

SEMINOLE COUNTY GOVERNMENT
AGENDA MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Legislative - Agenda 2006

DEPARTMENT: County Manager's Office/County Attorney's Office DIVISION: _____
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Agenda Date 04/25/06 Regular Consent Work Session Briefing
Public Hearing – 1:30 Public Hearing – 7:00

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DFS: _____
Other: _____
DCM: *AS*
CM: _____
File No CMLL01

STATE – Top Legislative Priorities*

1. **Oppose - Shifting the costs of Government services and programs from the state to counties**
2. **Support - Annexation Reform**

S1020 GENERAL BILL by Bennett

Developments of Regional Impact; requires state land planning agency to initiate rulemaking by specific date to revise development-of-regional-impact review process; requires local government to issue development orders concurrently with comprehensive plan amendments; prohibits local government from issuing permits for development subsequent to buildout date; provides statutory exemptions for development of certain facilities, etc. Amends Ch. 380, 163.3180, 331.303. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2006.

12/05/05 SENATE Filed

01/11/06 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Environmental Preservation; Transportation; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations

02/07/06 SENATE on Committee agenda-- Community Affairs, 02/14/06, 162*321151*139:00 am, 401-S –Workshop

02/27/06 SENATE On Committee agenda-- Community Affairs, 03/06/06, 2:15 pm, 401-S

03/06/06 SENATE CS by Community Affairs; YEAS 6 NAYS 1

03/07/06 SENATE Introduced, referred to Community Affairs; Environmental Preservation; Transportation; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; On Committee agenda— Community Affairs, 02/14/06, 9:00 am, 401-S – Workshop – Discussed; On Committee agenda-- Community Affairs, 03/06/06, 2:15 pm, 401-S; CS by Community Affairs; YEAS 6 NAYS 1

03/08/06 SENATE Now in Environmental Preservation -SJ 00229

03/22/06 SENATE On Committee agenda-- Environmental Preservation, 03/27/06, 3:30 pm, 401-S

03/27/06 SENATE CS/CS by Environmental Preservation; YEAS 6 NAYS 0 -SJ 00329; CS read first time on 03/29/06 -SJ 00336

03/29/06 SENATE Now in Transportation -SJ 00329 **(Bill Previously Provided)**

2- Support - Annexation Reform – Continued

S1194 GENERAL BILL by Constantine
Interlocal Serv. Boundary Agreement; creates "Interlocal Service Boundary Agreement Act"; provides legislative intent regarding annexation and coordination of services by local governments; provides for creation of said agreements by county & one or more municipalities or independent special districts; identifies issues agreement may or must address; specifies those persons who may challenge plan amendment required by agreement, etc. Creates 171.20-.212; amends FS.
EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law. 12/12/05 SENATE Filed 01/11/06 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Productivity)
03/07/06 SENATE Introduced, referred to Community Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Productivity
03/30/06 SENATE On Committee agenda-- Community Affairs, 04/04/06, 1:00 pm, 401-S
04/04/06 SENATE Favorable with 2 amendment(s) by Community Affairs; YEAS 6 NAYS 2
04/05/06 SENATE Now in Governmental Oversight and Productivity -SJ 00397(**Bill Previously Provided**)

3. Support - Car Rental Surcharge Tax Support –adoption of a new per diem charge as a local option.

H207 GENERAL BILL by Quinones
Local Option Surcharge/Motor Vehicle; authorizes certain counties to impose by ordinance surcharge on rental or lease of motor vehicles; provides limitations; provides for collection, administration, & enforcement of surcharge by DOR; provides duties of department; requires referendum; provides for uses of surcharge proceeds; provides for application of certain rules of department. Creates 212.0607.
Effective DATE: 07/01/2006.
10/06/05 HOUSE Filed
10/13/05 HOUSE **Withdrawn prior to introduction**
(Bill Previously Provided)

H301 GENERAL BILL by Quinones (**Similar H 0207**)
Local Option Surcharge/Motor Vehicle; authorizes certain counties to impose by ordinance surcharge on rental or lease of motor vehicles; provides exception; provides limitations; provides for collection, administration, & enforcement of surcharge by DOR; provides duties of department; requires referendum; provides for uses of surcharge proceeds; provides for application of certain rules of department. Creates 212.0607.
EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2006.

10/31/05 HOUSE Filed
 12/23/05 HOUSE Referred to Tourism (SIC); Finance & Tax (FC); Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations (FC); State Infrastructure Council
 03/07/06 HOUSE Introduced, referred to Tourism (SIC); Finance & Tax (FC); Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations (FC); State Infrastructure Council
 03/24/06 HOUSE On Committee agenda-- Tourism (SIC), 03/28/06, 1:00 pm, 306-H
 03/28/06 HOUSE Favorable with CS amendment by Tourism (SIC); YEAS 6 NAYS 2 -HJ 00303
 03/29/06 HOUSE Pending review of CS under Rule 6.3(b); Now in Finance & Tax (FC) -HJ 00303
 03/31/06 HOUSE On Committee agenda-- Finance & Tax (FC), 04/04/06, 4:00 pm Or Upon Adjournment of the Fiscal Council, 404-H
 04/04/06 HOUSE Favorable by Finance & Tax (FC); YEAS 6 NAYS 1; Now in Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations (FC)
 (**Bill Previously Provided**)

S2632 GENERAL BILL by Webster

Motor Vehicle Lease/Surcharge; provides for imposition by countywide referendum of additional surcharge on lease or rental of motor vehicle; provides proceeds of surcharge to be deposited in Local Option Fuel Tax Trust Fund & used for construction & maintenance of state roads. Amends 212.0606. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2006.

