



2024 LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD

“The Liberty Index”



The Republican Liberty Caucus is a national grassroots organization working to advance the principles of individual rights, limited government, free markets, and personal freedom and responsibility.

For more than thirty years the Republican Liberty Caucus (RLC) has been the strongest, most consistent voice for these principles within the Republican Party. Many Republicans talk about these principles, but the RLC has taken the lead in promoting Liberty candidates and advocating for Liberty legislation. We believe that less government means more liberty and we work through state and local chapters, and with our member activists all over the country to oppose government excess and demand accountability to the American people and the Constitution.

The Republican Liberty Caucus of Florida (RLCFL) believes in educating the voters of Florida on the legislative process and we feel it is important that you know how legislators voted on key issues of liberty. We put together a cross-section of legislation to provide you with the most comprehensive look into how you might evaluate your representation in Tallahassee. Holding our elected officials accountable is our primary responsibility as citizens. We hope that you will use this scorecard as a tool to do exactly that.

Introduction

Personal Liberty, Limited Government, Free Markets! These are the principles that guide us in establishing our “Legislative Agenda” of bills that we either support or oppose. The Republican Liberty Caucus of Florida (RLCFL) has always been active in advocating for liberty in the Florida legislature. Early in the session we hosted our “Liberty Lobby Days” event where members from all over the state came to Tallahassee to meet with legislators to promote our legislative agenda. This year’s event was our most successful to date with more than seventy of our members from all corners of Florida descending on Tallahassee to promote our agenda!



Legislators know where we stand on liberty issues like limited government, fiscal conservatism, tax cuts, deregulation, parental rights, and gun rights. We expect them to vote accordingly. This is where our legislative scorecard comes into play. As the conscience of the Republican Party, holding Republican legislators accountable for their votes is a top priority. As part of our mission, we have a candidate endorsement process to identify which candidates are dedicated to principles of personal liberty, limited government, and individual freedom. Our legislative scorecard is an important indicator as we decide on which candidates to support.

We have completed our analysis of the 2024 legislative session. The results are included in our legislative scorecard below which includes a letter grade for each chamber. Our grading system is based on how our selected “liberty bills” advanced through their respective chambers and onto eventual passage.

For additional information about the Republican Liberty Caucus of Florida, including finding a local chapter near you, please visit our website at rlcfl.org.

Thank You!

In Liberty!

Bob White
Chairman, Republican Liberty Caucus of Florida

Criteria for Choosing Legislation

Legislation was selected for this scorecard based on the principles of limited government and individual liberty. Legislation that contained unnecessary spending, corporate welfare, growth of government bureaucracy or unequal enforcement of the law was deemed negative legislation. Positive legislation included bills that protected the right to defend oneself, private property rights, promoted free markets and allowing for private sector solutions. Legislation that did not change policy in any way, regardless of the public perception of the legislation, was not included. We found several pieces of legislation that appeared to be either positive or negative on the surface. However, after in-depth analysis and comparison to current policy or other extenuating circumstances, the legislation had a negligible potential effect and, in some cases, we felt the legislation was addressing the wrong issue.

Methodology

The 2024 legislative session was extremely disappointing from a “Liberty” perspective. In preparing our scorecard we have always selected twenty pieces of liberty legislation, either pro or anti liberty, which made it through committees and onto the floor for a vote in both chambers. This allowed for every republican member of the house and senate to be scored based on how they voted on these twenty bills. Each bill being worth 5 points for a potential total score of 100.

The profound lack of leadership on liberty issues this year in both chambers made it impossible to find the necessary twenty bills. It is not that there were not bills filed that would have qualified as liberty bills. There were plenty of bills filed that would protect gun rights, bolster election security, protect health freedom and reign in government activism. The problem is that in many cases leadership blocked this important legislation from being considered. This has resulted in an entirely new methodology being developed for scoring the performance of the Florida legislature for the 2024 session. Hopefully, this will be an aberration for this year, and we will be able to return to the traditional scoring system for the 2025 session.

Instead of scoring each individual member, this new methodology scores each “chamber” based on a combination of 20 bills that were either considered or should have been considered. Some bills made it to the floor, some made it through some of their committee stops but not to the floor, and some were not considered at all. Each of the twenty bills received 1 point for each committee it was heard in up to a total of 3 points. A bill that made it to the floor received a total of 5 points, including any points for committee hearings. Bills that were not considered at all received 0 points.

