott (R)	27	2	83%	Botana (R)	19	4	63%	Campbell (D)	10	6
93%	Benarroch (R)	26	2	83%	Franklin (D)	24	5	63%	Dunkley (D)	5	3
93%	Esposito (R)	25	2	82%	Edmonds (D)	14	3	62%	Cross (D)	16	10
93%	Giallombardo (R)	27	2	82%	Maney (R)	18	4	62%	Eskamani (D)	16	10
93%	Shoaf (R)	25	2	81%	Berfield (R)	22	5	60%	Daley (D)	12	8
92%	Gossett-Seidman (R)	24	2	80%	Aristide (D)	12	3	58%	Antone (D)	15	11
92%	Plakon (R)	22	2	80%	Jacques (R)	16	4	58%	Gantt (D)	11	8
92%	Temple (R)	11	1	79%	Baker (R)	19	5	58%	Plasencia (R)	7	5
91%	Conerly (R)	20	2	79%	Barnaby (R)	19	5	56%	Gottlieb (D)	18	14
91%	Gentry (R)	21	2	79%	Booth (R)	22	6	56%	Hinson (D)	10	8
91%	Griffitts (R)	21	2	79%	Lopez, V. (R)	22	6	56%	Rayner (D)	15	12
91%	Redondo (R)	20	2	79%	Miller (R)	15	4	56%	Woodson (D)	10	8
90%	Basabe (R)	18	2	79%	Oliver (R)	27	7	55%	Bracy Davis (D)	12	10
90%	Caruso (R)	19	2	79%	Valdés (R)	15	4	55%	Hart (D)	11	9
90%	Partington (R)	19	2	78%	Bartleman (D)	14	4	50%	Harris (D)	8	8
90%	Persons-Mulicka (R)	19	2	78%	Borrero (R)	31	9	48%	Joseph (D)	10	11
90%	Porras (R)	27	3	78%	Kincart Jonsson (R)	14	4	47%	Nixon(D)	8	9
90%	Sirois (R)	19	2								

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77%	Alvarez, D. (R)	20	6	62%	Eskamani (D)	16	10	47%	Nixon (D)	8	9
100%	Alvarez, J. (D)	15	0	93%	Esposito (R)	25	2	79%	Oliver (R)	27	7
74%	Anderson (R)	17	6	100%	Fabricio (R)	26	0	100%	Overdorf (R)	16	0
89%	Andrade (R)	16	2	83%	Franklin (D)	24	5	67%	Owen (R)	20	10
58%	Antone (D)	15	11	58%	Gantt (D)	11	8	90%	Partington (R)	19	2
80%	Aristide (D)	12	3	88%	Garrison (R)	14	2	88%	Perez (R)	14	2
79%	Baker (R)	19	5	91%	Gentry (R)	21	2	90%	Persons-Mulicka (R)	19	2
94%	Bankson (R)	17	1	94%	Gerwig (R)	15	1	92%	Plakon (R)	22	2
79%	Barnaby (R)	19	5	93%	Giallombardo (R)	27	2	58%	Plasencia (R)	7	5
78%	Bartleman (D)	14	4	84%	Gonzalez Pittman (R)	16	3	90%	Porras (R)	27	3
90%	Basabe (R)	18	2	92%	Gossett-Seidman (R)	24	2	56%	Rayner (D)	15	12
93%	Benarroch (R)	26	2	56%	Gottlieb (D)	18	14	91%	Redondo (R)	20	2
81%	Berfield (R)	22	5	94%	Greco (R)	17	1	100%	Rizo (R)	17	0
94%	Black (R)	16	1	91%	Griffitts (R)	21	2	68%	Robinson, F. (D)	19	9
74%	Blanco (R)	20	7	95%	Grow (R)	18	1	95%	Robinson, W. (R)	18	1
79%	Booth (R)	22	6	50%	Harris (D)	8	8	75%	Rosenwald (D)	12	4
78%	Borrero (R)	31	9	55%	Hart (D)	11	9	84%	Salzman (R)	26	5
83%	Botana (R)	19	4	56%	Hinson (D)	10	8	94%	Sapp (R)	15	1
100%	Boyles (R) *	1	0	100%	Hodgers (R) *	1	0	93%	Shoaf (R)	25	2
89%	Brackett (R)	16	2	89%	Holcomb (R)	8	1	90%	Sirois (R)	19	2
55%	Bracy Davis (D)	12	10	71%	Hunschofsky (D)	20	8	65%	Skidmore (D)	15	8
84%	Brannan (R)	26	5	80%	Jacques (R)	16	4	89%	Smith (R)	25	3
96%	Buchanan (R)	23	1	94%	Johnson (R)	15	1	89%	Snyder (R)	17	2
88%	Busatta (R)	14	2	48%	Joseph (D)	10	11	73%	Spencer (D)	19	7
63%	Campbell (D)	10	6	68%	Kendall (R)	17	8	70%	Stark (R)	14	6
88%	Canady (R)	14	2	78%	Kincart Jonsson (R)	14	4	88%	Steele (R)	15	2
90%	Caruso (R)	19	2	68%	Koster (R)	21	10	73%	Tant (D)	11	4
77%	Casello (D)	17	5	96%	LaMarca (R)	25	1	92%	Temple (R)	11	1
73%	Cassel (R)	19	7	72%	López, J. (D)	18	7	68%	Tendrich (D)	15	7
94%	Chamberlin (R)	17	1	79%	Lopez, V. (R)	22	6	88%	Tomkow (R)	14	2
65%	Chambliss (D)	20	11	94%	Maggard (R)	29	2	94%	Trabulsy (R)	15	1
86%	Chaney (R)	18	3	82%	Maney (R)	18	4	96%	Tramont (R)	27	1
89%	Cobb (R)	17	2	87%	Mayfield (R) *	13	2	89%	Tuck (R)	17	2
91%	Conerly(R)	20	2	88%	McClure (R)	14	2	79%	Valdés (R)	15	4
62%	Cross (D)	16	10	89%	McFarland (R)	16	2	73%	Weinberger (R)	19	7
60%	Daley (D)	12	8	94%	Melo (R)	15	1	56%	Woodson (D)	10	8
73%	Daniels (D)	19	7	85%	Michael (R)	11	2	90%	Yarkosky, (R)	19	2
69%	Driskell (D)	11	5	79%	Miller (R)	15	4	85%	Yeager (R)	23	4
96%	Duggan (R)	25	1								