03/03/06 SENATE Filed
 03/22/06 SENATE Introduced, referred to Community Affairs; Transportation; Government Efficiency Appropriations; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations -SJ 00294
 03/23/06 SENATE On Committee agenda-- Community Affairs, 03/28/06, 9:00 am, 401-S
 03/28/06 SENATE Favorable with 1 amendment(s) by Community Affairs; YEAS 5 NAYS 1 -SJ 00328
 03/29/06 SENATE Now in Transportation -SJ 00328
 03/31/06 HOUSE On Committee agenda-- Finance & Tax (FC), 04/04/06, 4:00 pm or Upon Adjournment of the Fiscal Council, 404-H
 04/04/06 HOUSE Favorable by Finance & Tax (FC); YEAS 6 NAYS 1 -HJ 00344; Now in Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations (FC) -HJ 00344
 (**Bill Previously Provided**)

4. Support - Deferred Compensation/Government Employees –deferred compensation plan or plans apply to employees of governmental entities other than state.

H405 GENERAL BILL by Meador (Identical S 1024)

Deferred Compensation Programs; amends provision re Financial Services Dept., to conform; revises term "employee" & defines term "governmental entity"; authorizes governmental entities, by ordinance, contract agreement, or other documentation, to participate in deferred compensation plan of state & specifies responsibility of Chief Financial Officer with respect thereto. Amends 20.121, 112.215. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

11/16/05 HOUSE Filed

12/23/05 HOUSE Referred to Governmental Operations (SAC); Local Government Council; Fiscal Council; State Administration Council

01/31/06 HOUSE Reported out of Governmental Operations Comm.

02/01/06 HOUSE Remaining referrals: Fiscal Council, State Administration Council, Local Government Council

03/06/06 HOUSE On Council agenda-- Local Government Council,

03/08/06, 1:00 pm, 404-H 03/07/06 HOUSE Introduced, referred to

Governmental Operations (SAC); Local Government Council; Fiscal

Council; State Administration Council; On Committee agenda—

Governmental Operations (SAC), 01/25/06, 1:30 pm, Morris Hall;

Favorable with CS amendment by Governmental Operations (SAC);

YEAS 6 NAYS 0; Pending review of CS under Rule 6.3(b); Now in Local

Government Council; On Council agenda-- Local Government Council,

03/08/06, 1:00 pm, 404-H

03/09/06 HOUSE Pending review of CS under Rule 6.3(b)

03/10/06 HOUSE Now in Fiscal Council -HJ 00192

(Bill Previously Provided)

S1024 GENERAL BILL by Constantine (Identical H 0405)

Deferred Compensation Programs; revises term "employee" and defines term "governmental entity"; authorizes governmental entities, by ordinance, contract agreement, or other documentation, to participate in deferred compensation plan of state & specifies responsibility of Chief Financial Officer with respect thereto; amends specified provision regarding Financial Services Dept., to conform. Amends 20.121, 112.215. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

12/05/05 SENATE Filed

01/11/06 SENATE Referred to Governmental Oversight and Productivity; General Government Appropriations

03/07/06 SENATE Introduced, referred to Governmental Oversight and Productivity; General Gov't Appropriations

03/24/06 SENATE On Committee agenda-- Governmental Oversight and Productivity, 03/29/06, 3:30 pm, 110-S

03/29/06 SENATE CS by Gov't Oversight and Productivity; YEAS 6

NAYS 0 -SJ 00355; CS read first time on 03/30/06 -SJ 00359

03/30/06 SENATE Now in General Government Appropriations -SJ 00355

(Bill Previously Provided)

5. Support - Growth Management

S126 GENERAL BILL by Bennett

Growth Management; expresses legislative intent to revise laws regarding growth management. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

09/08/05 SENATE Filed

10/26/05 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Environmental Preservation; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Ways and Means; Rules and Calendar

03/07/06 SENATE Introduced, referred to Community Affairs; Environmental Preservation; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Ways and Means; Rules and Calendar

03/07/06 SENATE Introduced, referred to Community Affairs; Environmental Preservation; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Ways and Means; Rules and Calendar -SJ 00051

(Bill Previously Provided)

S130 GENERAL BILL by Bennett

Growth Management; expresses legislative intent to revise laws regarding growth management. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

09/08/05 SENATE Filed

10/26/05 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Environmental Preservation; Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations; Ways and Means; Rules and Calendar

03/07/06 SENATE Introduced, referred to Community Affairs; Environmental Preservation; Transportation and Economic Development Approp; pays and Means; Rules & Calendar

(Bill Previously Provided)

S1608 GENERAL BILL by Bennett (Compare H 0949)

Land Use Decisions; provides that county charter, ordinance, regulation, or special act governing use of development of land, or providing exclusive method of municipal annexation, is not effective within or applicable to municipality within that county unless charter provision, ordinance, regulation, or special act is approved by majority of electors of county & municipality or is approved by majority of municipality's governing board, etc. Creates 163.3172. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2006.

