

The Florida Senate  
**COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA**  
**MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, SPACE, AND  
 DOMESTIC SECURITY**  
**Senator Wright, Chair**  
**Senator Harrell, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, October 19, 2021  
**TIME:** 8:30—10:00 a.m.  
**PLACE:** *Mallory Horne Committee Room, 37 Senate Building*

**MEMBERS:** Senator Wright, Chair; Senator Harrell, Vice Chair; Senators Burgess, Cruz, Gibson, Rodriguez, and Torres

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	Presentation by Terrance McCaffrey, Col, USAF (Ret), MPA, Vice President, Military and Defense Programs, Enterprise Florida, on the Florida Defense Support Task Force		Presented
2	Presentation by Kellie Jo Kilberg, Chair, Florida Defense Alliance		Presented

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# Florida's Support of Military and Defense

Senate Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security  
October 19, 2021



# Florida's Military Presence

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- 20+ major military installations
- Defense contributions to state economy:
  - \$94.9 Billion annual impact from military and defense business presence
  - 914,787 direct and indirect jobs
  - State's largest and most resilient economic driver
- Optimum training environment; extensive ranges

# Major Military Bases In Florida

## Florida's Military Installations, Missions, and Key Organizations



# Who's Who: Veterans, National Guard, and Military and Defense

## Veterans



Total Veterans  
\*all components, retirees  
(1.5 million)



## National Guard



Army & Air  
National Guard  
(13,000+)

## Military/Defense



21 Major  
Military Bases  
(AD 65,000+)  
(Reserve 24,500+)



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# **The Florida Model - Support of Military and Defense:**

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- Florida Defense Alliance (FDA)
- Florida Defense Support Task Force (FDSTF)
- Defense Grant Programs
- Governor's Base Commanders Meetings

# Florida Defense Alliance

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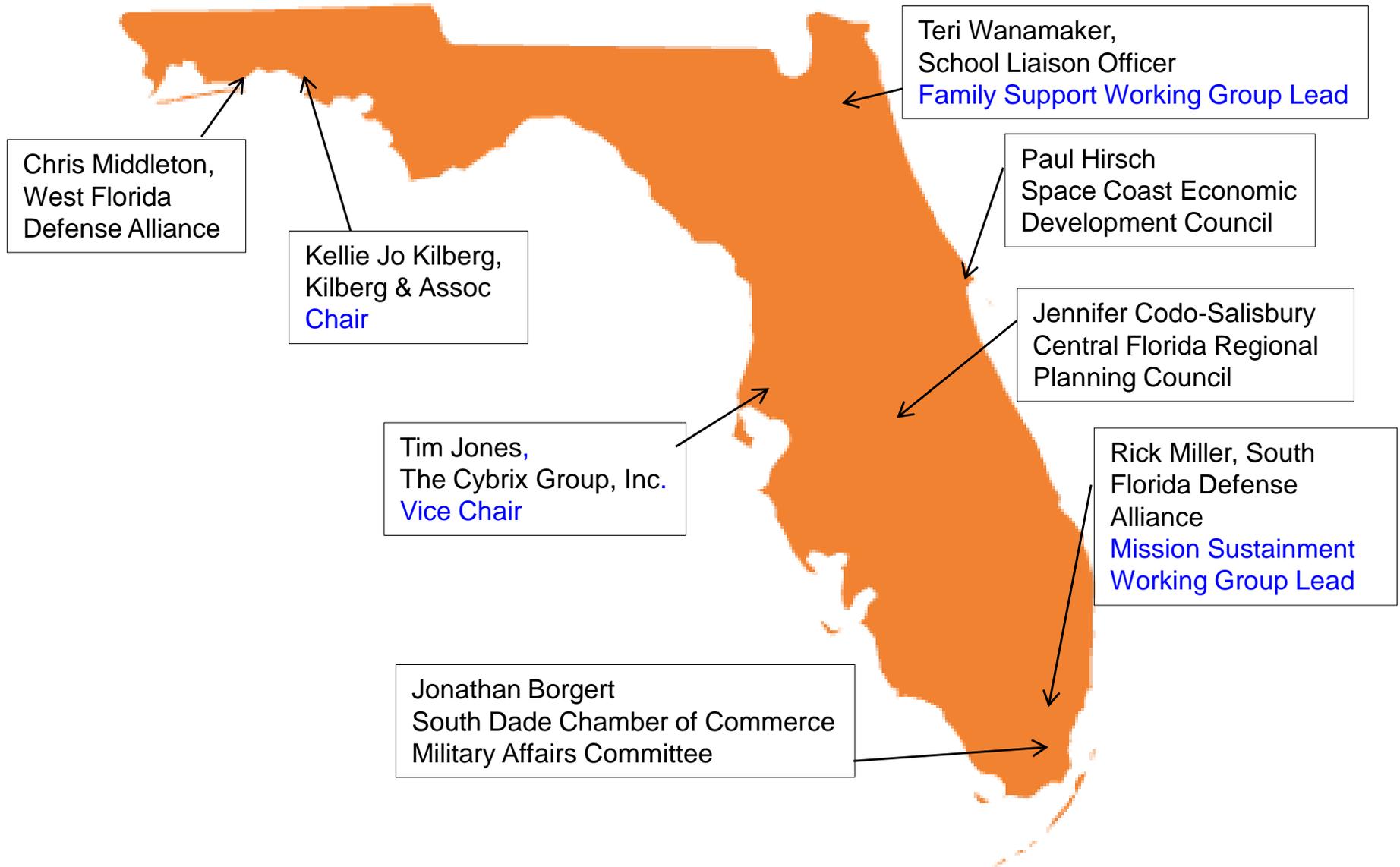
Created in 1998 - Authority & Purpose (from F.S. 288.980):

