



# Becoming an Informed Advocate

HOW TO MONITOR BILLS DURING THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION

URL for Florida House:  
<http://www.myfloridahouse.gov>

There are two ways you can search for a bill

1. If you know the bill's number, simply put the number in text field labeled "Bill #" and click "Search"
2. If you don't know the bill's number, or simply want to conduct a broader search, you can enter some text from the bill.
  - This method of searching could be useful if you wanted to find all bills that deal with a specific topic.

The screenshot displays the official website of the Florida House of Representatives. At the top, a navigation bar includes a search section with a red circle highlighting the 'Bill' dropdown menu, the '2022' session year, and the 'Search' button. Other search options include 'Bill #', 'Bill Text', 'Search', 'Statute', '2021', 'Search Term', 'Chapter', 'Search', 'Site', 'Site Search', and 'Search'. To the right of the search bar are social media icons for Facebook and Twitter. Below the navigation bar, the header features the Florida House of Representatives seal and the text 'FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES'. A secondary navigation bar lists links: Home, Bills, Representatives, Committees, Leadership, House Schedule, Publications, and Tracking. The main content area is divided into two sections. The left section, titled 'News Alert', features a large image of the Florida House chamber. The right section, titled '2021 Interim Committee Week Dates', also features a large image of the chamber. Below these sections, there are four tiles: 'House Directory' (MEMBERS / COMMITTEES / STAFF) with a red icon of a person reading a book, 'Lobbyist Disclosure' (LOBBYIST INFORMATION) with a blue icon of two hands shaking, 'House Majority Office' (HOUSE REPUBLICANS) with a red icon of a torch, and 'House Minority Office' (HOUSE DEMOCRATS) with a blue icon of a torch. To the right of these tiles is a large portrait of Chris Sprowls, Speaker of the House, with his name and title prominently displayed next to the Florida House of Representatives seal.



Each bill will have its own page which contains quite a bit of useful information including the following:

Bill sponsor and cosponsors



Committees of reference



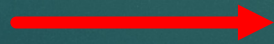
Companion Bill (if any)



Text of the bill



Staff analysis



Vote history



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**News Alert** 2021 Interim Committee Week Dates

### HB 51 - Required Instruction in the History of the Holocaust and the History of African Americans

General Bill by Thompson

**Required Instruction in the History of the Holocaust and the History of African Americans:** Requires DOE to prepare standards & curriculum related to history of African Americans; provides for development of specified training & resources; provides requirements for specified entities relating to history of Holocaust & history of African Americans instruction; provides for inclusion of such content in certain statewide, standardized assessments.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2022

**Last Event:** Now in Secondary Education & Career Development Subcommittee on Friday, September 17, 2021 3:17 PM

[Lobbyist Disclosure Information](#)

#### Referred Committees and Committee Actions

##### House Referrals

- [Secondary Education & Career Development Subcommittee](#)
- [Early Learning & Elementary Education Subcommittee](#)
- [PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee](#)
- [Education & Employment Committee](#)

#### Related Bills

(No Related Bills On Record)

#### Bill Text

[Original Filed Version](#)

#### Staff Analysis

(None Available)