The results are in, and they are NOT pretty! Both chambers earned a FAILING grade. The House scored a 50 and the Senate a 32, out of a possible 100 points. In a word ... PATHETIC! A detailed synopsis of the bills being scored in each chamber and how many points were awarded for each bill is included for your review. To be fair to the members, we have also included an “honorable mention” list of individual members from each chamber that sponsored or cosponsored the RLCs priority bills. These bills were included in our 2024 Legislative Agenda. For additional information on how individual members typically vote you can still access our past scorecards from the 2021, 2022 and 2023 legislative sessions. You will find those scorecards through the slider feature on the home page of our website, rlcfl.org.

2024 House Scorecard (20 Bills)

Final Score: 50 (F)

Election Integrity (5 Bills)

[HB 135](#) by Rep. Gossett-Seidman and Rep. Caruso. **Voting Registration Applications.** This bill prevents party affiliation changes from occurring without the knowledge of the voter and places special emphasis on registration or update of registration at the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 135 passed three committees and passed the House.

Points: 5

[HB 919](#) by Rep. Rizo. **Use of Artificial Intelligence in Political Advertising. SUPPORTED**

This bill mandates that any political advertisements, including electioneering communications that utilize generative AI to create content, must prominently include a disclaimer stating it was created using AI. The bill would also authorize the filing of complaints regarding violations with the Florida Elections Commission and would require expedited hearing procedures for such complaints.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 919 passed three committees and passed the House.

Points: 5

[HB 359](#) by Rep. Jacques and Rep. Yarkosky. **Voting Systems.** Gives the Board of county commissioners the option to count ballots by hand at the precinct level. Also requires the Department of State to not approve voting systems from foreign countries and voting systems programs, software, etc. must be made available to the public 3 months before use in elections.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 359 was referred to two committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

[HB 1101](#) by Rep. Melo. **Forms of Identification.** This bill would expand the acceptable forms of ID to register to vote, including; a US passport, identification cards issued by a federally recognized tribal nation or Indian tribe, and United States Merchant Mariner Credential. This bill would also require driver licenses issued to drivers denote certain individuals as noncitizens if they are unable to prove citizenship status.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 1101 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

[HB 1669](#) by Rep. Roth. **Elections.** This bill requires the Department of State to adopt rules relating to election security and to create certain manuals. The bill authorizes PACs & political committees to have poll watchers and authorizes designated watchers for absentee vote processing locations. This bill provides requirements for printed ballots & voter certificate envelopes and requires retention of materials, and audits. HB 1669 also provides requirements for transportation & chain of custody for ballots; revises storage, identification, and signature verification requirements; provides requirements for absentee vote processing workers; revises county

canvassing board composition, authorizes removal from office of supervisor of elections; revises requirements for recounts; provides criminal penalties.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 1669 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

Firearms (6 Bills)

[HB 17](#) by Rep. Rudman. **Expiration of the Mandatory Waiting Period for Firearms Purchases.**

This bill would shorten the mandatory waiting period for gun buyers to acquire a firearm from a licensed seller. Currently, gun buyers are required to wait a minimum of three days, excluding weekends and holidays, or for the completion of a records check, before acquiring a firearm. The law states buyer must wait for “whichever occurs later.” HB 17 would reverse that law to “whichever occurs first”. That would mean if the background check has not come back within the 3-day period, the gun shop would have to sell the gun without the background check. Or, if the background check came back before the three-day period ended, the gun shop would have to sell the gun.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 17 passed two committees and passed on the floor.

Points: 5

[HB 1223](#) by Rep. Payne and Rep. Sirois. **Minimum Age for Firearm Purchase or Transfer.** This bill restores the minimum age from 21 to 18 for people to buy rifles and other long guns in Florida.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 1223 passed two committees and passed the House.

Points: 5

[HB 365](#) by Rep. Sirois. **Representation by Counsel in Hearings on Petitions for Risk Protection Orders.** The current Risk Protection Order (Red Flag) statute allows a respondent to be represented by a lawyer but denies a right to a court appointed lawyer if the respondent cannot afford one. This forces low-income people to have to represent themselves when faced with losing their second amendment rights. This bill provides for a court appointed counsel for an indigent respondent.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 365 passed two committees and was never brought up for a floor vote.

Points: 2

[HB 485](#) by Rep. Brackett and Rep. Barnaby. **Return of Weapons and Arms Following an Arrest.** Amends s. 790.08, F.S., to delete the requirement for a sheriff or chief of police to retain custody of all weapons or firearms seized incident to an arrest until after the trial of the person arrested. Instead, the bill requires a law enforcement agency to return any weapons or firearms that are taken from a person following an arrest, but that are not seized as evidence, upon request of the person arrested if her or she has been released from detention. If requesting the return of firearm, the person must successfully complete a criminal history background check confirming the person is not prohibited from possessing a firearm under state or federal law.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 485 passed two committees. HB 485 was substituted with Senate Companion SB 1286 and passed on the floor.