01/25/06 SENATE Filed

02/13/06 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary

03/07/06 SENATE Introduced, referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary -SJ 00133

03/16/06 SENATE On Committee agenda-- Community Affairs, 03/21/06, 9:00 am, 401-S

03/21/06 SENATE Favorable with 2 amendment(s) by Community Affairs; YEAS 8 NAYS 0 -SJ 00316

03/22/06 SENATE Now in Judiciary -SJ 00317

(Bill Previously Provided)

6. **Support - Seminole Community College** - Increased funding and capital needs.
7. **Support - University of Central Florida Medical School** - Board of Governors heard presentations in November. Seminole support was highlighted. A final vote was postponed until March 2006. Nothing has been presented for legislation.
8. **Support - Sexual Predator Legislation**

H91 GENERAL BILL by Goldstein (Compare H 0083)

Residence of Sexual Offenders; prohibits sexual predators from establishing or maintaining residence within 2,500 feet of specified locations; provides for county or municipal ordinances that restrict residence of sexual offenders; revises provisions regarding residence of specified sex offenders; revises requirements for location of public school bus stops in relation to permanent residence of specified sexual offenders, etc. Amends 775.21, 794.065, 947.1405, 948.30. EFFECTIVE DATE:10/01/2006.

08/24/05 HOUSE Filed

09/22/05 HOUSE Referred to Criminal Justice (JC); Justice Appropriation (FC); Justice Council

11/21/05 HOUSE On Committee agenda-- Criminal Justice (JC), 12/07/05, 9:15 am, 404-H

12/07/05 HOUSE Favorable with CS amendment by Criminal Justice (JC); YEAS 6 NAYS 0 --Preliminary)

12/15/05 HOUSE Pending review of CS under Rule 6.3(b); Now in Justice Appropriations (FC)

12/27/05 HOUSE Original reference(s)- removed: Justice Appropriations (FC); Also referred to Criminal Justice Appropriations (FC) Now in Criminal Justice Appropriations (FC))

01/13/06 HOUSE Referred to Criminal Justice Appropriations agenda

01/27/06, 9:00 am, 214-C --Meeting cancelled

03/07/06 HOUSE Introduced, referred to Criminal Justice (JC); Justice Appropriations (FC); Justice Council; On Committee agenda— Criminal Justice (JC), 12/07/05, 9:15 am, 404-H;

Favorable with CS amendment by Criminal Justice (JC);

YEAS 6 NAYS 0; Pending review of CS under Rule

6.3(b); Now in Justice Appropriations (FC); Original reference(s)- removed: Justice Appropriations (FC); CS

referred to Criminal Justice Appropriations (FC); On

Committee agenda-- Criminal Justice Appropriations (FC),

01/27/06, 9:00 am, 214-C – Meeting cancelled

03/07/06 HOUSE Introduced, referred to Criminal Justice (JC); Justice Appropriations (FC); Justice Council -HJ 00019; On Committee

agenda-- Criminal Justice (JC), 12/07/05, 9:15 am, 404-H;
Favorable with CS amendment by Criminal Justice (JC); YEAS 6
NAYS 0 -HJ 00134; Pending review of CS under Rule 6.3(b);
Now in Justice Appropriations (FC) -HJ 00134; Original
reference(s)- removed: Justice Appropriations (FC) -HJ 00131;
CS referred to Criminal Justice Appropriations (FC)
-HJ 00131; On Committee agenda-- Criminal Justice
Appropriations (FC), 01/27/06, 9:00 am, 214-C --Meeting
cancelled
(Bill Previously Provided)

H165 GENERAL BILL by Legg

Sheltering of Sex Offender/Predator; prohibits sheltering of sexual offenders & designated sexual predators in public hurricane evacuation shelters; requires each county to provide for sufficient separate & exclusive shelter space for such sexual offenders & predators; prohibits sexual predators from seeking shelter in public hurricane evacuation shelters used by general public; provides finding of important state interest, etc. Creates 252.386, amends 775.21; 943.0435. EFFECTIVE DATE: 01/01/2007.

09/20/05 HOUSE Filed

10/03/05 HOUSE Referred to Domestic Security (SAC); Criminal Justice Local Government Council; Justice Appropriations (FC); State Administration Council

12/27/05 HOUSE Original reference(s) removed: Justice Appropriations (FC); Also referred to Criminal Justice Appropriations (FC

03/07/06 HOUSE Introduced, referred to Domestic Security (SAC); Criminal Justice (JC); Local Government Council; Justice Appropriations (FC); State Administration Council; Original reference(s) removed: Justice Appropriations (FC); Referred to- Domestic Security (SAC); Criminal Justice (JC); Local Government Council; Criminal Justice Appropriations (FC); State Administration Council

(Bill Previously Provided)

9. **Driver Education** – No proposed legislation to date. Drivers Ed Committee-Seminole County School Board- Developing a program for future state funding consideration.