#### Vote History

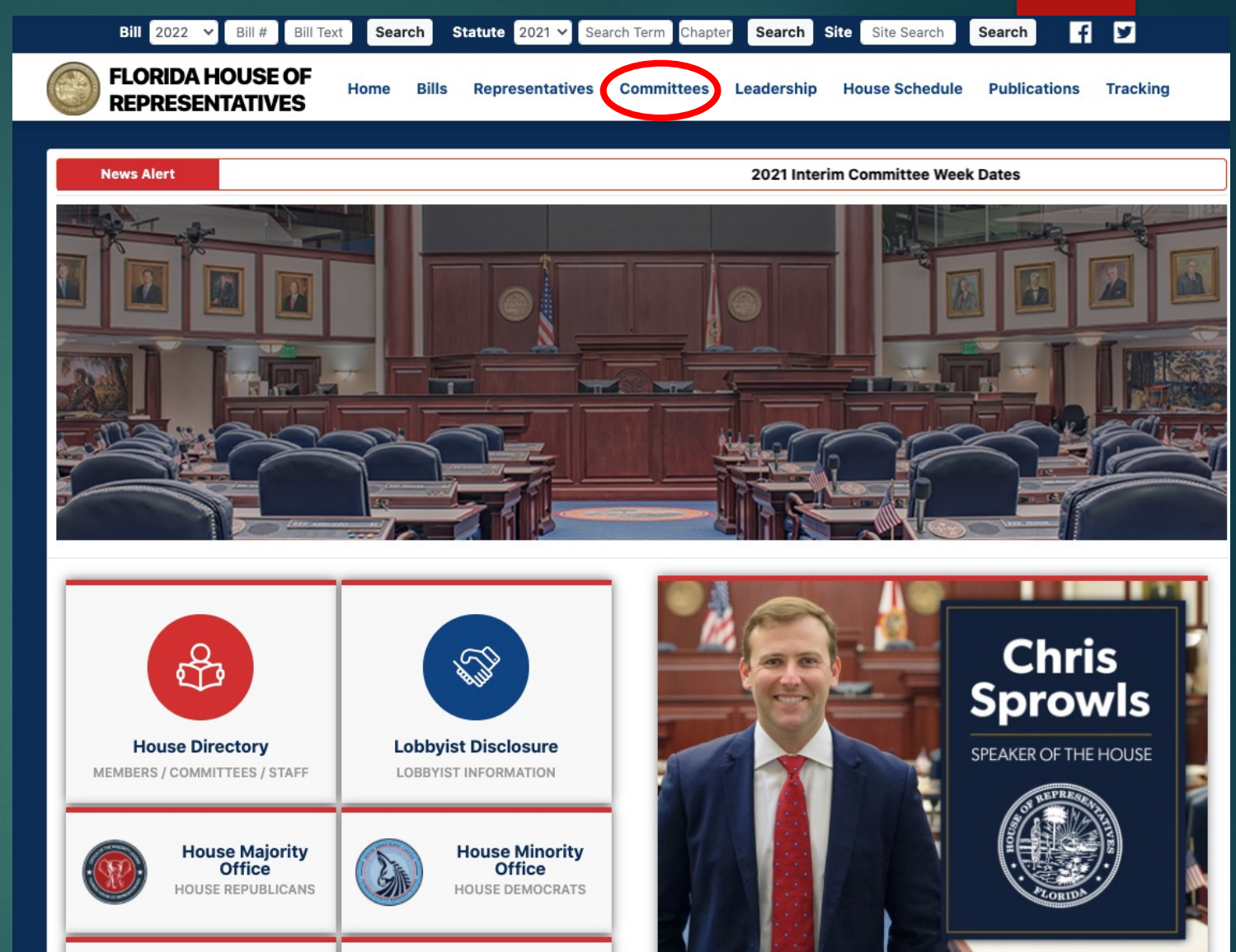
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In addition to searching for bills, you may want to search for committees.

This can be easily done by simply clicking “Committees” from the homepage of the Florida House.

Then, click on the name of the committee you’re interested in.





## Post-Secondary Education & Lifelong Learning Subcommittee

**Location:** 308 House Office Building \* 402 South Monroe Street \* Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300

**Contact:** (850) 717-4830

**Next Meeting:** October 21, 2021 9:00 AM

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### Leadership for Post-Secondary Education & Lifelong Learning Subcommittee

#### Chair



[Mariano, Amber](#) [R]

#### Vice Chair



[Melo, Lauren](#) [R]

#### Democratic Ranking Member



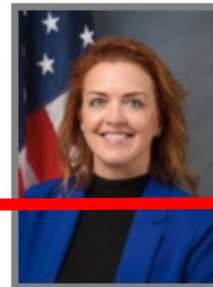
[Alexander, Ramon](#) [D]