Total Votes with AIF/Business = 81%

# Historical Florida Legislature VOTING RECORDS

*On Key Business Issues*



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**Note:** Includes votes after roll call as of June 30, 2025

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## FLORIDA SENATE

Name/Party	2025	History
Albritton (R)	95%	96%
Arrington (D)	71%	68%
Avila (R)	91%	89%
Berman (D)	61%	65%
Bernard (D)	74%	66%
Boyd (R)	89%	96%
Bradley (R)	84%	90%
Brodeur (R)	88%	95%
Burgess (R)	90%	89%
Burton (R)	88%	92%
Calatayud (R)	96%	92%
Collins (R)	95%	92%
Davis (D)	65%	67%
DiCeglie (R)	86%	88%
Fine (R)	100% *	89%
Gaetz (R)	91%	89%
Garcia (R)	75%	84%
Grall (R)	87%	78%
Gruters (R)	86%	89%
Harrell (R)	100%	95%
Hooper (R)	87%	94%
Ingoglia (R)	93%	90%
Jones (D)	72%	76%
Leek (R)	91%	92%
Martin (R)	89%	86%
Mayfield (R)	100% *	95%
McClain (R)	91%	90%
Osgood (D)	58%	62%
Passidomo (R)	94%	96%
Pizzo (NPA)	82%	78%
Polsky (D)	68%	65%
Rodriguez (R)	82%	90%
Rouson (D)	70%	69%
Sharief (D)	78%	78%
Simon (R)	94%	92%
Smith (D)	50%	59%
Truenow (R)	91%	86%
Trumbull (R)	88%	89%
Wright (R)	84%	92%
Yarborough (R)	93%	89%

# FLORIDA HOUSE

Name/Party	2025	History	Name/Party	2025	History	Name/Party	2025	History
Abbott (R)	93%	92%	Dunkley (D)	63%	61%	Mooney (R)	96%	85%
Albert (R)	71%	71%	Edmonds (D)	82%	72%	Nix (R)	72%	72%
Alvarez, D. (R)	77%	86%	Eskamani (D)	62%	50%	Nixon (D)	47%	54%
Alvarez, J. (D)	100%	100%	Esposito (R)	93%	92%	Oliver (R)	79%	79%
Anderson (R)	74%	82%	Fabricio (R)	100%	87%	Overdorf (R)	100%	90%
Andrade (R)	89%	91%	Franklin (D)	83%	74%	Owen (R)	67%	67%
Antone (D)	58%	65%	Gantt (D)	58%	44%	Partington (R)	90%	90%
Aristide (D)	80%	80%	Garrison (R)	88%	83%	Perez (R)	88%	90%
Baker (R)	79%	84%	Gentry (R)	91%	91%	Persons-Mulicka (R)	90%	86%
Bankson (R)	94%	92%	Gerwig (R)	94%	94%	Plakon (R)	92%	91%
Barnaby (R)	79%	83%	Giallombardo (R)	93%	87%	Plasencia (R)	58%	81%
Bartleman (D)	78%	64%	Gonzalez Pittman (R)	84%	88%	Porras (R)	90%	91%
Basabe (R)	90%	90%	Gossett-Seidman (R)	92%	89%	Rayner (D)	56%	56%
Benarroch (R)	93%	93%	Gottlieb (D)	56%	53%	Redondo (R)	91%	95%
Berfield (R)	81%	90%	Greco (R)	94%	94%	Rizo (R)	100%	87%
Black (R)	94%	94%	Griffitts (R)	91%	92%	Robinson, F. (D)	68%	63%
Blanco (R)	74%	74%	Grow (R)	95%	95%	Robinson, W. (R)	95%	91%
Booth (R)	79%	79%	Harris (D)	50%	54%	Rosenwald (D)	75%	75%
Borrero (R)	78%	81%	Hart (D)	55%	64%	Salzman (R)	84%	79%
Botana (R)	83%	84%	Hinson (D)	56%	59%	Sapp (R)	94%	94%
Boyles (R)	100% *	100%	Hodgers (R)	100% *	100%	Shoaf (R)	93%	90%
Brackett (R)	89%	92%	Holcomb (R)	89%	88%	Sirois (R)	90%	88%
Bracy Davis (D)	55%	60%	Hunschofsky (D)	71%	67%	Skidmore (D)	65%	70%
Brannan (R)	84%	89%	Jacques (R)	80%	79%	Smith (R)	89%	90%
Buchanan (R)	96%	90%	Johnson (R)	94%	94%	Snyder (R)	89%	83%
Busatta (R)	88%	82%	Joseph (D)	48%	55%	Spencer (D)	73%	73%
Campbell (D)	63%	58%	Kendall (R)	68%	68%	Stark (R)	70%	79%
Canady (R)	88%	91%	Kincart Jonsson (R)	78%	78%	Steele (R)	88%	88%
Caruso (R)	90%	90%	Koster (R)	68%	78%	Tant (D)	73%	73%
Casello (D)	77%	66%	LaMarca (R)	96%	92%	Temple (R)	92%	91%
Cassel (R)	73%	68%	López, J. (D)	72%	60%	Tendrich (D)	68%	68%
Chamberlin (R)	94%	97%	Lopez, V. (R)	79%	83%	Tomkow (R)	88%	89%
Chambliss (D)	65%	69%	Maggard (R)	94%	88%	Trabulsy (R)	94%	87%
Chaney (R)	86%	82%	Maney (R)	82%	82%	Tramont (R)	96%	89%
Cobb (R)	89%	89%	Mayfield (R)	87% *	95%	Tuck (R)	89%	86%
Conerly (R)	91%	91%	McClure (R)	88%	92%	Valdés (R)	79%	59%
Cross (D)	62%	61%	McFarland (R)	89%	87%	Weinberger (R)	73%	73%
Daley (D)	60%	71%	Melo (R)	94%	81%	Woodson (D)	56%	61%
Daniels (D)	73%	77%	Michael (R)	85%	88%	Yarkosky (R)	90%	91%
Driskell (D)	69%	64%	Miller (R)	79%	79%	Yeager (R)	85%	86%
Duggan, Wyman (R)	96%	90%						





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## Legal & Judicial

### **SB 1520 & HB 947**

**Evidence of Damages to Prove Medical Expenses in Personal Injury or Wrongful Death Actions** by Rep. Omar Blanco (R-Miami) and Sen. Erin Grall (R-Vero Beach).