***Opposition/support is subject to bill language.**

Community Budget Funding Request

A. Lockhart-Smith Canal Regional Stormwater Facility	-\$2,000,000*
Sponsorship	
Senator Baker and Representative Hays	
*Received FDEP funding through a TMDL Grant for the facility	
B. Regional Alternative Water Supply Program	\$800,000
Sponsorship	
Senator Constantine and Representative Mealor	
C. Cross Florida Greenways Trail -	\$2,500,000
Seminole County/ Winter Springs Connection	
Sponsorship	
Senator Posey and Representative Simmons	
D. SR 46- Regional Evacuation Route (SR 415 to US 1)	<u>\$8,000,000</u>
Sponsorship	
Senator Posey and Representative Adams	
	TOTAL
	\$13,300,000
E. Middle St. John's River Basin Initiative-	\$4,000,000
Support the District in pursuing state funding)	
F. Lake County Community Budget Request	\$8,000,000
Funding for design, construction and connection of	
utility lines to convey potable water off SR 46	
(Support Lake County in pursuing state funding)	
Sponsorship	
Senator Baker and Representative Hays	

State – Issues for Monitoring

1. Funding increase or no reduction in the following programs:

- State aid to Library Programs
- Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP)
- Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences
- Medicaid
- Environmental Health Fees
- Preservation 2000 (P2000) & Florida Forever.

2. Department of Juvenile Justice Issues

S456 GENERAL BILL/CS by Criminal Justice; Wise (Compare H 0335)

Juvenile Justice; requires specified home detention to be with electronic monitoring, subject to appropriation; deletes requirement for report on serious or habitual juvenile offenders & on intensive residential treatment; provides that youth's willful failure to return to residential commitment facility within time authorized for temporary release constitutes escape subject to penalties, etc. Amends Ch. 985. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2006.

10/21/05 SENATE Filed

11/10/05 SENATE Referred to Criminal Justice; Judiciary

01/13/06 SENATE On Committee agenda-- Criminal Justice, 01/25/06, 37-S

01/25/06 SENATE CS by Criminal Justice; YEAS 8 NAYS 0

01/26/06 SENATE Now in Judiciary

02/07/06 SENATE On Committee agenda-- Judiciary, 02/15/06, 2:00 pm, 401-S

02/15/06 SENATE Favorable by- Judiciary; YEAS 7 NAYS 0

02/16/06 SENATE Placed on Calendar, on second reading

03/07/06 SENATE Introduced, referred to Criminal Justice; Judiciary; On

Committee agenda-- Criminal Justice, 01/25/06, 2:00 pm, 37-S;

CS by Criminal Justice; YEAS 8 NAYS 0; CS read first time

on 03/07/06; Now in Judiciary; On Committee agenda--

Judiciary, 02/15/06, 2:00 pm, 401-S; Favorable by- Judiciary;

YEAS 7 NAYS 0; Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading

(Bill Previously Provided)

- ### 3. Florida Hometown Democracy
- The citizen initiative petition to amend the Florida Constitution to require a referendum on all comprehensive plan amendments and adoptions received enough signatures by February 1 for Supreme Court review of the petition. The Supreme Court has issued a schedule for the filing of briefs and for oral argument. The initial brief was filed on March 3, 2006; the answer brief is due on March 20, 2006; and the oral argument is scheduled for Monday, April 3, 2006. The Florida Association of Counties has joined with the Florida League of Cities and the Florida School Boards Association to file a joint brief against the petition arguing that it violates

the single subject rule and that the ballot title and summary are fatally defective.

4. Trauma Center

S1532 GENERAL BILL by Lynn (Identical H 0715)

Trauma Services; provides definitions; repeals provision to terminate Trauma Services Trust Fund; revises provisions re distribution of funds to trauma centers & use thereof; requires annual audit of trauma registry data. Amends 395.4001,.4036,.404; repeals 395.4035. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2006.

01/25/06 SENATE Filed

02/13/06 SENATE Referred to Health Care; Health and Human Services Appropriations

03/07/06 SENATE Introduced, referred to Health Care; Health and Human Services Appropriations

03/10/06 SENATE On Committee agenda-- Health Care, 03/15/06, 1pm, 412-K

03/15/06 SENATE CS by Health Care; YEAS 9 NAYS 0 -SJ 00260; CS read first time on 03/16/06 -SJ 00265

03/16/06 SENATE Now in Health and Human Services Appropriations -SJ 00261
(Bill Previously Provided)

5. Efforts to Privatize the Florida State Retirement System
6. Games of Chance
7. Article V
8. Wireless Communications-
9. Library Internet Filtering
10. Charter County Form of Government - February 21, 2005 – Florida Association of County selected contract lobbyist – Johnson & Blanton
11. Homestead Exemption

S1840 JOINT RESOLUTION by Haridopolos

Homestead Exemption/Seniors; constitutional amendment to increase maximum additional homestead exemption for low income seniors from \$25,000 to \$50,000 effective January 1, 2007. Amends s.6, Art. VII; creates s. 26, Art XII.