Points: 5

[HB 1619](#) by Rep. Beltran. **Carrying and Possession of Weapons and Firearms.** This bill will allow citizens to conceal carry or open carry without a permit. This bill also repeals the following gun-free zones: College or university facility; any school, college, or professional athletic event; any career center. Also repeals the “Temporary Ex Parte Risk Protection Order” contained in Florida Statute 790.401 and tightens the criteria for the Court to issue a Risk Protection Order and provides for a court-appointed counsel for an indigent person.
RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 1619 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

[HB 1615](#) by Rep. Gregory and Rep. Sirois. **Restrictions on Firearms and Ammunition During Emergencies.** This bill restores our gun rights during a public emergency. This bill repeals Florida Statute 870.044 which prohibited; the sale of, or offer to sell, with or without consideration, any ammunition or gun or other firearm of any size or description; the intentional display, after the emergency is declared, by or in any store or shop of any ammunition or gun or other firearm of any size or description; the intentional possession in a public place of a firearm by any person, except a duly authorized law enforcement official or person in military service acting in the official performance of her or his duty.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 1615 passed three committees and passed the House.

Points: 5

Medical Freedom (3 Bills)

[HB 459](#) by Rep. Rudman. **Declarations of a Public Health Emergency.** Currently, Florida law (Florida Statute 381.00315) allows the state Health Officer to order an individual to be examined, tested, vaccinated, treated, isolated, or quarantined during public health emergencies. Bill attempts to reduce some of the government overreach contained in this statute, such as HB 459 prohibits the State Health Officer from issuing a blanket closure on government buildings and services, churches, and altering election procedures and protocols. Bill also provide that the administration of vaccines is not included in the terms “treat”, “treated” or “treatment”.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 459 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

[HB 1623](#) by Rep. Beltran. **Emergencies.** This bill limits the length of time for an executive or emergency order issued by the Governor to not more than 60 days, requiring legislative approval for renewal of emergencies for no more than an additional 30 days at a time. This bill provides just compensation where applicable to commandeered property during any such proclaimed health emergency. This bill seeks to limit any infringement on individual rights and liberties to the greatest extent possible as per Art. 1 of the State Constitution including in educational and business settings. This bill removes the mandate to use the method and procedures of the Federal Government during any public health emergency and removes the ability to quarantine, isolate, or otherwise treat an individual without a due process hearing and must adopt rules for imposing and releasing an isolation or a quarantine. This bill limits the powers of F.S. 381.00315 as provided in Art.1 of the State Constitution.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 1623 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

[HB 1535](#) by Rep. Plakon. **Protection of Medical Freedom.** This bill prohibits the Department of Health from requiring enrollment in the state's immunization registry or otherwise requiring persons to submit to immunization tracking. Bill prohibits business entities from requiring individuals to provide proof of vaccination or post-infection recovery from any communicable disease to gain access to, entry upon, or service from such entities as well as adding a person's vaccination and immunity status to the prohibited forms of discrimination by local housing assistance plans. Bill prohibits employers from refusing employment to, or discharging, disciplining, demoting, or otherwise discriminating against, an individual solely on the basis of vaccination or immunity status. Bill prohibit places of public accommodation from discriminating on the basis of vaccination or immunity status and prohibits the Department of Health from requiring, as a school-entry requirement, that children receive immunizations approved only for emergency use.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 1535 was referred to two committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

Regulations (6 Bills)

[HB 395](#) by Rep. Black and Rep. Barnaby. **Protection of Historical Monuments and Memorials.** This bill would hold any person or entity including local officials that destroy, deface, or remove any historical monument displayed on publicly owned property liable for their actions. The bill provides standing to bring civil actions and provides for removal of officials violating this law.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 395 was referred to three committees, passed the first committee and was never heard again.

Points: 1

[HB 901](#) by Rep. Borrero and Rep. Fine. **Display of Flags by Government Entities.** This bill would prohibit any governmental entity from flying a flag depicting a political viewpoint. They include but are not limited to, flags representing racial or sexual orientation, political ideology, and political partisans.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 901 was referred to two committees and passed the first committee and was never heard again.