The bill was substituted for SB 832 by Sen. Danny Burgess (R-Zephyrhills), originally an AIF supported bill dealing with phosphate mined lands, which died in House messages.

This legislation would have repealed portions of the 2023 reforms that made claimant damages and past medical expenses transparent and fully available to a jury in civil trials relating to personal injury and wrongful death claims. Prior to the 2023 reforms, a common practice by plaintiff's attorneys was to inflate the total cost of damages by using a "letter of protection" that often multiplied damages upwards of 300 percent. These disputes produced a flurry of frivolous litigation and massive nuclear verdicts based on evidence that was dramatically inflated against the consistent market-price of medical procedures. HB 947 would have removed the ability for a jury to see the real cost of damages compared to other examples of similar medical expenses.

*HB 947 was substituted for SB 832 on the House Floor.*

**AIF opposes** legislation that would repeal provisions ensuring transparency in the calculation of damages in civil lawsuits and any other legislation that undoes previous reforms that have been driving down insurance costs. Such reforms would open the floodgates for frivolous litigation and nuclear verdicts, leading to higher prices of insurance for businesses operating in Florida. Florida should look for ways to encourage insurers to form or expand in this state, not turn companies away with inconsistent law changes that would negatively affect them.

### **SB 426 & HB 1551**

**Attorney Fee Awards in Insurance Actions** by Sen. Jonathan Martin (R-Fort Myers) and Rep. Hillary Cassel (R-Dania Beach).

The language was also amended onto HB 947/SB 832 during session.



AIF President and CEO, Brewster Bevis addresses participants of the 2025 Florida Business Forum on Artificial Intelligence.

This bill would have reinstated awards of attorney fees in many insurance actions, including property and auto. As the bill was written, trial attorneys would've had no risk in bringing claims against insurers because they would either get all their fees for winning even the smallest portion of the insurer's offer or voluntarily dismiss the case before an adverse judgment to avoid paying the insurer's fees. In the worst case, unscrupulous trial attorneys could have made unreasonable offers, lost, and left their clients to pay the insurer's fees. This legislation would have unwound a critical piece of the monumental 2022 and 2023 tort reform efforts.

*HB 1551 died in the House Judiciary Committee.*

**AIF opposes** legislation that aims to reverse previous legislative fixes addressing frivolous insurance litigation, which drives up costs. Florida should look for ways to encourage insurers to form or expand in this state, not turn companies away with inconsistent law changes that would negatively affect them.





New legislators are welcomed to Tallahassee during the 2025 AIF New Legislator Reception.

### **SB 734 & HB 6017**

**Recovery of Damages for Medical Negligence Resulting in Death** by Sen. Clay Yarborough (R-Jacksonville) and Rep. Dana Trabulsy (R-Fort Pierce).

This bill repealed sections of the existing wrongful death law pertaining to adult children and parents of adult children's recovery of damages stemming from claims of medical malpractice. The bill would have allowed for claims for non-economic damages, more commonly known as "pain and suffering," to be filed for larger sums.

During its stop on the Senate Floor, HB 6017 was close to being amended with price caps to limit the amount a jury could award for non-economic damages in malpractice cases. This wholistic approach to the issue would have allowed AIF to support the legislation but was unfortunately found unfavorable by a vote of 18-19.

*HB 6017 was passed by the Legislature and vetoed by the Governor.*

**AIF opposes** legislation that expands litigation to noneconomic damages for medical malpractice without caps on noneconomic damages, which will destabilize insurance markets and raise costs of malpractice premiums throughout the state.

### **SB 1840 & HB 1437**

**Attorney Fees and Costs for Motor Vehicle Personal Injury Protection Benefits** by Sen. Jonathan Martin (R-Fort Myers) and Rep. John Snyder (R-Stuart).

This bill would have reinstated provisions that allow one-way attorney's fees for personal injury protection (PIP) claims. This legislation would have allowed all plaintiffs who bring civil action against medical providers and insurers to obtain attorney fees and costs in addition to a settlement or verdict reached on the case. Florida is a "no-fault" state; therefore, PIP coverage is mandatory for all motorists.

*HB 1437 died in the House Insurance and Banking Subcommittee.*

**AIF opposes** legislation that tips the judicial scales in favor of plaintiff's attorneys, who would be able to file an enormous number of lawsuits with no risk of paying fees to the opposing party.

### **SB 1256 & HB 1181**

**Motor Vehicle Insurance** by Rep. Danny Alvarez (R-Fish Hawk) and Sen. Erin Grall (R-Vero Beach).

This bill would have repealed Florida's "no-fault" law, also known as personal injury protection (PIP), relating to motor vehicle insurance. The revisions outlined in the bill would have removed the requirement for motorists to have PIP coverage in Florida. Additionally, the bill provided for non-



economic damages in personal injury cases to be recovered.

Currently, PIP coverage is mandated at \$10,000 per person level. This bill would have mandated \$25,000 of bodily injury coverage. This legislation would have allowed more claims to be filed, regardless of the severity of the injuries disputed, leading to increased frivolous litigation and “sue to settle” schemes that increase premiums against consumers and businesses. These changes as written would have increased insurance costs for businesses and consumers, undoing a lot of the positive initiatives from the 2023 tort reform legislation.

*HB 1181 died in the House Judiciary Committee.*

**AIF opposes** PIP repeal until sufficient data is collected to show that the proposed replacement system will enhance competitiveness, ensure access to medical care, and promote consumer affordability.