02/08/06 SENATE Filed

02/23/06 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Government Efficiency Appropriations; General Government Appropriations; Ways and Means; Rules and Calendar

03/07/06 SENATE Introduced, referred to Community Affairs; Government

Efficiency Appropriations; General Government Appropriations;
Ways and Means; Rules and Calendar
03/16/06 SENATE On Committee agenda-- Community Affairs, 03/21/06, 9:00 am,
401-S
03/21/06 SENATE Favorable by Community Affairs; YEAS 8 NAYS 0 -SJ 00276
03/22/06 SENATE Now in Government Efficiency Appropriations -SJ 00276
(Bill Previously Provided)

12. Eminent Domain

S2168 GENERAL BILL by Judiciary

Eminent Domain; preempts power of eminent domain to state except as otherwise provided by law; limits power of counties to use eminent domain; requires consent to acquire property from certain governmental entities; prescribes manner by which county may exercise its power of eminent domain; limits power of municipalities to use eminent domain; prescribes manner for municipality to exercise power of eminent domain, etc. Amends Chs. 127, 163, 166. EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon becoming law.

02/17/06 SENATE SPB 7102 submitted as a committee bill (SB 2168) by Judiciary; Filed

02/17/06 SENATE SPB 7102 submitted as a committee bill (SB 2168) by Judiciary; Filed

03/03/06 SENATE Referred to Judiciary; Community Affairs

03/07/06 SENATE Introduced, referred to Judiciary; Community Affairs

03/10/06 SENATE On Committee agenda-- Judiciary, 03/15/06, 1:00 pm, 401-S
--Discussed

03/30/06 SENATE On Committee agenda-- Judiciary, 04/04/06, 3:15 pm, 401-S

04/04/06 SENATE CS by Judiciary; YEAS 6 NAYS 0

(Bill Previously Provided)

S2582 GENERAL BILL by Bennett (Compare H 1567)

Community Redevelopment Act of 1969; provides for encouragement of private enterprise by community redevelopment agency; transfers certain responsibilities concerning formation of program to minimize slums or blight from county or municipality to said agency; authorizes creation of one or more redevelopment agencies by county or municipality; removes eminent domain from list of powers available to said agency, etc. Amends Ch. 163. EFFECTIVE DATE: 10/01/2006.

03/03/06 SENATE Filed

03/22/06 SENATE Introduced, referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary;
Government Efficiency Appropriations -SJ 00290

(Bill Previously Provided)

H1567 GENERAL BILL by Rubio (Compare S 2168, S 2582)

Eminent Domain; restricts certain transfers of property taken by eminent domain to certain natural persons or private entities; requires disclosure of eminent domain authority in resolutions finding slum or

blight conditions; provides that power of eminent domain does not vest in community redevelopment agency but rather with governing body of county or municipality; requires county compliance with eminent domain limitations, etc. Amends FS. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2006.
03/07/06 HOUSE Filed; Introduced -HJ 00117
03/17/06 HOUSE Referred to Local Government Council; Justice Council -HJ 00263
03/20/06 HOUSE On Council agenda-- Local Government Council, 03/22/06, 1:00 pm, 404-H
03/22/06 HOUSE Favorable with CS amendment by Local Government Council; YEAS 8 NAYS 0 -HJ 00299
03/24/06 HOUSE Pending review of CS under Rule 6.3(b); Now in Justice Council -HJ 00299; On Council agenda-- Justice Council, 03/28/06, 9:00 am, 404-H
03/28/06 HOUSE Favorable with CS amendment by- Justice Council; YEAS 11 NAYS 0 -HJ 00302
03/29/06 HOUSE Pending review of CS -under Rule 6.3(b); Placed on Calendar -HJ 00302
04/05/06 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar
(Bill Previously Provided)

H1569 JOINT RESOLUTION by Rubio

Eminent Domain; constitutional amendment to prohibit transfer of ownership or control of private real property taken by eminent domain pursuant to petition filed on or after January 2, 2007, to any natural person or private entity, except that ownership or control of such property may be conveyed to specified natural persons or entities in specified circumstances, etc. Amends s. 6, Art. X.

03/07/06 HOUSE Filed; Introduced -HJ 00118
03/17/06 HOUSE Referred to Local Government Council; Justice Council -HJ 00263
03/20/06 HOUSE On Council agenda-- Local Government Council, 03/22/06, 1:00 pm, 404-H
03/22/06 HOUSE Favorable with CS amendment by Local Government Council; YEAS 8 NAYS 0 -HJ 00299
03/24/06 HOUSE Pending review of CS under Rule 6.3(b); Now in Justice Council -HJ 00299; On Council agenda-- Justice Council, 03/28/06, 9:00 am, 404-H
03/28/06 HOUSE Favorable by- Justice Council; YEAS 11 NAYS 0 -HJ 00302; Placed on Calendar -HJ 00302
04/05/06 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar
(Bill Previously Provided)

H1571 JOINT RESOLUTION by Rubio (Compare S 0598)

Homestead Property/Just Value; constitutional amendment to provide additional circumstance for assessing homestead property at less than just value. Amends s. 4, Art. VII.