The FDA is the organization to ensure that Florida, its resident military bases and missions, and its military host communities are in competitive positions as the United States continues its defense realignment, and base structure adjustments, as well as efforts with the defense industrial base. The defense alliance shall serve as an overall advisory body for defense-related activities of Enterprise Florida, Inc.

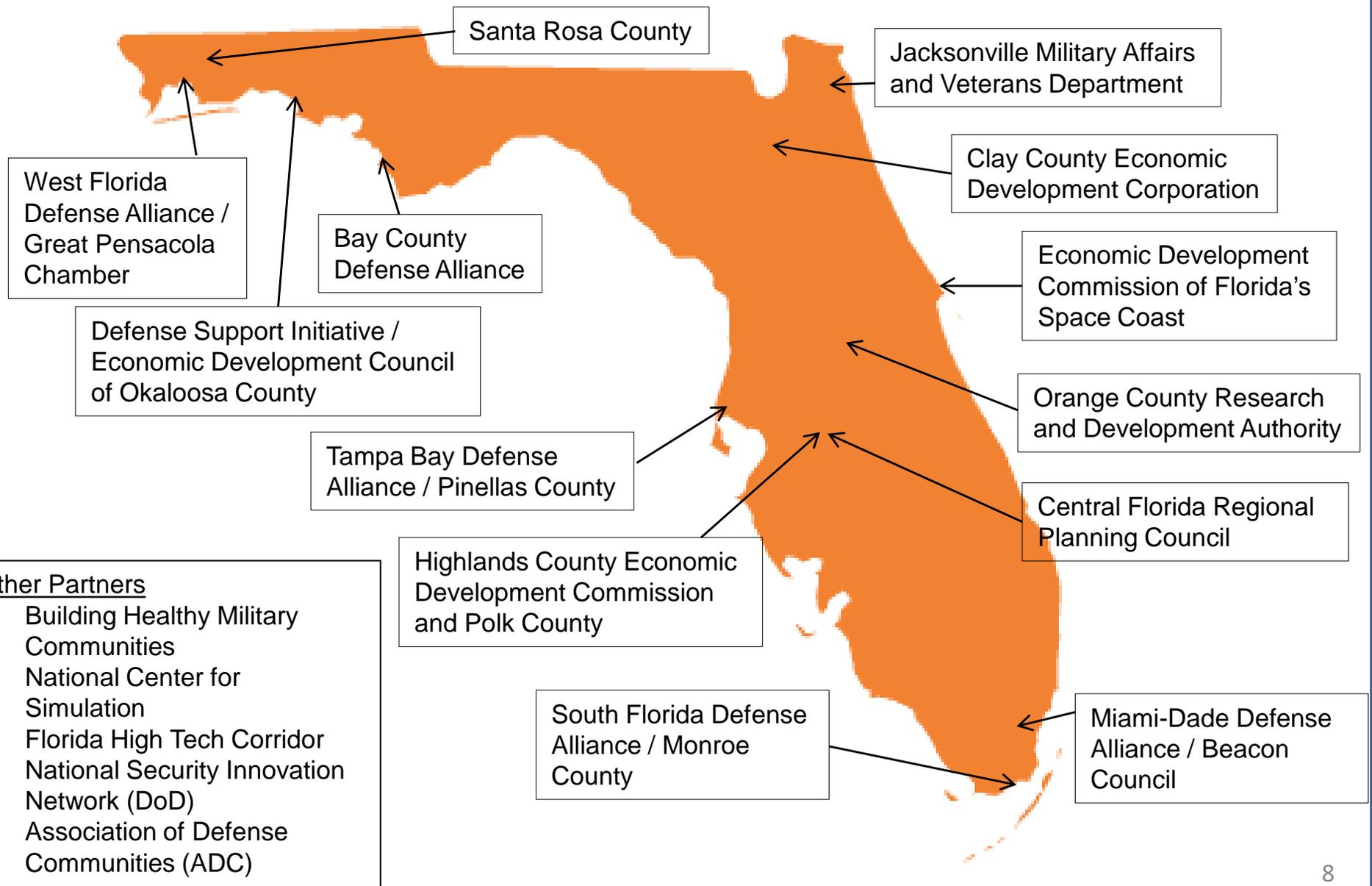
## Mission:

- The FDA identifies and coordinates the plans, engagement and public awareness necessary to provide statewide leadership and support to defense related people, installations and missions throughout Florida.

# Florida Defense Alliance Executive Board Members



# Defense Alliances / Partners



# Florida Defense Support Task Force

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Created in 2011 – F.S. 288.987, Replaced the Florida Council on Military Bases and Mission Support. Sunshine exemption – F.S. 288.985.

- Make recommendations to preserve, protect and enhance Florida's military missions and installations
- Increase the defense industry in Florida
- Strengthen state support for education, health care, employment, and family programs for service members, families, retirees and businesses that bring military-related jobs to the state

# Florida Defense Support Task Force Members

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- Senator Tom Wright – **Chair** – Senate
- Mr. Tom Neubauer – **Vice Chair** – Senate
- Representative Thad Altman – House
- RADM Stan Bozin, USN (ret) – Governor
- The Honorable Thomas Bowman – Senate
- Brig Gen Chip Diehl, USAF (ret) – House
- Representative Wyman Duggan – House
- Maj Gen James O. Eifert, USAF (TAG) – Governor’s Representative
- Maj Gen Richard “Beef” Haddad, USAF (ret) – Senate
- Col James Heald, USAF (ret) – House
- CAPT Keith Hoskins, USN (ret) – Governor



**Notes:**

**Chair rotates between  
Senate and House  
annually on July 1<sup>st</sup>**

# Advantage Florida: Military Benefits Guide

## ADVANTAGE FLORIDA MILITARY BENEFITS GUIDE

A Summary of Sunshine State Laws, Policies, Programs  
and Benefits for Active Duty, National Guard and Reserve  
Servicemembers, Veterans, Retirees and Families



2021-22 For the most up to date version, please visit: <https://www.enterpriseflorida.com/military-defense/>



# Florida Defense Industry Economic Impact Analysis



# **Difference: FDA and Task Force**

## **Florida Defense Alliance**

- Volunteer representatives from local defense communities
- Support bases and solve base issues with the community
- Bring the perspective of local communities together to advise state level representatives of the community view
- Share and advise best practices and identify common problems where state-level action would be appropriate

## **Florida Defense Support Task Force**

- State-level appointees with military, legislative, and business experience; working on state level issues; provide grants
- Promote FL bases at national level; address base issues; support state level military friendly legislation
- Maintain statewide perspective on all military issues

# **Defense Grant Programs**

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## **Military Base Protection Program**

- Secures non-conservation lands to buffer Military Installations from incompatible development
- DEO collects, EFI prioritizes, Task Force approves tiered list
- Unfunded since 2014

## **Defense Reinvestment Grant**

- Focuses on supporting defense-dependent communities' programs that assist military installations / enhance robust capabilities
- Currently funded at \$800K – Administered by DEO

## **Defense Infrastructure Grants**

- Focuses on local (off base) infrastructure programs deemed to have positive impact on Military installation
- Currently funded at \$1.6M – Administered by DEO

## **Florida Defense Support Task Force Grant Program**

- Focuses on encroachment and defense support projects / studies
- Currently funded at \$2M – Administered by EFI

# **Example FY21-22 Defense Grants**

## **Defense Reinvestment Grant**

- \$70,000 – promote, protect, and develop initiatives in the Tampa Bay area to grow defense simulation industry and employment
- \$90,000 – continue efforts to bring shipbuilding and maintenance programs to Naval Station Mayport and gain nuclear aircraft carrier

