

This week was the first of six interim committee weeks in Tallahassee ahead of Florida's 2020 Legislative Session. We heard presentations in several committee meetings that highlighted the issues we need to address for Floridians in the coming months.

It's my goal to keep our community updated on the progress we make together throughout these next committee weeks! Here's a look at our most recent efforts up in Tallahassee:

## **Committee Meetings**



We examined the forecast for the 2020 budget and discussed how we can fund projects that will support Florida's growing population and expanding economy.

During our <u>Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil</u>
<u>Justice</u> meeting, Florida Department of Corrections Secretary Mark Inch
presented fiscal solutions for staffing shortages, safety issues, and
healthcare costs in our correctional facilities. We will take a deeper look into
each of his suggestions as we move toward session.

The Sadowski Housing Coalition underscored how vital it is for Florida residents to have access to affordable housing during our <u>Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development</u> meeting.

Week one was extremely successful, and I'm eager to keep working on behalf of the folks in District 8!

## Florida's Economic Might



I also stood with Governor DeSantis, my Senate colleagues, and the Florida Chamber of Commerce to highlight Florida's fight to become one of the most business- and family-friendly states in the nation. We're on the right track with a solid Florida Supreme Court, common sense insurance reform, and our tax structure, but there is much more work to be done!



I was extremely honored to be recognized by the Small County Coalition for our efforts to support economic viability in our rural communities. I'm excited to continue working together on behalf of our families, friends, and neighbors!

## Legislative Session

As we approach the next legislative session, you can stay up-to-date with my bills and committee meetings by visiting my senate web page.



I'm looking forward to serving another year on the following senate committees:

- Criminal Justice, Chair
- infrastructure & Security, Vice Chair
- Banking & Insurance
- Education
- Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice
- Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development

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It's an honor to represent you in the Florida Senate. Thank you for your continued support, input and patience as we work together to make lasting impacts in our community. I'm eager to advocate for District 8 during the upcoming Legislative Session!

Sincerely,

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