03/07/06 HOUSE Filed; Introduced -HJ 00118

03/17/06 HOUSE Referred to Local Government Council; Justice Council
-HJ 00263
03/20/06 HOUSE On Council agenda-- Local Government Council, 03/22/06,
1:00
pm, 404-H
03/22/06 HOUSE Favorable by Local Government Council; YEAS 8 NAYS 0
-HJ 00285
03/23/06 HOUSE Now in Justice Council -HJ 00285
03/24/06 HOUSE On Council agenda-- Justice Council, 03/28/06, 9:00 am, 404-
H
03/28/06 HOUSE Favorable with CS amendment by- Justice Council; YEAS 11
NAYS 0 -HJ 00302
03/29/06 HOUSE Pending review of CS -under Rule 6.3(b); Placed on Calendar
-HJ 00302
04/05/06 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar
(Bill Previously Provided)

13.3-1-1 Statewide Grant Program

SB 1062 – 2/14/06 BCC authorized Chairman to execute a letter of support.
S1062 GENERAL BILL by Diaz de la Portilla (Similar H 0661)
Coordinated 311 Nonemergency System; defines term "coordinated 311
nonemergency & other governmental services telephone system"; authorizes
DCA to accept & administer funds to provide grants for coordinated 311
nonemergency & other governmental services systems; authorizes counties
& municipalities to apply for grants; requires county or municipality to
provide matching funds; requires department to award grants in order of
priority, etc. Creates 365.180. APPROPRIATION: \$10,000,000. EFFECTIVE
DATE: 07/01/2006.
12/06/05 SENATE Filed
01/11/06 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Transportation and Economic
Development Appropriations; Ways and Means
02/07/06 SENATE On Committee agenda-- Community Affairs, 02/14/06, 9:00
02/14/06 SENATE Favorable with 1 amendment(s) by Community Affairs; YEAS
8 NAYS 0
02/15/06 SENATE Now in Transportation and Economic Development
Appropriations
03/06/06 SENATE On Committee agenda-- Transportation and Economic
Development Appropriations, 03/09/06, 1:00 pm, 309-C
03/07/06 SENATE Introduced, referred to Community Affairs; Transportation and
Economic Development Appropriations; Ways and Means; On
Committee agenda-- Community Affairs, 02/14/06, 9:00 am,
401-S; Favorable with 1 amendment(s) by Community Affairs;
YEAS 8 NAYS 0; Now in Transportation and Economic
Development Appropriations; On Committee agenda--
Transportation and Economic Development Appropriations,
03/09/06 SENATE CS by Transportation and Economic Dev Appropriations;
YEAS 6 NAYS 0 -SJ 00237; CS read first time on 03/15/06

-SJ 00248

03/13/06 SENATE Now in Ways and Means -SJ 00237

(Bill Previously Provided)

14. Legislative Request for Concurrency Issues near the Orlando Sanford International Airport – 2/14/06 BCC approved supporting the request for legislative clarification to FDOT to proceed with the following growth management initiatives to ensure transportation concurrency necessary for continued development of property in the vicinity of Orlando Sanford International Airport.

- ◆ 4 - laning of SR 46 from, Mellonville Avenue to SR 415, in FDOT 5 - Year Work Program
- ◆ Recognition of transportation mitigation initiatives underway by Seminole County for State roads:
 - Extension and four-laning of Lake Mary Blvd from SR 15/600 (US 17-92) to intersection of SR 46/SR 415
 - 4-laning of Ronald Reagan Blvd to SR 15/600 (US 17-92)
 - Construction of SR 417 from Lake Mary Blvd to Interstate 4
 - 4-laning of Airport Blvd from SR 15/600 (US 17-92) to SR 46
 - 4-laning SR 46A

Items of Interest

- Seminole County Legislative Delegation Meeting -
Held November 15, 2005, BCC Chambers, 3:00 pm
- Special Session – December 5th -9th, 2005
- Seminole County Legislative Day in Tallahassee —
April 5, 2006
- Regular Session – Begins March 7, 2006 - Ends May 5, 2006
- State lobbyist – Brantley and Associates

Top Federal Legislative Priorities

1. Oppose any bills that preempt local government authority.

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S.2113 Title: A bill to promote the widespread availability of communications services and the integrity of communication facilities, and to encourage investment in communication networks.

Sponsor: Sen DeMint, Jim [SC] (introduced 12/15/2005) Cosponsors (1)
(Bill Previously Provided)

Latest Major Action: 12/15/2005 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

Top Federal Funding Items

A. Pedestrian Overpass (Howell Branch Road & State Road 426) - \$6 m

Request - \$6.0 million under the Transportation and Community System Preservation Program account in Fiscal Year 2007 Transportation Appropriations Bill to construct a pedestrian overpass at the intersection of Howell Branch Road and State Road 426.