### **SB 832 & HB 585**

**Former Phosphate Mining Lands** by Sen. Danny Burgess (R-Zephyrhills) and Rep. Jon Albert (R-Frostproof).

Phosphate mining is a critical industry in Florida and is essential to providing sufficient fertilizers and agrichemicals for agricultural operations around the globe. SB 832 would have added a new, narrow defense against causes of action that come from naturally occurring elements. These additional measures would have ensured that phosphate mining companies, which meet all of their environmental permitting duties, aren't held liable for elements that are already in the land.

The tort language from HB 947 and HB 1551 was added by the House which would have disrupted Florida's insurance market and raised insurance rates for all Floridians.

*SB 832 was substituted for HB 947, which died in House messages.*

AIF supported the initial legislation that would have simplified regulatory patchwork and provided protections against frivolous litigation, allowing businesses to buy, sell, and develop land without the threat of unnecessary lawsuits while adhering to environmental regulations. Unfortunately, when the bill was amended to add tort rollbacks, AIF was forced to **oppose** the bill.

### **SB 1576 & HB 1183**

**Cybersecurity Incident Liability** by Sen. Nick DiCeglie (R-Indian Rocks Beach) and Rep. Mike Giallombardo (R-Cape Coral).

The bill aimed to provide civil liability protection to entities that comply with specified cybersecurity requirements following a cybersecurity incident. This legislation is part of an ongoing effort to address the increasing reliance on data and software by businesses of all sizes and the rise in frivolous litigation following cyberattacks. By setting standards for businesses to follow, the bill seeks to protect them from such litigation in the event of a breach.

Additionally, it created a framework for companies using consumer data to enhance data protection against cyberattacks.

*HB 1183 died in the House State Affairs Committee.*

**AIF supports** legislation that creates a clear and consistent framework for businesses to follow in order to safeguard consumer privacy and to reduce the risk of frivolous litigation. These measures would create a fair playing field and encourage more businesses to invest in Florida without the fear of unnecessary lawsuits.

### **SB 1198 & HB 1007**

**Fraudulent Use of Gift Cards** by Sen. Nick DiCeglie (R-Indian Rocks Beach) and Rep. Sam Greco (R-St. Augustine).

This bill establishes stricter criminal penalties for those who illegally obtain, tamper with, or misuse gift cards sold by a business. There is a rising rate in the illegal use of gift cards in retail and online businesses that is costing Florida businesses millions. The penalties for fraudulently using gift cards would be a misdemeanor for all offenses under \$750 in damages and a felony for offenses above \$750 in damages.

*SB 1198 was signed into law by the Governor on June 16 and will go into effect on October 1, 2025.*

**AIF supports** legislation that deters criminal acts against Florida businesses by establishing stricter penalties.

### **SB 1000 & HB 325**

**Court-Ordered Sealing of Criminal History Records**

by Sen. Corey Simon (R-Tallahassee) and Rep. Traci Koster (R-Tampa).

This bill would have expanded Florida's access to court-ordered sealing for individuals with a criminal record. The bills would have reworked the existing laws for record sealing in a way that permits those with non-serious offenses greater opportunities to have a record officially sealed.

*SB 1000 died in the Senate Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice.*

**AIF supports** legislative efforts to increase a non-serious offender's access to record-sealing abilities. Florida, like many other states, continues to face issues with labor shortages. These initiatives would help more people enter the workforce and alleviate ongoing labor issues for businesses throughout the state.

### **SB 992 & HB 129**

**Products Liability Actions Under the Florida Pesticide Law** by Sen. Jay Collins (R-Tampa) and Rep. JJ Grow (R-Inverness).

This bill would have removed several civil liability risks against businesses that use or distribute products containing certain pesticides or agrichemicals if the business did not directly oversee the development, design, or manufacturing of the product. Another provision of this bill prevented civil



Attendees gather with Representative Chad Johnson (R-Chiefland) at the 2025 AIF New Legislator Reception.

liability if a product label is tested and approved by the Environmental Protection Agency and used appropriately.

*HB 129 died in the House Housing, Agriculture and Tourism Subcommittee.*

**AIF supports** legislation that reduces civil liability claims against businesses that buy and distribute products in accordance with EPA regulations and guidelines. This legislation would have protected businesses from frivolous lawsuits while following environmental regulations.

## Business Regulation

### **SB 560 & HB 595**

**Chemical Additives in Food Products** by Sen. Jonathan Martin (R-Fort Myers) and Rep. Lindsay Cross (D-St. Petersburg).

This bill would have banned certain chemical additives used as dyes, flavor enhancements, and other modifications in the food-making process. The list of banned additives included Potassium Bromate, Propylparaben, Red Dye 3, Blue Dye 1, Yellow Dye 5, Benzene, Butylated Hydroxyanisole, etc. The bill established fines for products sold in Florida that include the additives.

*SB 560 died in the Senate Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government.*

**AIF opposes** legislation that adds regulatory penalties to businesses that supersede existing regulations in the use of additives that are federally approved.

 Supported by AIF  Opposed by AIF

### **SB 1132 & HB 235**

#### **Consumers' Right to Repair Certain Equipment**

by Sen. Keith Truenow (R-Tavares) and Rep. Michele Rayner (D-St. Petersburg).

This bill would have established new guidelines to enforce the digital right to repair for products that are mass-produced and often require servicing to perform optimally. The bill would have required manufacturers to provide a list of parts and tools used for the repair of devices to dealers and servicing providers. Good examples of such products are smartphones, computers, agricultural equipment, and automobiles.

*SB 1132 died on the Senate Floor.*

**AIF opposes** legislation that would allow intellectual property that is developed and owned by manufacturers to be readily available for distribution by entities that are not associated with the manufacturer. These reforms could result in higher repair costs for products ranging from smartphones to heavy machinery.

