

**The Florida Senate**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA**

**ETHICS AND ELECTIONS**  
**Senator Gaetz, Chair**  
**Senator Bernard, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Wednesday, January 28, 2026

**TIME:** 10:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

**PLACE:** Mallory Horne Committee Room, 37 Senate Building

**MEMBERS:** Senator Gaetz, Chair; Senator Bernard, Vice Chair; Senators Avila, Bradley, Garcia, Grall, Polsky, and Rouson

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	<b>SB 1622</b> Rodriguez (Identical H 1369)	Penalties for Late-filed Disclosures or Statements of Financial Interests; Prohibiting the assessment of a fine for a reporting person's first late filing of a disclosure or statement of financial interests if certain conditions are met, etc.  EE      01/28/2026 Favorable CA RC	Favorable Yeas 6 Nays 0

2	<b>SB 1178</b> Grall (Similar H 905)	Foreign Influence; Requiring agents of foreign countries of concern and foreign-supported political organizations to register with the Division of Elections; requiring periodic updates by such agents and organizations; defining the terms "designated foreign terrorist organization" and "foreign country of concern"; prohibiting a governmental entity from entering into certain contracts with certain entities owned or partially owned by foreign sources of concern or affiliated with a foreign country of concern, etc.  EE      01/28/2026 Fav/CS JU AP	Fav/CS Yeas 7 Nays 0
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<b>Senate Confirmation Hearing:</b> A public hearing will be held for consideration of the below-named executive appointments to the offices indicated.			
<b>St. Augustine-St. Johns County Airport Authority</b>			
3	Dedge, Gerald, Jr. (St. Augustine)	01/04/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
	Dipola, Mario (Ponte Vedra Beach)	01/01/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
	Primrose, Nicholas (St. Augustine)	01/01/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Greater Orlando Aviation Authority</b>			
4	James, Jason (Apopka)	04/16/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0

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<b>Board of Trustees of Eastern Florida State College</b>			
5	Zonka, Kristine ()	05/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees of College of Central Florida</b>			
6	Juarez, Jose A. (Ocala)	05/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees of Lake-Sumter State College</b>			
7	Morris, Timothy (Leesburg)	05/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees of State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota</b>			
8	Deckard, Lon (Sarasota)	05/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees of Miami-Dade College</b>			
9	Bileca, Michael (Miami)	05/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
	Diaz, Jose Felix (Coral Gables)	05/31/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees of North Florida College</b>			
10	McWaters, Michael Steven (Live Oak)	05/31/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees of Palm Beach State College</b>			
11	Caruso, Tracy Lee ()	05/31/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees of Pasco-Hernando State College</b>			
12	Bell, Ralph E. (Brooksville)	05/31/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
	Wilson, Kirk E. (Brooksville)	05/31/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees of Polk State College</b>			
13	Lester, Charles S. ()	05/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
	Troutman, Ashley C. (Lakeland)	05/31/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees of Tallahassee State College</b>			
14	Brown, Monesia (Tallahassee)	05/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Tampa-Hillsborough County Expressway Authority</b>			
15	Powell, Cody (Riverview)	07/01/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0

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<b>Florida Inland Navigation District</b>			
16	Blow, John Carl (St. Augustine)	01/09/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
	Boehning, Stephen W. (Vero Beach)	01/09/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
	Davenport, James "Buddy" (New Smyrna Beach)	01/09/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
	Morgan, Thomas A. (Cocoa)	01/09/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Tampa Port Authority</b>			
17	Conner, William Theodore (Tampa)	11/25/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Florida Prepaid College Board</b>			
18	Bayliss, Slater (Tallahassee)	06/30/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Florida Transportation Commission</b>			
19	Lastra, Alex (Miami)	09/30/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, Florida A &amp; M University</b>			
20	Crossman, John M. (Orlando)	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, Florida Atlantic University</b>			
21	McCleneghen, Joseph Scott (Boca Raton)	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
	Stilley, Samantha (Jupiter)	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, Florida State University</b>			
22	Weisheyer, Timothy (Orlando)	01/06/2030	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, New College of Florida</b>			
23	Karp, Lance (Sarasota)	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, Florida Polytechnic University</b>			
24	Peace, Eliot B. ()	07/15/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, University of South Florida</b>			
25	Griffin, Michael E. (Tampa)	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Nays 0

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<b>Board of Trustees, University of West Florida</b>			
26	Patel, Kashane Jay (Pensacola)	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Days 0
	Perkins-Gilley, Janice (Molino)	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 6 Days 0

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