Points: 1

[HB 435](#) by Rep. Sirois. **Cultivated Meat.** Makes it a criminal offense to manufacture, sell, hold, or distribute cultivated meat in Florida. Cultivated meat is the process of growing meat in a laboratory from animal cells chemicals and enzymes that can be formed into nuggets, cutlets, or other shapes. The US Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the federal Food and Drug Administration are pushing cultivated meat as part of the environmental, social and governance (ESG) movement.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 435 was referred to three committees, passed the first committee and was never heard again. The Senate passed SB 1084 Agriculture bill and included the prohibition on cultivated meat and SB 1084 passed the House.

Points: 5

[HB 401](#) by Rep. Overdorf. **Tracking Devices and Applications.** This bill prohibits the placement or use of tracking devices or tracking applications to determine the location or movement of another person or another person's property without that person's consent. A parent of a minor child is still allowed to use tracking devices or a caregiver of an elderly person or disabled adult.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 401 was referred to three committees and passed all three. **HB 401** was substituted with the Senate companion **SB 758** and passed on the floor.

Points: 5

[HB 1135](#) by Rep. Yarkosky and Rep. Bankson. **Lewd or Lascivious Grooming.** A person who engages in the process of preparing or encouraging a child to engage in sexual activity through overtly sexually themed communication with the child or in conduct with or observed by the child without permission from the child's parent or legal guardian commits lewd or lascivious grooming. A person 18 years of age or older who commits lewd or lascivious grooming commits a felony of the second degree.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 1135 was referred to three committees. **HB 1135** passed all three committees and was never heard on the floor.

Points: 3

[HB 57](#) by Rep. Salzman. **County Commissioner Term Limits.** This bill creates 8-year term limits for county commissioners in any county in which term limits are not imposed by a county charter.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

HB 57 was referred to three committees, passed all three and was never heard on the floor.

Points: 3

2024 Senate Scorecard 20 Bills

Final Score: 32 (F)

Election Integrity (6 Bills)

[SB 1256](#) by Sen. Martin. **Voting Registration Applications.** This bill prevents party affiliation changes from occurring without the knowledge of the voter and places special emphasis on registration or update of registration at the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 1256 was referred to three committees, passed all three. The Senate substituted House companion bill **HB 135** on the Senate floor and passed **HB 135**.

Points: 5

[SB 850](#) by Sen. Nick DiCeglie. **Use of Artificial Intelligence in Political Advertising.** This bill mandates that any political advertisements, including electioneering communications that utilize generative AI to create content, must prominently include a disclaimer stating it was created using AI. The bill would also authorize the filing of complaints regarding violations with the Florida Elections Commission and would require expedited hearing procedures for such complaints.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 850 was referred to two committees, passed both. SB 850 was substituted with House companion bill HB 919 and passed HB 919.

Points: 5

[SB 1752](#) by Sen. Ingoglia. **Elections.** This bill would have barred Florida from using any foreign voting system and would require the county canvassing board to conduct a manual count in certain precincts before certification of certain elections. This bill would have changed the eligibility of people who want to vote by mail in the state of Florida and request a mail-in ballot.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 1752 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

[SB 1168](#) by Sen. Gruters. **Forms of Identification.** This bill would have expanded the acceptable forms of ID to register to vote, including; passport card, identification card issued by a federally recognized tribal nation or Indian tribe, United States Merchant Mariner Credential.

This bill would have also required licenses issued to individuals who submitted any of the documents required must include "NC" to denote that such an individual is a noncitizen.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 1168 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

[SB 1602](#) by Sen. Gruters. **Elections.** This bill would have revised the information that the uniform statewide voter registration application must be designed to elicit from an applicant and must contain. This bill would have required the Department of State and supervisors of elections to verify certain information relating to citizenship status and requires certain voter registration applicants who have not previously voted in the state to provide certain identification before voting.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 1602 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

[SB 782](#) by Sen. Yarborough. **Election Board Composition.** This bill would have required Election Boards to be comprised of at least one member from each of the two major political parties.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 782 was referred to three committees. SB 782 passed the first committee and was never heard again.

