

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

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

**MEETING DATE:** Monday, February 23, 2026  
**TIME:** 4:00—6:00 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	OFFICE and APPOINTMENT (HOME CITY)	FOR TERM ENDING	COMMITTEE ACTION
<b>Senate Confirmation Hearing:</b> A public hearing will be held for consideration of the below-named executive appointments to the offices indicated.			
<b>Secretary of Health Care Administration</b>			
1	Harris, Shevaun ( )	Pleasure of Governor	Recommend Confirm Yeas 7 Nays 1
<b>Secretary of Children and Families</b>			
2	Hatch, Taylor N. ( )	Pleasure of Governor	Temporarily Postponed
<b>Florida Public Service Commission</b>			
3	Ortega, Ana (Tallahassee)	01/01/2030	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Payne, Robert Bruce (Palatka)	01/01/2030	Recommend Confirm Yeas 7 Nays 0
<b>Public Employees Relations Commission</b>			
4	Aaron, Jeffrey (Maitland)	01/01/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 5 Nays 3
<b>Director and Chief Judge, Division of Administrative Hearings</b>			
5	Schwartz, Darren A. ( )	Pleasure of Governor	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Jacksonville Aviation Authority</b>			
6	Acosta-Rua, Fernando (Jacksonville)	09/30/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Barnett, Michelle (Jacksonville)	09/30/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Florida Athletic Commission</b>			
7	Suskey, Alan J. (Tallahassee)	09/30/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Vanlandingham, Cody ( )	09/30/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0

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<b>Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling</b>			
8	Kraus, Tanya ()	10/31/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	O'Brien, Alexandra L. (Tallahassee)	10/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Reed, Stacey L. (Santa Rosa Beach)	10/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Florida Commission on Community Service</b>			
9	Brodeur, Christina ()	09/14/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Cardoch, Lynette (Miami)	09/14/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Edwards, Stefanie Ink (Fort Myers)	09/14/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Flury, Michael ()	09/14/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Goff, Kristen Rhea (Santa Rosa Beach)	09/14/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Hays, Jessica ()	09/14/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Jefferson, Savannah Kelly (Tallahassee)	09/14/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Karlinsky, Autumn (Weston)	09/14/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Kerce, Samuel (Tallahassee)	09/14/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Kerner, David M. ()	09/14/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Killinger, Lori (Tampa)	09/14/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Puwalski, Jason ()	09/14/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Tuggerson, Katrina (Tallahassee)	09/14/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees of The College of the Florida Keys</b>			
10	Batty, Peter Edward (Key West) <b>(If Received)</b>	05/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Kertis, Edward John, Jr. (Key West) <b>(If Received)</b>	05/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees of Hillsborough Community College</b>			
11	Bunch, Stephen M. (Tampa) <b>(If Received)</b>	05/31/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0

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<b>Board of Trustees of Miami-Dade College</b>			
12	Smith, David () (If Received)	05/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees of Palm Beach State College</b>			
13	Kerner, David M. () (If Received)	05/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees of Tallahassee State College</b>			
14	Bayliss, Sara (Tallahassee) (If Received)	05/31/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Rees, Jonathan Jeffrey (Tallahassee) (If Received)	05/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Cosmetology</b>			
15	Bonyngne, Mayra (Orlando)	10/31/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Brauman, Michele ()	10/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Dentistry</b>			
16	Anderson, Marc ()	10/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Cherry, Bradley (Ponte Vedra Beach)	10/31/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Forrest, Andrew (Fort Lauderdale)	10/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Hill, Karyn (Parkland)	10/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Mallah, Jessica (Odessa)	10/31/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Marshall, Chadwick Justin (Fort Walton Beach)	10/31/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Traverso, Elizabeth K. ()	10/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	White, Nicholas (Winter Park)	10/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Employee Leasing Companies</b>			
17	Day, Donald L. (Orlando)	10/31/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Evans, Brian R. ()	10/31/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Gonzalez, Ismael III (St. Augustine)	10/31/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Naylon, Christopher Patrick (Port Charlotte)	10/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0

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<b>Board of Professional Engineers</b>			
18	Albergo, Dylan (Tampa)	10/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Forehand, Christopher B. (Panama City)	10/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Mulock, Jeb (Bradenton)	10/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Shrader, Brock (Orlando)	10/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Temple, Richard J.A. (Tampa)	10/31/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Greater Miami Expressway Agency</b>			
19	Blanco, Richard, Jr. (Miami)	07/03/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Perez, Fatima (Miami-Dade)	07/03/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Florida Gaming Control Commission</b>			
20	Brown, Julie I. ()	01/01/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Cuderman, Peter ()	01/01/2030	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	D'Aquila, John M. ()	01/01/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Repp, Tina ()	01/01/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Spicola, William N. ()	01/01/2030	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Governors of the State University System</b>			
21	Barnett, Ashley B. (Winter Haven)	01/06/2033	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Lydecker, Charles Harvey (Ormond Beach)	01/06/2033	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Lukis, Ashley (Tallahassee)	01/06/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Sinatra, Nicholas A. (Tampa)	01/06/2033	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Florida Commission on Human Relations</b>			
22	Tapia, Jose ()	09/30/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Investment Advisory Council</b>			
23	Hosseini, Morteza "Mori" (Ormond Beach)	06/10/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Jones, Peter D. (Clearwater)	03/05/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0