The project serves as a regional trail/pedestrian link between Seminole and Orange Counties. It was approved by the MetroPlan Orlando Board as part of the Long Range Plan 2025 in 2004.

Recently, the County has completed the south link of the Cross Seminole Trail, which terminates at the Orange County Line. Orange County will be tying into this section of the trail which will provide a connection to the downtown Orlando Area. The trail serves both recreational and commuter users. In Seminole County it intersects with State Road 426 and Howell Branch Road. Approximately 50,000 cars a day pass through this intersection. The pedestrian overpass will enhance the safety at this intersection. The total cost of the project is \$6.0 million for design, right-of-way and construction. Neither the County nor the State has funds at this time.

B. Cross Fl Greenways Trail – Seminole County/Winter Springs - \$2.5m

Request - \$2.5 million under the Transportation and Community System Preservation Program account in the Fiscal Year 2007 Transportation appropriations Bill to develop the Cross Florida Greenways Trail in Seminole County/Winter Springs.

The Cross Florida Greenways Trail is part of a planned connection to Orange County and a regional trail system connection to the Seminole County trail system and eventually part of the Florida National Scenic Trail System. The section of the trail in which the County is seeking funds is in Winter Springs between Layer Elementary School and Old Sanford/Oviedo Road.

The project was approved by the MetroPlan Orlando Board as part of the Long Range Plan 2025 in 2004.

The trail serves work, recreational and school access purposes. It also is a "mission link" for a multi-county trail and; therefore, is significant in terms of need and importance. The total cost of the project is \$2.5 million. The County can contribute \$500,000 to this project.

C. State Road 46 – Regional Evacuation Route (SR 415 to US 1) - \$8m

Request - \$8 million under the Transportation and Community System Preservation Program account in the Fiscal Year 2007 Transportation Appropriations Bill to develop State Road 46 from State Road 415 to US Highway 1.

The funds sought would cover the project development and environment (PD&E) phase of this project, which expands State Road 46 to 4-lanes from State Road 415 to US Highway 1 in Brevard County. Widening State Road 46 would significantly improve travel on a regional basis and provide an upgraded hurricane evacuation route.

The total cost of the project is \$120 million. The project in Seminole County was approved and adopted by the MetroPlan Orlando Board in 2004 as part of the Long Range Plan.

The County expects the funds to be provided by the Florida Department of Transportation which would be the agency to implement the project since it is a State roadway and serves traffic on a regional basis. As an evacuation route, it directly serves Orange, Seminole, Volusia and Brevard Counties. Indirectly, it would serve as a primary or secondary route for other coastal Counties along the east coast of Florida.

D. Upsala Landfill Restoration - \$2m

Request - \$2 million under the Environmental Programs and Management Account in the Fiscal Year 2007 Interior and Environment Appropriations Bill for the remediation and restoration of the closed Upsala Landfill site. The work would include the environmental study, engineering and construction needed to reclaim the former landfill and adjacent sludge disposal area. The approximate 24 acre former disposal site would be converted into a park that would serve the residents of Seminole County and region.

E. Computer Aided Dispatch System- \$900,000

Request - \$900,000 under the Law Enforcement Technology and Interoperability Grants program in the Fiscal Year 2007 Science, State, Justice and Commerce Appropriations Bill for a computer aided dispatch (CAD) system.

Due to the complex nature of the County's first response system and the increase in call activity, improvements to the County's technology are required to effectively and efficiently dispense the proper resources to a variety of scenarios. The current system in place has been outdated due to call volume capacity and requires numerous upgrades to integrate technology such as Automatic Vehicle Locator (AVL) systems, Mobile Data Terminals (MDT), enhanced Mobile Data Collection reporting systems with integration to local hospitals, and an enhanced Incident Command Operational System to handle large scale incidents as well as Hazardous Materials and Weapons of Mass Destruction response.

The system is a jointly used by the County and the Cities of Sanford, Lake Mary, Oviedo, Winter Springs, Longwood, Casselberry and Altamonte Springs. It provides communications for general EMS, Fire, Rescue response, many facets of Special Response and serves as ancillary support to other functions such as Animal Control services.

F. Replacement of Large Print Library Books- \$100,000

Request - \$100,000 under the Institute of Museum and Library Services account in the Fiscal Year 2007 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Bill to replace large print library books.

Large print books are used more and more by people who are not visually impaired. They are used by the senior citizens whose vision has declined; they are used by stationary bicycle and treadmill users; they are used by speed readers; they are used by students with reading difficulties; they are used by patients recovering from head injury or stroke. This use, on top of the intense traditional use of large print books by the visually impaired, has put a strain on the Large Print Collection of the Seminole County Public Library System.

The current Large Print Collection cannot fulfill the rising demand for this format. In order to make the Large Print Collection a more contemporary and viable collection, \$100,000 would be used to purchase approximately 2,800 large print volumes (average \$37.00 per large print volume as determined by library sources, 2004/2005 U. S. Statistical Abstracts and Bowker Annual Library and Book Trade Almanac.