### **SB 764 & HB 641**

**Food Additives** by Sen. Tom Wright (R-New Smyrna Beach) and Rep. Debra Tendrich (D-Lake Worth).

This bill mandated warning labels and other information pertaining to food products that contain certain chemical additives and ingredients. This included Blue 1-2, Green 3, Red 40, Yellow 5-6, and titanium dioxide. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has already set standards for labeling. This bill would have expanded upon those FDA standards and followed similar laws passed in California that have caused widespread compliance issues for businesses and consumers.

*HB 641 died in the House Industries and Professional Activities Subcommittee.*

**AIF opposes** any regulation that oversteps the federal regulation of food and ingredients. Florida should allow the FDA to review the evidence produced to make informed decisions for the entire food industry to promote consistency in laws throughout the country.

### **SB 1826**

**Ultra-Processed Food** by Sen. Jonathan Martin (R-Fort Myers). There was no House companion bill.

SB 1826 mirrored Sen. Martin's SB 560 (Chemical Additives in Food Products) but explicitly prohibited Florida school districts from offering "ultra-processed" food in school cafeterias. The bill used definitions from the proposed language in SB 560 that bans food products containing certain dyes and other chemical additives.

*SB 1826 died in the Senate Agriculture Committee.*

**AIF opposes** legislation that adds another layer of regulatory patchwork against businesses that sell products that are FDA approved and considered safe for consumption.





Attendees and speakers have a discussion during the 2025 AIF Florida Water Forum University.

### **SB 496 & HB 897**

**Timeshare Plan Management** by Sen. Stan McClain (R-Ocala) and Rep. Kim Berfield (R-Clearwater).

This bill clarifies the applicability of recently enacted legislation that governs timeshare management firms and community association management companies. The bill narrows the conflict-of-interest language to clarify the regulations to ensure transparency. The bill also clarifies how many times these management firms must meet per year and streamlines the process, ensuring regular oversight of these meetings. Finally, the legislation requires annual disclosure of information to stakeholders in the community.

*HB 897 was signed into law by the Governor on June 13 and will go into effect on July 1, 2025.*

**AIF supports** streamlining and clarifying the community association management companies' regulations to ensure compliance and growth for Florida's residents and businesses.

### **SB 600 & HB 561**

**Manufacturing** by Sen. Keith Truenow (R-Tavares) and Rep. Nan Cobb (R-Tavares).

This bill would have restructured Florida's approach to encouraging manufacturing investments. At the Department of Commerce, the bill would have created the role of "Chief Manufacturing Officer" to oversee the "Statewide Office of Manufacturing." Additionally, the bill provided for a Florida's Manufacturers' Workforce Development Program designed

to encourage small manufacturers with new technologies, cybersecurity protocols, and workforce training. The bill also created a promotional campaign that markets state-manufactured products to consumers.

*SB 600 died in House Messages.*

**AIF supports** initiatives that drive new manufacturing investment to the state and the promotion of "Made in Florida" products.

### **SB 766 & HB 583**

**Registration of Agents and Organizations Associated with Foreign Countries of Concern** by Sen. Danny Burgess (R-Zephyrhills) and Rep. Michael Owen (R-Apollo Beach).

The legislation requires any official or third-party representatives of a foreign principal to register with the Division of Elections as a "foreign agent." The bills follow similar framework of the Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA) that regulates foreign influence at the federal level. In addition to requiring all representatives to register as "foreign agents," the bills would mandate reporting for entities or representatives to include their identity, affiliations, financial transactions, and political activities.

*HB 583 died in the Senate Rules Committee.*

**AIF opposes** the early iterations of the legislation and worked with policymakers and other stakeholders on changes that would specify agents as direct representatives of foreign countries of concern, not representatives of international companies doing business in Florida.



## Utilities & Telecommunications

### **SB 818 & HB 703**

**Utility Relocation** by Sen. Stan McClain (R-Ocala) and Rep. Will Robinson (R-Bradenton).

This bill modifies the process of relocating utility facilities on the public right-of-way by using money derived from the communication service tax proceeds via the Utility Relocation Reimbursement Grant Program. This will help ease some scheduling pressure that certain utilities may have in the relocation process as well as shifts the cost burden from the utility owner. These expenses often add up when developments, road projects, and other local structures require broadband facilities to be moved. As Florida becomes increasingly more developed, these relocations will become ever more frequent.

*HB 703 was signed into law by the Governor on June 5 and will go into effect on July 1, 2025.*

**AIF supports** initiatives that ease burdens for utility providers who are forced to move facilities from a right-of-way by local governments.

### **SB 1002 & HB 1137**

**Utility Service Restrictions** by Sen. Keith Truenow (R-Tavares) and Rep. Jason Shoaf (R-Port St. Joe).

This bill preempts local governments from enacting restrictions against how the source of energy is produced, used, delivered, converted, or supplied by utility providers. The bill has several housekeeping provisions that eliminate any current local ordinance conflicting with the proposed preemption.

*HB 1137 was signed into law by the Governor on May 19 and will go into effect on July 1, 2025.*

**AIF supports** legislation that relieves tensions between utility providers and local governments that impose restrictions against different energy sources.

### **SB 1386 & HB 857**

**Assault or Battery on a Utility Worker** by Sen. Clay Yarborough (R-Jacksonville) and Rep. Jennifer Kincart Jonsson (R-Lakeland).

This bill increases penalties against individuals who commit acts of violence against utility workers while on duty. The bill rephrases statutory definitions of “utility workers” that require such individuals to wear appropriate gear that *clearly identifies them as an employee of a utility provider.*

*SB 1386 was signed into law by the Governor on May 22 and will go into effect on October 10, 2025.*

**AIF supports** legislation that stiffens criminal penalties against those who commit acts of violence against utility workers working on critical infrastructure.



AIF's VP of Governmental Affairs, Adam Basford speaks to a Senate Committee.

### **SB 1446 & HB 537**

**Assault or Battery of Contractors Performing State Functions** by Sen. Stan McClain (R-Ocala) and Rep. Chad Johnson (R-Chiefland).

This bill would have provided greater protection for state contractors who are on the frontlines doing work on behalf of the state. The bill raised penalties for those who assaulted or battered these contractors in their line of work.

