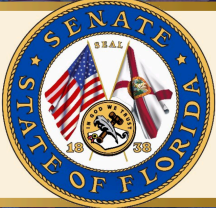






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# The Arrington Articles

## *Special Session F Recap*

Hello <<First Name>>,

The Legislature reconvened this week for another Special Session at the Governor’s call to consider a proposed constitutional amendment on property taxes. The proposal moved through the process on an expedited timeline with limited public input, raising concerns from local governments, school districts, and community advocates about the long-term impact on essential services and local revenues.

As the amendment now heads to the November ballot for voters to decide, below is a breakdown of the proposal and what it could mean for Florida communities.

**PARA ESPAÑOL**

**Weekly Question**

*Do you think Florida is doing enough to address the affordable housing crisis?*

**Yes**

**No**

## **Property Tax Amendment**

The proposal passed through the legislature varies slightly from the Governor's initial proposal. Below is a look at the proposal, that will be placed on the ballot.

This proposal will be on the 2026 ballot, which falls on Tuesday November 3rd.

### Key Provisions

- Increases Florida's homestead exemption to **\$150,000 in 2027**, then to **\$250,000 in 2028**
- Directs the Legislature to create a plan for the potential future elimination of property taxes
  - This requirement has no specific end date for when the legislature must draft the removal.
- Limits how municipalities may spend property tax revenues to six categories:
  - Public safety
  - Education
  - Infrastructure
  - Natural resources
  - Existing debt obligations
  - Employee retirement costs

Anything outside of those categories will have to be funded by other sources or cut from local government budgets entirely.

If approved by at least 60% of voters, the amendment would take effect and lawmakers would return in 2027 to draft the implementing legislation.

Many local governments and community stakeholders have expressed concerns that the current proposal still lacks important details regarding how the changes would be carried out and how local revenue losses would be addressed.

## Floor Updates



I voiced my concerns on the property tax amendment on the Senate floor. While property tax relief is an important conversation, I believe this proposal moved forward without fully addressing the long-term impact it could have on local governments, schools, infrastructure, and the essential public services our communities rely on every day.

## District Updates



Our team attended the 2026 State of the Schools event hosted by Orange County Public Schools, where district leaders highlighted student achievement, workforce development initiatives, school safety efforts, and priorities for the upcoming school year.

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*Senator Kristen Arrington*



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