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Session 2025

- Session Starts Tuesday, March 4th
- Sine Die (End of Session) Friday, May 2nd
- ✓ Number of bills filed as of February 20: 897





Daniel Perez Speaker, Florida House of Representatives



Key bills affecting municipalities this session

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Bills on Charles Chapman's Radar

- HJR 357 (Chamberlin) Property Tax Exemptions Oppose
- SB 852 (Martin) Study on the Elimination of Property Taxes Monitor
- HB 503 (Botana) Local Business Taxes Oppose

Bills on David Cruz's Radar

- HB 301 (McFarland) Suits Against the Government Oppose
- HB 665 (Steele) & SB 482 (DiCeglie) Local Government Oppose
- SB 452 (Sharief) Restrictions on Redevelopment Oppose
- SB 384 (Burton) Annexing State Owned Lands Monitor

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Bills on Matt Singer's Radar

- HB 241 (Cross) & SB 350 (DiCeglie) Operating Motor Vehicles at Slow Speeds/ Unlawful Speed – Support
- HB 567 (McFarland) & SB 462 (DiCeglie) Department of Transportation Monitor
- HB 661 (Albert) One-Water Approach Toward the State's Water Supply Support
- Potential Legislation
 - Emergency Management

Bills on Rebecca O'Hara's Radar

- HB 247 (Conerly) & SB 184 (Gaetz) Affordable Housing Oppose
- HB 401 (Jacques) Residential Land Use Development Regulations Monitor
- HB 409 (Caruso) Adaptive Reuse of Land Oppose
- Potential Legislation
 - Enterprise Fund Transfers & Extraterritorial Water Surcharges
 - 2024 Bill: CS/CS/HB 1277 (Busatta Cabrera) & SB 1510 (Brodeur) Municipal Utilities Opposed
 - 2024 Bill: CS/HB 777 (Bracket) & SB 1088 (Martin) Municipal Water or Sewer Utility Rates Fees and Charges Opposed
 - Live Local Act Modifications

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Bills on Sam Wagoner's Radar

- SB 2C (Gruters) & SB 4C (Gruters) Immigration Monitored
- SB 770 (Harrell) Cybersecurity Monitor
- Short-Term Rentals
 - HB 535 (Johnson) & SB 606 (Leek) Public Lodging and Public Food Service Establishments – Monitor



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Session Resources Be on the lookout for:

- Legislative Bill Summaries
- ✓ Monday Morning Call-Ins
- On Tap @ the Cap
- ✓ Legislative Action Alerts
- Sign Up to be a Key Contact