G. Regional Alternative Water Supply Program - \$200,000,000

Request - \$2,000,000 under the State and Tribal Assistance Grant account in the Fiscal Year 2007 Interior & Environment Appropriations Bill to assist in the design of the Yankee Lake Regional Surface Water Facility for augmentation of the reclaimed water system to offset potable ground water demands.

The project will serve the Northwest/Northeast Service Areas of the County as well as provide resources to the Seminole, Lake Mary, and Sanford Tri-Party Re-claim System. St. Johns River Water Management District (SJRWMD) has determined, through studies conducted since the mid-1990's that the withdrawals from the Upper Floridian aquifer may result in adverse environmental impact. This project will help us meet the St. Johns River Water Management District regulatory controls along with possible grant funding from SJRWMD up to a maximum \$12,000,000 for construction

H. Eastern Connector- \$500m

Support Congressman Mica' request of \$500,000,000 for the that runs from SR 417 south of Sanford to I-95 in Volusia.

- I. Wilson's Landing - \$2.1m (Added to the List per BCC Direction on 3/28/06. The cut-off for submittals for funding was March 16th. Will continue to pursue other funding options, i.e. grants.**

Top Federal Legislative Issues for Monitoring

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- B. **Support** – Funding for the State Homeland Security Grant Program
- C. **Support** – County's grant application for the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program
- D. **Support** – County's grant application for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
- E. **Support** – Funding as “universal service contributions” under Section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934
- F. **Support** – Funding of the Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) program
- G. **Support** – County's grant application for a Health Community Access Program (HCAP) Grant

Items of Interest

- Seminole County Legislative Day in Washington, DC
May, 16 & 17, 2006
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Additional Attachments

- A. Memo Dated 4/14/06 – Ray Valdes, Tax Collector**
- B. Memo Dated 4/17/06- David Johnson, Property Appraiser**
- C. Summary 4/17/06- FAC Statewide Priority Issues**



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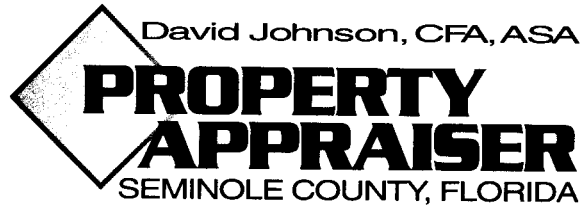
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FROM: Ray Valdes
DATE: April 14, 2006
RE: 2006 Florida Legislative Issues

This memo is in response to your inquiry regarding whether the Florida Tax Collectors Association takes an official stand on legislative issues, such as the "Save Our Homes" and "Florida Hometown Democracy".

The Tax Collectors Association has a standard policy to restrain from taking a position on legislative issues unless the policy directly affects a function or responsibility of the Tax Collector office.

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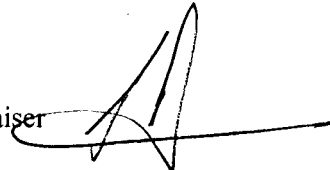
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DATE: April 17, 2006

TO: Sally Sherman, Deputy County Manager

FROM: David Johnson, Seminole County Property Appraiser 

SUBJECT: Portability of "Save Our Homes" Savings & Increase in Homestead Exemption

As you may be aware, a total of seven (7) bills have been filed in this Legislative session providing taxpayers a mechanism to transfer their "Save our Homes" savings (portability), from one homestead property to a new homestead. Each of the bills has several different nuances that make them unique. However, all the bills attempt to lessen the impact of a substantial increase in property taxes to a taxpayer when they move. In addition, a bill has been filed to raise the homestead exemption from its current level of \$25,000 to \$50,000 over a ten year period of time. Ultimately, both of these issues would have to be approved by the voters in order to become law.

The official position of the Florida Association of Property Appraiser's (FAPA), of which I am a member, is to remain neutral in regards to these issues. As State Constitutional Officers, Property Appraisers have certain administrative and ministerial duties to perform as outlined in the Florida Statutes. In our role as ministerial officers, our ability to influence tax policy is somewhat limited. However, FAPA has advised the Legislature through its lobbying efforts that the association should be part of discussions concerning the implementation of any of these bills. FAPA has also been active in providing both fiscal and statistical information regarding the impact of portability and an increase in the homestead exemption.

A very preliminary analysis of the impact to Seminole County's General Fund should voters approve the portability of the "Save our Homes" savings would be approximately **\$1,283,133** in 2006. The impact to all taxing authorities within Seminole County would be approximately **\$4,762,000**. However, it is important to remember that this number will grow exponentially in subsequent years.

If the voters approve the increase of the homestead exemption to \$50,000, phased in over a ten year period, the impact to the County's General Fund would be **\$1,250,000 in just the first year**. This number would increase by at least **\$1,250,000** per year for the next ten years. The impact to all of the County's taxing authorities would be **\$4,625,000 in the first year alone**.

It is also important to note that as more exemptions are afforded to one class of property, the tax burden tends to shift to other classes of property, such as non-homestead properties.

I hope this information is useful and please do not hesitate to let me know if you have additional questions or concerns.





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