



# The Arrington Articles

*April 14th - 18th Edition*

Hello

Week 6 was both busy and productive at the Capitol, with just two weeks remaining in the Legislative Session. Our team participated in several committee meetings and Floor Sessions, and we're proud to share that another one of our bills passed with unanimous support! We anticipate the start of budget conferences and negotiations between the House and Senate in the coming days. In the meantime, you'll find a budget recap below.

Sincerely,

Senator Kristen Arrington and the SD25 Team

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**Legislative Updates**

The Florida **Senate** and **House** have released their preliminary versions of the budget. Both chambers will spend the next few weeks working on reconciling the differences between these budgets to present them to the Governor.

Currently, our district is slated to receive crucial funding for **flood mitigation, hydrilla treatment for Lake Toho, transportation projects,** and to **support our homeless veterans.** We look forward to providing specific details once the budget is finalized.

## Bill Spotlight



Senator Arrington presented **SB 1378** **Leaving the Scene of a Crash** on the Senate floor. The bill passed the Senate unanimously!

It's House companion bill [HB 479](#) passed the House floor unanimously, as well. It will now be sent to the Governor to be signed into law.

## Visitor Highlights



Senator Arrington was thrilled to speak with the Early Learning Coalition of Osceola. They had a thoughtful conversation on early learning issues in Osceola and how our office can further support their initiatives.

## District Updates

The SD25 team had the honor of visiting Help Now of Osceola, a nonprofit dedicated to providing shelter, advocacy, and vital support to survivors of domestic violence. We're grateful for the critical work they do to bring safety, healing, and hope to our community.



# Autism Awareness Month



We wanted to highlight the bills Senator Arrington has filed and co-sponsored to further support our constituents on the spectrum. We're proud to stand with the autism community this month and every month!

**SB 460: Student Elopement** by Senator Arrington

- This bill would require schools to develop an elopement plan.

**SB 102: Exceptional Student Education** by Senator Gaetz, co-sponsor Senator Arrington

**SB 500: Spectrum Alert** by Senator Avila, co-sponsor Senator Arrington

- This bill would establish an alert system for missing children with autism.

**SB 1364: Autism Spectrum Disorder Training for Law Enforcement Officers** by

- This bill would develop and implement a workforce credential program for students with autism.

Senator Collins, co-sponsor  
Senator Arrington

- This bill would establish training for law enforcement to assist individuals with autism.

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