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<b>Governor's Mansion Commission</b>			
24	Chaney, Ashley (Tallahassee)	09/30/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Jefferson, Savannah Kelly (Tallahassee)	09/14/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Medicine</b>			
25	Balaji, Gobivenkata (Satellite Beach)	10/31/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Derick, Amy ()	10/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Diamond, David A. (Winter Park)	10/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Gross, Lee (Port Charlotte)	10/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Hunter, Patrick ()	10/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Justice, Nicole (Valrico)	10/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Littell, John (Ocala)	10/31/2028	Temporarily Postponed
	Sargeant, Deborah A. (Gulf Stream)	10/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Nursing</b>			
26	Becker, Deborah (The Villages)	10/31/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Mueller, Christine (Sunrise)	10/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Roster, Fidelia Herrera (Palm Coast)	10/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Schafer, Patricia P. (Ocala)	10/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Wages, Jennifer (Panama City)	10/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Wolf, Lindsay (Julington Creek)	10/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Osteopathic Medicine</b>			
27	Reid-Paul, Theresa S. (Fort Lauderdale)	10/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Rooney, Derek Patrick, Jr. ()	10/31/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Pharmacy</b>			
28	Hickman, Jonathan M. (Tallahassee)	10/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Mikhael, Mark W. (Seminole)	10/31/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0

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	West, Stephen "Ryan" (Tallahassee)	10/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Tampa Port Authority</b>			
29	Carrere, Christopher M. (Tampa)	11/15/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Directors, Prison Rehabilitative Industries and Diversified Enterprises, Inc.</b>			
30	Baiardi, James ()	09/30/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Banks, Kimberly S. (Tallahassee)	09/30/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Clemmons, Marvin Walker (Pensacola)	09/30/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Collura, Gino (Dade City)	09/30/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Garey, Alan L. (Pompano Beach)	09/30/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Godwin, Cory ()	09/30/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Kilcrease, David E. ()	09/30/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Stutler, Denver J., Jr. (Sarasota)	09/30/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Upchurch, James R. (Tallahassee)	09/30/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Whitehurst, John Willis ()	09/30/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Florida Real Estate Commission</b>			
31	Price, Kelly (Winter Park)	10/31/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Renna, Patricia (Palm City)	10/31/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Directors, Space Florida</b>			
32	Bocchino, Matthew (St. Augustine)	09/30/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Keiser, Belinda (Parkland)	09/30/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Thomas, Tim ()	09/30/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Florida Transportation Commission</b>			
33	Good, John (Winter Park)	09/30/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Howse, Ronald S. (Cocoa)	09/30/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0

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	Nash, Thomas C. II (Clearwater)	09/30/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Roberts, Russell (Longwood)	09/30/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Governing Board of the Northwest Florida Water Management District</b>			
34	Morgan, Tom (Apalachicola)	03/01/2027	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Roberts, George A. (Panama City)	03/01/2030	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District</b>			
35	Roman, Charlette I. (Marco Island)	03/01/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Spottswood, Robert A., Jr. (Key West)	03/01/2030	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Governing Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District</b>			
36	Aungst, Brian J., Jr. (Clearwater)	03/01/2026	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, Florida A &amp; M University</b>			
37	Harris, Roderick ()	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Jones, Kenneth P. (Evanston) <b>(If Received)</b>	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Shah, Prerak () <b>(If Received)</b>	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Vazquez, Raphael (Tallahassee)	01/06/2030	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Young, Victor (Tampa)	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, Florida Atlantic University</b>			
38	Mersch, Thomas F., Jr. (Boca Raton)	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Stoch, Linda (Palm Beach Gardens)	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, University of Central Florida</b>			
39	Martins, Alexander (Winter Park)	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, Florida Gulf Coast University</b>			
40	Drzymala, James ()	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Fogg, Joseph G. III (Naples)	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0

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	Perry, Sarah Parshall (Arlington)	01/06/2030	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Rommel, Robert G. (Naples)	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	VanOort, Douglas M. (Naples)	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Youngquist, Sandra Stilwell (Fort Myers) <b>(If Received)</b>	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, Florida International University</b>			
41	McDowell, W. Patrick (Miami Beach) <b>(If Received)</b>	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Voccola, Fred (Miami-Dade) <b>(If Received)</b>	01/06/2028	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, New College of Florida</b>			
42	Meyer, Urban F. (Sarasota) <b>(If Received)</b>	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, Florida Polytechnic University</b>			
43	Bassett, Christine () <b>(If Received)</b>	06/30/2029	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Beelaert, Jeffrey (Boise) <b>(If Received)</b>	06/30/2030	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Harrell, Jack R. III (Lakeland) <b>(If Received)</b>	06/30/2030	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Kincart, Robert O. (Lakeland) <b>(If Received)</b>	07/15/2030	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, University of Florida</b>			
44	Heavener, James W. (Winter Park) <b>(If Received)</b>	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, University of North Florida</b>			
45	Hudson, Andrew (Arlington) <b>(If Received)</b>	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Mayo, Michael Alan (Jacksonville) <b>(If Received)</b>	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
<b>Board of Trustees, University of South Florida</b>			
46	Donelly, Rogan (Sarasota)	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Mizelle, Chad () <b>(If Received)</b>	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0
	Williams, Andrea Gonzmart () <b>(If Received)</b>	01/06/2031	Recommend Confirm Yeas 8 Nays 0

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