*SB 1446 died in the Senate Criminal Justice Committee.*

**AIF supports** legislation that stiffens criminal penalties against those who commit acts of violence against state contractors working on behalf of the state.

## Hospitality

### **SB 1742 & HB 913**

**Condominium and Cooperative Associations** by Sen. Jennifer Bradley (R-Fleming Island) and Rep. Vicki Lopez (R-Miami).

This bill addresses multiple issues that have been ongoing in Florida's vast condominium communities over recent years. Primarily, the bill focuses on safety guidelines for condominium associations to adhere to following the Surfside condominium collapse in 2021. The bill gives condominium associations more jurisdiction over repairs and structural inspections. Additionally, the language provides clarity on maintenance responsibilities for condominium properties jointly operated with hotels and allows for the development of shared facilities between condominiums and retail businesses.

*HB 913 was signed into law by the Governor on June 23 and will go into effect on July 1, 2025.*

**AIF supports** legislation that expands Florida's residential footprint and allows for better management of facilities occupied by businesses and residents.

## Employment

### **SB 922 & HB 1219**

**Employment Agreements** by Sen. Tom Leek (R-Ormond Beach) and Rep. Traci Koster (R-Tampa).

In highly competitive business environments, companies are often required to keep innovations and intellectual property developments confidential. This bill strengthens non-compete and confidential employment agreement guidelines by establishing a framework that protects confidential trade secret information. The framework sets new rules for "covered garden leave agreements" for covered employers and covered employees, as current laws allow for several loopholes that employees can use to contest these agreements through litigation while also working for a competing business.

*HB 1219 was passed on April 24, but has not yet been signed into law as of this publication.*

**AIF supports** legislation that protects a business' sensitive information and drives more innovation through clarified rulemaking. These standards will allow more businesses that rely heavily on research and development to invest in Florida and create new jobs in various industry sectors.



Representative Jennifer Canady (R-Lakeland) gives remarks to members at the 2025 AIF Pre-Session Briefing.

## Energy

### **SB 1574 & HB 1239**

**Energy Infrastructure Investment** by Sen. Nick DiCeglie (R-Indian Rocks Beach) and Rep. Jennifer Kincart-Jonsson (R-Lakeland).

Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) continues to expand its presence in Florida's economy as it becomes a more practical and cost-effective source of renewable energy. This bill grants public utilities a cost-recovery mechanism for qualifying RNG infrastructure projects. The bill also encourages further solutions for the capture, sale, and reuse of methane gas.

*SB 1574 was passed on April 30, but was vetoed by the Governor.*

**AIF supports** legislation that provides an economically and technically feasible framework that encourages development and investment in renewable natural gas, hydrogen, and other energy technologies.

## General Government

### **SB 1822 & HB 1609**

**Waste Management** by Sen. Jonathan Martin (R-Fort Myers) and Rep. Meg Weinberger (R-Palm Beach Gardens).

The original Senate bill would have established a preemption on local governments that currently have the ability to regulate auxiliary containers. The bill would have added definitions that clarify auxiliary containers as "reusable or single-use bags, cups, bottles, cans, or other packaging that are made of cloth, paper, plastic, and other frequently recycled materials. The definitions also included materials used for food consumption or delivery by a restaurant or retailer.

The House refused to include the auxiliary container language and only kept the language regarding waste incinerators.

*HB 1609 died in House Messages.*

**AIF supports** legislation that unifies regulatory measures to a uniform standard that applies to all of Florida's 67 counties. These measures would have eased compliance difficulties for Florida businesses and consumers. AIF opposed removing the auxiliary container language from the bill.

### **SB 108 & HB 433**

**Administrative Procedures** by Sen. Erin Grall (R-Vero Beach) and Rep. Toby Overdorf (R-Palm City).

This bill revises Florida's administrative code and updates timelines and processes for public hearings and how information may be incorporated by reference in agency rules. The bill also creates a process for agencies to perform reviews of existing rules and provide reports to the legislature on applicability and specific statutory authority. Additionally, it balances the consistency and predictability





Various members and legislators mingle at the 2025 AIF Chairmen's Fish Fry.

needed to conduct business in Florida while also ensuring agencies are adopting and implementing rules consistent with their specific statutory authority. Other versions of this bill included sunset provisions of rules, which would lead to lengthy processes for agencies to reconsider and inconsistency for Florida's businesses.

*SB 108 was signed into law by the Governor on June 26 and will go into effect on July 1, 2025.*

**AIF supports** legislation that reduces administrative patchwork within state agencies and local authorities and provides transparency on administrative actions from those entities.

### **SB 180 & HB 1535**

**Emergencies** by Sen. Nick DiCeglie (R-Indian Rocks Beach) and Rep. Fiona McFarland (R-Sarasota).

This bill modifies the way local and county governments may respond to development after emergency declarations. The bill prohibits overly burdensome regulations from being passed after a federal disaster declaration following a hurricane. The goal of the added language in the amended bill is to allow communities to plan and develop in the years after a storm as they see fit without making more restrictive policies directly after a storm event.

*SB 180 was signed into law by the Governor on June 26 and will go into effect on June 26, 2025.*

**AIF supports** legislation that clarifies comprehensive plan adjustment timelines after a storm or disaster. Allowing for more time to process and recover before major zoning decisions are made will allow businesses to rebuild and make the best decisions during recovery.

 Supported by AIF  Opposed by AIF

### **SB 1080 & HB 579**

**Local Government Land Regulation** by Sen. Stan McClain (R-Ocala) and Rep. Toby Overdorf (R-Palm City).

This bill works to clear up regulatory patchwork at the local level by revising existing permitting processes that are often backlogged and provide an open door for selective scrutiny towards applicants for certain projects within municipal boundaries. The bill advances the timelines and reporting requirements for such applications.

*SB 1080 was signed into law by the Governor on June 24 and will go into effect on October 1, 2025.*

**AIF supports** legislation that streamlines local bureaucratic efficiency and provides a more expedient and transparent permitting application process for Florida businesses.

