

# FARM BUREAU DAY

FLORIDA FARM BUREAU FEDERATION

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## Bill Tracker

SB 700/HB 651 - Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services – Florida Farm Bill – Sen. Truenow/ Rep. Tuck - The bill amends various statutes to adjust agricultural policies, clarify the roles and duties concerning the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and promote electrical utilities' accountability in environmental conservation.

SB 480/ HB 497 - Nonprofit Agricultural Organization Health Coverage – Sen Diceglie/ Rep. Grow - The bill proposes directives concerning nonprofit agricultural organizations and their ability to provide health coverage in Florida.

SB 318/ HB 1215 – Ad Valorem Tax Exemption – Sen. Truenow/ Rep. Alvarez - Proposes amendments to the state constitution to authorize tax exemptions for certain types of property.

Introduces a new exemption for tangible personal property on agricultural land used in production or agritourism, specifically owned by the landowner or leaseholder. Outlines additional tax exemptions for military personnel based on their deployment. Sets applicability of amendments concerning agricultural tangibles beginning with the 2027 tax roll.

SB 108/HB 433 - Administrative Procedures – Sen. Grall/ Rep. Overdorf - Amends Florida's administrative procedures by introducing several new requirements and modifications related to agency rulemaking processes.

SB 992/HB 129 - Products Liability Actions Under the Florida Pesticide Law – Sen. Collins/ Rep. Grow - Restricts the conditions under which products liability actions can be brought under the Florida Pesticide Law.

SB 196/ HB 525 - Foods Containing Vaccines or Vaccine Materials – Senator Gruters/ Rep. Miller- Amends definitions and labeling requirements related to foods containing vaccines or vaccine materials.

SB 374/ HB 211- Farm Products – Sen. Truenow/ Rep. Cobb - Expands the definition of "farm product" to include both edible and nonedible plants and plant products, as well as animal products.

SB 462/HB 567 - Department of Transportation – Sen. DiCeglie/ Rep. McFarland - Streamlines and modifies transportation-related processes and responsibilities.

SB 492/HB 1175 - Mitigation Banking – Sen. McClain/ Rep. Duggan - Revises requirements for the release schedule of credits in mitigation banking.

SB 510/ HB 35 - Heat Illness Prevention – Sen. Rouson/ Rep. Gottlieb - Mandates implementation of an outdoor heat exposure safety program by employers in sectors like agriculture and construction where work is primarily outdoors.

SB 786/HB 589 - Improvements to Structures on Agricultural Lands – Sen. Truenow/ Rep. Brackett - The bill amends Florida Statute s. 193.461 to adjust the tax assessment practices affecting agricultural lands.

SB 560/HB 595 - Chemical Additives in Food Products – Sen. Martin/ Rep. Cross - The bill prohibits food establishments from manufacturing, selling, or distributing food containing specific chemical additives starting January 1, 2028.

SB 1322/HB 837 - Tax Credits for Investment in Rural Communities – Sen. Simon/Rep. Tuck - Establishes the Florida Rural Jobs Act to encourage investments in rural communities through tax credits.

SB 1132/HB 235 – Digital Right to Repair – Sen. Truenow/ Rep. Rayner- Establishes the "Portable Wireless Device Repair Act" to govern the relationship between device manufacturers, owners, and independent repair providers.

SB 448/HB 305 - Administrative Procedure – Sen. Burgess/ Rep. Esposito - The bill outlines a comprehensive overhaul of the administrative procedures for agency rulemaking, including restrictions on agencies issuing rules or guidance without explicit statutory delegation.

SB 986/HB 973 - Special Districts – Sen. Truenow/ Rep. Overdorf - Abolishes specific soil and water conservation districts, transferring their assets and liabilities to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

SB 7002/HB 1169 - Water Management Districts – Sen. Environment and Natural Resources Committee/ Rep. Conerly - Creates new regulations and reporting requirements for Florida's water management districts and revises various aspects of budgeting, taxation, project management, and operational protocols.