### Representatives



[Andrade, Robert Alexander](#)

"Alex" [R]



[Arrington, Kristen Aston](#) [D]



[Bell, Melony M.](#) [R]

### Staff

[Kiner, Kerrington](#)  
Policy Chief

[Jones, Missy](#)  
Administrative Lead

[Olsen, Kirsten](#)  
Administrative Support

### Committee Documents

On the Committee's page you can find when their next meeting is scheduled

The agenda for the next meeting

The leadership of the Committee

The rest of the members of the Committee

And the Committee Staff

URL for Florida Senate:  
<http://www.flsenate.gov>

You'll notice that the Senate website is set up very similar to the House.

You can search by bill number, and you can search for committees.

The screenshot displays the official website of the Florida Senate. At the top, the header includes the Florida Senate seal and the text "THE FLORIDA SENATE". To the right of the header is a search bar with the text "Go to Bill: Bill # 2022 Go" and "Find Statutes: 2021 Search Term Chapter Find". Below the header is a navigation menu with links for "Home", "Senators", "Committees", "Session", and "Laws". The "Committees" link is highlighted with a red circle. Below the navigation menu is a date bar showing "Wednesday, October 20, 2021". Below the date bar is a section titled "Calendar" with sub-tabs for "Calendar", "Filed Today", and "Bill Actions". Below the "Calendar" tab is a section titled "Meeting Records: Expand All Collapse All". Below this section is a list of meetings for the day. The first meeting is from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon, with sub-sections for "Agriculture", "Governmental Oversight and Accountability", and "Health Policy". Each sub-section lists the location and a link to "Meeting Records". The second meeting is from 1:00 to 3:00 PM, with sub-sections for "Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services" and "Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development". Each sub-section lists "Not meeting". The third meeting is from 3:30 to 5:30 PM, with a sub-section for "Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government" listing "Not meeting".

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Home Senators Committees Session Laws

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Calendar Filed Today Bill Actions

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[Agriculture](#)  
Location: 110 Senate Building  
[Meeting Records](#)

[Governmental Oversight and Accountability](#)  
Location: 37 Senate Building  
[Meeting Records](#)

[Health Policy](#)  
Location: 412 Knott Building  
[Meeting Records](#)

1:00 — 3:00 PM

[Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services](#)  
Not meeting

[Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development](#)  
Not meeting

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[Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government](#)  
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**SB 298: Teacher Salaries**GENERAL BILL by [Book](#) Bill Sponsor

Tracking This Bill

[Glossary of Legislative Terms](#)

Teacher Salaries; Requiring each school district that has not yet reached a specified minimum base salary to use its share of the teacher salary increase allocation in a specified manner; authorizing school districts that have met the minimum base salary for full-time classroom teachers to use funds to raise the salaries of specified personnel; authorizing, instead of prohibiting, district school boards to use advanced degrees as a criterion in setting a salary schedule for certain personnel; authorizing certain instructional personnel to continue to use a salary schedule adopted before a district school board adopts a performance salary schedule or opt into the performance salary schedule, etc.

Effective Date: 7/1/2022

Last Action: 10/13/2021 Senate - Referred to Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations

Bill Text: [Web Page](#) | [PDF](#)

Committees of reference

Senate Committee References:

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1. [Education](#) (ED)
  2. [Appropriations Subcommittee on Education](#) (AED)
  3. [Appropriations](#) (AP)

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Bill History

Related Bills (0)

Bill Text (1)

Amendments (0)


Analyses (0)

Vote History (0)

Citations (2)

## Bill History

DATE	CHAMBER	ACTION
9/22/2021	Senate	• Filed
10/13/2021	Senate	• Referred to Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations



In addition to the bill history, you can find the House companion bill (if any), the text of the bill, any amendments that have been filed to the bill, the legislative analysis of the bill, the vote history, and the statutory citations by selecting the tabs above.