Points: 1

Firearms (3 Bills)

[SB 1034](#) by Sen. Ingoglia. **Representation by Counsel in Hearings on Petitions for Risk Protection Orders.** The current Risk Protection Order (Red Flag) statute allows a respondent to be represented by a lawyer but denies a right to a court appointed lawyer if the respondent cannot afford one. This forces low-income people to have to represent themselves when faced with losing their second amendment rights. This bill would have provided for a court appointed counsel for an indigent respondent.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 1034 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

[SB 1286](#) by Sen. Collins. **Return of Weapons and Arms Following an Arrest.** This bill amends S. 790.08, F.S., to delete the requirement for a sheriff or chief of police to retain custody of all weapons or firearms seized incident to an arrest until after the trial of the person arrested. Instead, the bill requires a law enforcement agency to return any weapons or firearms that are taken from a person following an arrest, but that are not seized as evidence, upon request of the person arrested if her or she has been released from detention. If requesting the return of firearm, the person must successfully complete a criminal history background check confirming the person is not prohibited from possessing a firearm under state or federal law.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 1286 was referred to two committees, passed both committees and passed the Senate.

Points: 5

[SB 1124](#) by Sen. Martin. **Mandatory Waiting Period for Handgun Purchases.** This bill would have revised the mandatory 3-day waiting period to apply only to handguns, rather than to firearms.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 1124 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

Medical Freedom (4 Bills)

[SB 402](#) by Sen. Yarborough. **Declarations of a Public Health Emergency.** Currently, Florida law (Florida Statute 381.00315) allows the state Health Officer to order an individual to be examined, tested, vaccinated, treated, isolated, or quarantined during public health emergencies.

This bill would have reduced some of the government overreach contained in this statute.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 402 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

[SB 636](#) by Sen. Garcia. **Exemptions from Immunization Requirements.** This bill would have allowed all Floridians to claim an exemption from any vaccine requirement if certain safety criteria are not met. The bill targets vaccines required in both the public and private sector, such as a condition for employment, school attendance or any licensure, if the vaccine does not meet the following: The U.S. Food and Drug Administration trial must continue for at least one year after the vaccine was tested against a control group, which must receive a placebo or other FDA-approved vaccine. The Florida Department of Health must post all injuries potentially caused by the vaccine, and their occurrence rates. The risk of “permanent disability or death” must be proven to be less than the disease it is designed to fight against. The manufacturer must assume liability for death or injury caused by the vaccine, and any “design defect claims.” This bill would have allowed for the continuation of immunization exemptions for medical reasons and for exemptions due to religious tenets or practices.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 636 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

[SB 1094](#) by Sen. Martin. **Immunization Requirements.** This bill would have required the Department of Health to obtain approval of the Legislature to add any new immunizations to those required for school attendance. This

bill authorizes persons to claim an exemption from any immunization requirement if a vaccine fully approved by the Food and Drug Administration is not available to fulfill the requirement. This bill would have authorized a person to claim the exemption on one's own behalf or on behalf of one's child or dependent and prohibits employers, school districts, the department, and certain public entities from requiring a person to meet any other conditions to claim the exemption.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 1094 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

[SB 680](#) by Sen. Gruters. **Protection of Medical Freedom.** This bill would have prohibited the Department of Health from requiring enrollment in the state's immunization registry or otherwise requiring persons to submit to immunization tracking. This bill would have prohibited business entities from requiring individuals to provide proof of vaccination or post-infection recovery from any communicable disease to gain access to, entry upon, or service from such entities as well as adding a person's vaccination and immunity status to the prohibited forms of discrimination by local housing assistance plans. This bill would have prohibited employers from refusing employment to, or discharging, disciplining, demoting, or otherwise discriminating against, an individual solely on the basis of vaccination or immunity status. This bill would have prohibited places of public accommodation from discriminating on the basis of vaccination or immunity status and prohibits the Department of Health from requiring, as a school-entry requirement, that children receive immunizations approved only for emergency use.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 680 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

Regulations (6 Bills)

[SB 1122](#) by Sen. Martin and Sen. Yarborough. **Protection of Historical Monuments and Memorials.** This bill would have held any person or entity including local officials that destroy, deface, or remove any historical monument displayed on publicly owned property liable for their actions. This bill would have provided standing to bring civil actions and provides for removal of officials violating this law.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 1122 was referred to three committees, passed the first two and was never heard again.

Points: 2

[SB 1120](#) by Sen. Martin and Sen. Perry. **Display of Flags by Government Entities.** This bill would have prohibited any governmental entity from flying a flag depicting a political viewpoint. The bill included but is not limited to flags representing racial or sexual orientation, political ideology, and political partisans.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 1120 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0

[SB 586](#) by Sen. Yarborough. **Cultivated Meat.** This bill makes it a criminal offense to manufacture, sell, hold, or distribute cultivated meat in Florida. Cultivated meat is the process of growing meat in a laboratory from animal cells chemicals and enzymes that can be formed into nuggets, cutlets, or other shapes. The US Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the federal Food and Drug Administration are pushing cultivated meat as part of the environmental, social and governance (ESG) movement.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 586 was referred to three committees and was never heard. The prohibition on cultivated meat was added to **SB 1084** passed the Senate.