## Artificial Intelligence

### **SB 702 & HB 369**

**Provenance of Digital Content** by Sen. Danny Burgess (R-Zephyrhills) and Rep. Fiona McFarland (R-Sarasota).

This bill would have reworked existing laws that govern online digital content by providing definitions and guidelines related to "provenance data." As defined in the legislation, provenance data is "information identifying whether some or all of the content has been derived through generative artificial intelligence and, if so, the name of the generative artificial intelligence tool used to generate such content and the organization that developed such tool." This definition would require businesses to provide notice and origin information on the generative AI that is being used on their platform.

*HB 369 died on the House Calendar.*



**AIF opposed** early versions of the bill and continued to monitor and work on amended versions to improve the legislation to ensure all of Florida's businesses could comply.

## Environmental

### **SB 492 & HB 1175**

**Mitigation Banks** by Sen. Stan McClain (R-Ocala) and Rep. Wyman Duggan (R-Jacksonville).

This bill expands laws passed by the legislature in 2024 that provided credits for environmental mitigation projects. The legislation would allow state agencies that govern mitigation credits to offer credits outside the service area of authorized mitigation banks. This is a resource already available at the federal level.

*SB 492 was signed into law by the Governor on June 26 and will go into effect on July 1, 2025.*

**AIF supports** legislation that expands access to water quality mitigation projects. These measures will allow businesses to operate effectively while working alongside regulators on lands/waterways categorized as mitigation banks.

### **SB 1228 & HB 691**

**Spring Restoration** by Sen. Stan McClain (R-Ocala) and Rep. Bill Conerly (R-Lakewood Ranch).

SB 1228 redesigns the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's jurisdiction and approval standards over certain water reclamation projects. The goal of the legislation is to help replenish, restore, and protect Florida's aquifer through public/private partnerships that fund projects in rural areas. These projects can include wastewater treatment centers, pumping/transmission stations, and water reclamation facilities.

*SB 1228 was signed into law by the Governor on June 19 and will go into effect on July 1, 2025.*

**AIF supports** projects which maintain and grow Florida's water supply so that business, residents and our pristine natural resources are all protected.

## Agriculture

### **SB 318 & HB 1215**

**Ad Valorem Tax Exemption** by Sen. Keith Truenow (R-Tavares) and Rep. Danny Alvarez (R-Fish Hawk).

This joint resolution will place on the ballot a chance for farmers in Florida to receive tax relief by exempting tangible property taxes. This will allow farmers in Florida to flourish in the state.

*HB 1215 was passed on May 2 and will appear on the next statewide ballot.*

**AIF supports** reducing tax burdens for Florida businesses, including farmers who produce products essential for our state.

### **SB 84 & SB 700**

**Housing for Legally Verified Agricultural Workers** by Sen. Jay Collins (R-Tampa).

SB 84 was amended onto SB 700 during session. The original bill died in the Senate Community Affairs Committee without a hearing. There was no House companion to SB 84.

This language prohibits government entities from adopting ordinances that further prohibit housing projects from being constructed for legally verified agricultural workers on farmlands. The bill provides a framework for following federal and state regulations on development requirements while allowing for cost-effective housing to be built quickly and safely.

*SB 700 was signed into law by the Governor on May 15 and will go into effect on July 1, 2025.*

**AIF supports** legislation that aims to clarify how farmers can use their land for the development of housing units for their employees. In a state where housing costs continue to rise, allowing legal and verified workers to live on the lands where they work will benefit both the farmers and their employees.

## Taxation

### **HB 7031**

**Sales Tax Rate Reductions** by the Ways and Means Committee and the Implementing Bill, SB 2502 by Senate Appropriations, cuts more than \$1 billion of taxes throughout various industries. A main proponent of the tax package is the elimination of the business rent tax. Florida is the only state in the country that still imposes a business rent tax, and AIF's members have been long supporters of a total repeal. This cut will align Florida with the rest of the country.

*HB 7031 was signed into law by the Governor June 27 and will go into effect July 1, 2025.*

**AIF supports** the continued incremental reduction of taxes imposed on rental or license fees charged for use of commercial real property. Florida is the only state that charges taxes on the lease of commercial property. While this is a major part of the state's tax revenues, we believe the reduction adopted in 2021 should be fully implemented and ultimately, this tax should be repealed to enhance the business-friendly climate in Florida.

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



#### **Governor Ron DeSantis**

Governor Ron DeSantis is receiving his second Champion for Business Award. Associated Industries of Florida thanks Governor DeSantis for keeping Florida on the right track after a turbulent Legislative Session. Governor DeSantis did not mince words when he realized that some policies directly contradicted the hard work of the 2022 and 2023 tort reforms and could negatively impact businesses and consumers in Florida. When **HB 6017** – Recovery of Damages for Medical Negligence Resulting in Death by Representative Dana Trabulsy (R-Fort Pierce) was passed without caps on noneconomic damages, the Governor used his veto power to ensure that Florida stayed the course to fighting frivolous litigation. The Governor actively opposed the harmful policies while making sure principled, pro-business policy was passed and signed into law. AIF thanks Governor DeSantis for his commitment to Florida and his unwavering vision to move the state forward.



#### **Senate President Ben Albritton**

Senate President Ben Albritton is receiving his fifth Champion for Business Award. Associated Industries of Florida thanks Senate President Albritton for defending against attacks on Florida's business community and for leading the Senate with maturity and common sense. Senator Albritton was able to guide the Senate to pass insightful legislation, which will help Floridians and businesses alike for years to come. AIF thanks Senate President Albritton for his bold leadership through a difficult session and for keeping pace with Florida's need for growth in all sectors.



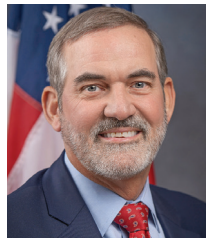
#### **Senate Majority Leader Jim Boyd**

Senator Jim Boyd is receiving his sixth Champion for Business Award. Associated Industries of Florida appreciates Senator Boyd's commitment to the business community and employees of the state. He demonstrated strong leadership and collaboration throughout the legislative session by actively supporting his colleagues in advancing pro-business policies in the Senate. At the same time, he remained firm and unwavering in his stance against efforts by the House to roll back critical tort reform measures, playing a key role in preserving the integrity of reforms that protect Florida's business climate from excessive litigation. AIF thanks Senator Boyd for his continued support in the Florida Senate and looks forward to supporting him through his leadership roles.