## **Defense Infrastructure Grants**

- \$250,000 – provide needed repairs to the Tyndall Air Force Base and Mexico Beach water supply from Hurricane Michael
- \$300,000 – continue easement purchases around Naval Air Station Whiting Field to provide critical buffer zones

## **Defense Support Task Force (Grants & Contracts)**

- \$500,000 – matches \$1,500,000 in Federal REPI funding for restrictive easements to buffer Naval Station Mayport
- \$189,950 – FL Range Modeling / Defense Economic Impact Study

# M&D Enduring Priorities

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- Prevent encroachment / incompatible development that may limit military operations
- Gulf Range Protection and Enhancement
- Influence Pentagon decisions on missions and basing
- Enhancing military family quality of life
  - Spousal employment
  - Schools
- Installation resiliency

# M&D Focus for 2022

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- Gain Space Force Missions / Space National Guard in Florida
- Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) Extension
- Increase Florida's education rating on USAF scorecard
  - FDOE completed Florida Education Report to the USAF
  - 2021 USAF scorecard does not reflect Florida's real value
- Support MacDill AFB KC-135 to KC-46 Transition
- Ensure Tyndall rebuild / F-35 bed down remains on track
- Determine / increase installation resiliency
- Increase defense related industry / contracts in Florida



# Questions or Comments?



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# CourtSmart Tag Report

Room: SB 37

Case No.:

Type:

Caption: Senate Military and Veterans Affairs, Space and Domestic Security

Judge:

Started: 10/19/2021 8:32:10 AM

Ends: 10/19/2021 9:41:21 AM Length: 01:09:12

8:32:08 AM Meeting called to order by Chair Wright  
8:32:13 AM Roll Call by CAA, Lois Graham  
8:32:26 AM Quorum announced  
8:32:29 AM Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Gibson  
8:32:53 AM Chair Wright with opening comments  
8:33:16 AM Tab 1 - Presentation by Terrance McCaffrey, Col. USAF (Ret), MPA, Vice President, Military Defense Programs, Enterprise Florida, on the Florida Defense Support Task Force  
8:33:32 AM Col. Terrance McCaffrey presents  
8:35:14 AM Kellie Jo Kilberg, Chair, Florida Defense Alliance, speaks  
8:35:42 AM Col. McCaffrey continues presentation  
8:43:43 AM Kellie Jo Kilberg presents  
8:51:23 AM Col. McCaffrey presents  
8:57:46 AM Kellie Jo Kilberg presents  
9:01:32 AM Col. McCaffrey presents  
9:12:37 AM Senator Harrell with question  
9:12:49 AM Col. McCaffrey responds  
9:16:09 AM Chair Wright with comments  
9:16:19 AM Kellie Jo Kilberg with comments  
9:16:59 AM Senator Harrell with question  
9:17:57 AM Col. McCaffrey responds  
9:20:33 AM Kellie Jo Kilberg with comments  
9:22:24 AM Senator Cruz with question  
9:22:32 AM Col. McCaffrey responds  
9:24:05 AM Senator Cruz with follow-up  
9:24:11 AM Col. McCaffrey responds  
9:25:40 AM Kellie Jo Kilberg with comments  
9:26:33 AM Col. McCaffrey with comments  
9:26:56 AM Senator Gibson with question  
9:27:21 AM Col. McCaffrey responds  
9:29:11 AM Senator Gibson with follow-up  
9:29:22 AM Col. McCaffrey responds  
9:30:09 AM Senator Gibson with question  
9:30:16 AM Col. McCaffrey responds  
9:30:31 AM Senator Gibson with question  
9:30:37 AM Col. McCaffrey responds  
9:31:36 AM Senator Gibson with comments  
9:31:41 AM Col. McCaffrey responds  
9:33:10 AM Kellie Jo Kilberg with comments  
9:34:30 AM Senator Gibson with follow-up  
9:34:38 AM Col. McCaffrey responds  
9:36:35 AM Senator Gibson with follow-up  
9:36:47 AM Col. McCaffrey responds

**9:38:02 AM** Kellie Jo Kilberg with comments  
**9:39:02 AM** Chair Wright with comments  
**9:39:23 AM** Col. McCaffrey with comments  
**9:39:37 AM** Chair Wright with question  
**9:39:44 AM** Col. McCaffrey responds  
**9:40:31 AM** Chair Wright with comments  
**9:40:48 AM** Senator Harrell moves to adjourn  
**9:41:09 AM** Meeting adjourned