

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2024 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Rules

SM 226 — Florida National Guard

by Senator Wright

The memorial urges the Congress of the United States to impel the United States National Guard Bureau to review resource allocations to the Florida National Guard and allow an increase to the state's force structure.

The memorial requires the Secretary of State to dispatch copies to the President of the United States, President of the United States Senate, Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and each member of the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.

Vote: Senate Adopted; House Adopted

Committee on Rules

SB 276 — Review of Advisory Bodies

by Senator Avila

The bill requires each executive agency with an adjunct advisory body to annually upload a report by August 15 to the Florida Fiscal Portal website maintained by the Executive Office of the Governor. The report must identify the statutory authority for the advisory body, the purpose or objective of the advisory body, the information regarding the advisory body's membership, a list of the meeting dates and times for the preceding three fiscal years, a summary of the work plan for the current fiscal year and next two fiscal years, the amount of funds appropriated and staff time used each fiscal year, and a recommendation by the agency on whether to continue, terminate, or modify each advisory body.

The bill requires any law that creates or authorizes the creation of an advisory body to include a sunset review process wherein the advisory body's authority would repeal on October 2 of the third year after its enactment, unless saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect July 1, 2024.

Vote: Senate 39-0; House 113-0

Committee on Rules

HM 351 — Condemning the Emerging Partnership between the Chinese and Cuban Governments

by Rep. Porras and others (SM 540 by Senator Avila)

The memorial urges the United States Secretary of State to condemn the emerging partnership between the Chinese and Cuban Governments and the establishment of Chinese espionage and military capabilities in Cuba.

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SM 370 — Spaceports

by Senator Wright

The memorial urges members of Congress to add spaceports as a qualified tax-exempt category of private activity bonds.

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SM 800 — Foreign Polluters

by Senator Rodriguez

The memorial urges members of Congress to support solutions that examine the pollution differential between United States production and that of other countries and that hold foreign polluters accountable for their pollution.

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SM 1020 — Designation of Drug Cartels as Foreign Terrorist Organizations

by Senator Ingoglia

The memorial urges the United States Secretary of State to designate drug cartels as Foreign Terrorist Organizations so that the appropriate means may be initiated to mitigate and, eventually, eliminate their operations.

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Vote: Senate Adopted; House Adopted