#### **Senator Gayle Harrell**

Senator Gayle Harrell is receiving her first Champion for Business Award. Associated Industries of Florida thanks Senator Harrell for her valuable contributions and medical insight to **SB 734** by Senator Yarborough – Actions for the Recovery of Damages for Wrongful Death. Senator Harrell displayed unwavering resolve and principled leadership throughout the legislative session, standing firm amid intense debate and personal attacks to remain a thoughtful and reasoned voice within the Senate Chambers. Despite the political pressures and the challenges posed by emotionally charged discussions, she made the difficult but courageous decision to vote against legislation that lacked essential caps. AIF thanks Senator Harrell for her steadfast commitment to preserving the stability and sustainability of Florida's healthcare system.



#### **Senator Stan McClain**

Senator Stan McClain is receiving his first Champion for Business Award. Associated Industries of Florida applauds Senator McClain's efforts in running seven different AIF-priority bills. He demonstrated exceptional leadership and policy expertise during the 2025 Legislative Session by successfully championing a suite of pro-business legislation across several complex and critically important policy areas, including utilities regulation, property and management associations, and environmental policy. Drawing from his broad and well-established knowledge, Senator

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McClain navigated the intricacies of each issue, ensuring that the legislation he supported not only ensured economic growth but also promoted regulatory clarity and long-term sustainability. AIF thanks Senator McClain for his outstanding dedication and thoughtful work this session.



#### **Senator Kathleen Passidomo**

Senator Kathleen Passidomo is receiving her seventh Champion for Business Award. Associated Industries of Florida applauds Senator Passidomo for her steadfast commitment to Florida's businesses and economy by showing integrity and grace in her discussions

around tort issues. Additionally, she championed pro-business policies and reforms in the Senate throughout her tenure. AIF thanks Senator Passidomo for her continued work in the Florida Senate.



#### **Representative Mike Caruso**

Representative Mike Caruso is receiving his first Champion for Business Award. Associated Industries of Florida commends Representative Caruso for his steadfast and vocal dedication to ensuring the long-term stability of Florida's insurance markets. Rather than

yielding to the pressure of reversing course in the wake of the recently enacted sweeping reforms, Representative Caruso has demonstrated principled leadership by advocating for consistency and clarity in policy implementation. AIF thanks Representative Caruso for his unwavering support for all Floridians.



#### **Representative Tom Fabricio**

Representative Tom Fabricio is receiving his second Champion for Business Award. Associated Industries of Florida recognizes Representative Fabricio for his commitment to the 2022 and 2023 tort reforms. As the sponsor of one of the most transformative

and landmark pieces of legislation aimed at removing Florida from the ranks of so-called "judicial hellholes," he played a pivotal role in advancing meaningful legal reform across the state. However, in the face of mounting political pressure and efforts to reverse these hard-fought reforms, Representative Fabricio's policies came under significant threat. Despite these challenges, he remained resolute and unwavering in his commitment to the integrity of the reforms he helped champion. AIF thanks Representative Fabricio for his continued work on tort issues in Florida.

# 100% Voting

## These Legislators Voted 100% with the Business Community

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.

**Senator Gayle Harrell (R)**

**Representative Jose Alvarez (D)**

**Representative Tom Fabricio (R)**

**Representative Toby Overdorf (R)**

**Representative Alex Rizo (R)**

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

**Note:** Does not include Senator Randy Fine (R), Senator Debbie Mayfield (R), Representative Nathan Boyles (R) and Representative Brian Rodgers (R) who were elected in a special election or left the Florida Senate after minimal votes.



#### **Representative Toby Overdorf**

Representative Toby Overdorf is receiving his second Champion for Business Award.

Associated Industries of Florida proudly recognizes Representative Overdorf for his continued commitment to advancing policies that support Florida's business community, particularly through his sponsorship of **HB 579** relating to Land Use and Development, during the 2025 Legislative Session. Representative Overdorf has long been a respected voice on environmental and regulatory issues, and he brought his considerable experience in crafting this legislation. HB 579, represents a thoughtful and much-needed effort to streamline regulatory processes that have increasingly hindered responsible development and business growth across the state. AIF thanks Representative Overdorf for his tireless efforts to streamline the permitting process for businesses and residents of Florida.







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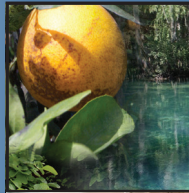
## Associated Industries of Florida Policy Councils & Coalitions

Our councils bring together unique sectors of the business community in order to develop and promote issues vital to those respective industries. These Councils are the backbone of policy making at AIF as the member companies of each Council voice their issues, concerns and ideas and help develop the policies that are presented to our Board of Directors for approval.

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#### Environmental Sustainability & Agriculture Council

Addressing recycling, water quality, product stewardship, and other environmental issues important to the business community.



#### Financial Services Council

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#### Florida Energy Council

Developing resources to meet Florida's future energy needs — producers, suppliers, storage facilities, marketers, retailers, wholesalers and users.



#### Florida Transportation & Maritime Council

Ensuring their continued economic prowess in a global marketplace for businesses that operate or support operations at any of Florida's 14 deep water ports.



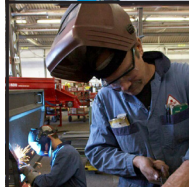
#### Health Care Council

Working to craft a more functional and sustainable health care delivery system for Florida, incorporating the core principles of access, quality and affordability.



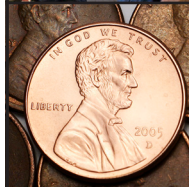
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Promoting Florida's move to the cutting edge of technology to meet the demands of a diverse, fast-growing population, while balancing the needs of the state and private sector.



#### Manufacturing, Aerospace & Defense Council

Advancing the interests of Florida's manufacturing community to help Florida diversify its economy and provide more high-wage and high value-added jobs in the state.



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