Points: 5

[SB 1238](#) by Sen. Martin. **Lewd or Lascivious Grooming**. This bill would have created a criminal offense for a person who engages in the process of preparing or encouraging a child to engage in sexual activity through overtly sexually themed communication with the child or in conduct with or observed by the child without permission from the child's parent or legal guardian commits lewd or lascivious grooming. This bill would have created a felony of the second degree for a person 18 years of age or older who commits lewd or lascivious grooming.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 1238 was referred to three committees. **HB 1238** passed the first committee and was never heard again.

Points: 1

[SB 438](#) by Sen. Ingoglia. **County Commissioner Term Limits**. This bill would have created 8-year term limits for county commissioners in any county in which term limits are not imposed by a county charter.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 438 was referred to three committees, passed all three and was not heard on the Floor.

Points: 3

[SB 758](#) by Sen. Martin. **Tracking Devices and Applications**. **SUPPORTED**

This bill prohibits the placement or use of tracking devices or tracking applications to determine the location or movement of another person or another person's property without that person's consent. A parent of a minor child is still allowed to use tracking devices or a caregiver of an elderly person or disabled adult.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 758 was referred to three committees and passed all three and was passed on the Floor.

Points: 5

TAXES (1 Bill)

[SB 1144](#) by Sen. DiCeglie. **Local Business Taxes**. This bill would have repealed Chapter 205 Florida Statute that allows local governments to levy business taxes.

RLCFL SUPPORTED

SB 1144 was referred to three committees and was never heard.

Points: 0



2024 Honorable Mention for the Florida House of Representatives

The following Republican Representatives were the sponsors of the RLCFL priority bills for the 2024 Legislative Session.

Special Honorable Mention to Rep. Tyler Sirois

Rep. Tyler Sirois D-31 sponsored 4 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 1223, HB 365, HB 1615, and HB 435

Rep. Mike Beltran D-70 sponsored 2 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 1619 and HB 1623.

Rep. Webster Barnaby D-29 sponsored 2 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 485 and HB 395.

Rep. Taylor Yarkosky D-25 sponsored 2 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 359 and HB 1135

Rep. Peggy Gossett-Seidman D-91 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 135

Rep. Mike Caruso D-87 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 135

Rep. Alex Rizo D-112 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 919

Rep. Bernie Jacques D-59 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 359

Rep. Lauren Melo D-82 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 1101

Rep. Rick Roth D-94 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 1669

Rep. Bobby Payne D-20 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 1223

Rep. Robbie Brackett D-34 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 485

Rep. Tommy Gregory D-72 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 1615

Rep. Rachel Plakon D-36 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 1535

Rep. Dean Black D-15 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 395

Rep. David Borrero D-111 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 901

Rep. Toby Overdorf D-85 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 401

Rep. Doug Bankson D-39 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 1135

Rep. Chip LaMarca D-100 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 697

Rep. Michelle Salzman D-1 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 57

Rep. Randy Fine D-33 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: HB 901

2024 Honorable Mention for the Florida Senate

The following Republican Senators were the sponsors of the RLCFL priority bills for the 2024 Legislative Session.

Special Honorable Mention to Senator Jonathan Martin

Sen. Jonathan Martin D-33 sponsored 7 of the RLCFL priority bills: SB 1256, SB 1124, SB 1094, SB 1122, SB 1120, SB 1238, and SB 758.

Sen. Clay Yarborough D-4 sponsored 4 of the RLCFL priority bills: SB 782, SB 402, SB 1122, and SB 586.

Sen. Balise Ingolia D-11 sponsored 3 of the RLCFL priority bills: SB 1752, SB 1034, and SB 438.

Sen. Joe Gruters D-22 sponsored 3 of the RLCFL priority bills: SB 1168, SB 1602, and SB 680

Sen. Nick DeCeglie D-18 sponsored 2 of the RLCFL priority bills: SB 850, and SB 1124

Sen. Jay Collins D-14 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: SB 1286

Sen. Ileana Garcia D-36 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: SB 636

Sen. Keith Perry D-9 sponsored 1 of the RLCFL priority bills: SB 1120

Thank you for taking the time to read our Liberty Index. We hope that you will find this helpful in evaluating the representation you received during the 2024 Florida legislative session.