Want to know when a bill has been placed on a committee agenda, when an amendment to the bill has been submitted, and when a bill has been voted upon? The “Track this Bill” feature will provide all of that information (and more) to you.

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 THE FLORIDA SENATE

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- Senate Committees and Offices
- Senate publications, press releases, speeches, videos, and photos

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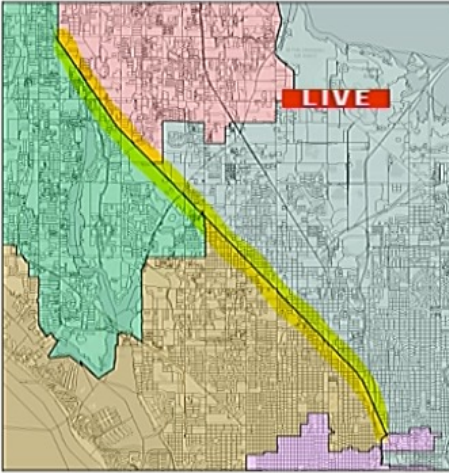
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We recommend strong passwords that are at least 6 characters in length and contain one upper case letter, one lower case letter, and one number or special character.

Creating an account is as simple as filling out the above fields and clicking "Create Account." A word of caution—some bills will have many, many amendments filed. If you choose "instantly" for e-mail frequency, there might be days you are bombarded with e-mails.



## Using Railroads



State Legislative Redistricting Subcommittee  
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### Today's Schedule

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Wednesday  
October 2021

TV 24/7

LIVE STREAMS

- 01:00 pm • WATCH NOW »  
House State Legislative Redistricting Subcommittee  
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- 02:30 pm • WATCH NOW »  
House Congressional Redistricting Subcommittee  
Live Streams Live
- 03:00 pm •  
House PreK-12 Appropriations Subcommittee  
Live Streams Live
- 04:30 pm

All committee meetings, as well as meetings of the full House and Senate can be streamed live at <http://www.thefloridachannel.org> by choosing the “Live Streams” tab and the selecting the meeting you would like to watch.

The stream will begin 10 minutes before the meeting is scheduled to start.

Prefer to watch on your phone? There is a Florida Channel app that will allow you watch livestreams as well as archived videos.



We know that most of our members are unable to watch the meetings live. You can also search the Florida Channel website by entering the name of the committee you are looking for and/or the date of the meeting.

Videos are typically posted within a few hours of the conclusion of the meeting.

SEARCH TFC:

When searching for a date, please use m/d/y.

Session", "state of the state" or "House Session".

education committee

SUGGESTIONS

10/19/21 House Appropriations Committee

10/12/21 House Education & Employment Committee

10/12/21 Senate Committee on Education

TFC News Brief – 9/22/21

... Environmental Protection told a House committee that the state will ...

9/21/21 Senate Committee on Education

TFC News Brief – 9/8/21

... condo collapse.The Credentials Review Committee met for the first ...

9/8/21 Florida Credentials Review Committee

9/1/21 Florida Board of Governors Meeting

... Academic & Workforce AlignmentAcademic & Research Excellence CommitteeBudget & Finance CommitteeBoard of Gove...

8/31/21 Florida Board of Governors Meeting Part 2

... CommitteeAudit & Compliance CommitteeAcademic & Student Affairs CommitteeInnovation & Online CommitteeNominatio...

8/31/21 Florida Board of Governors Meeting Part 1

Strategic Planning Committee

9/18 Senate

2021

STREAMS

02:30 pm

House State Legislative Redistricting Subcommittee

Live Streams

Live

01:00 pm

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02:30 pm

House Congressional Redistricting Subcommittee

Using

The Suwannee River is an illustration of how county boundaries follow the river.

Columbia, Hamilton, Suwannee, Lafayette, Levy, Gilchrist and Dixie counties all share the Suwannee River as part of their respective county boundary.

