

# **Florida House of Representatives**

## **Proposed Committee Structure for 2024-2026 Term with Jurisdictions**

### **Budget Committee**

The Budget Committee produces the House's proposed budget and conforming and implementing legislation. The committee provides legislative oversight regarding the expenditure of appropriated funds, reviews the Governor's budget recommendations and agency legislative budget requests, and analyzes trust funds for creation, termination, or modification. Additionally, legislation with a fiscal impact is typically heard by the Budget Committee or one of its subcommittees. Some budget issues within the jurisdiction of the full committee include education fixed capital outlay and state employee pay, benefits, and retirement. Budget subcommittees make budget recommendations to the Budget Committee. The scope of each subcommittee is primarily delineated by agency as listed below.

### **Agriculture & Natural Resources Budget Subcommittee**

- Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services
- Department of Environmental Protection
- Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission
- Florida Department of Citrus

### **Health Care Budget Subcommittee**

- Agency for Health Care Administration
- Agency for Persons with Disabilities
- Department of Children & Families
- Department of Elder Affairs
- Department of Health
- Department of Veterans' Affairs

### **Higher Education Budget Subcommittee**

- Workforce Education
- Florida College System
- State universities
- Private colleges and universities
- Student Financial Aid
- Division of Blind Services
- Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
- Board of Governors

**Information Technology Budget & Policy Subcommittee** recommends the information technology (IT) budget for each agency to the Budget Committee and provides legislative oversight regarding agency implementation of the IT budget. The subcommittee also oversees matters related to IT governance, IT contracts and procurement, and cybersecurity and ransomware.

#### **Justice Budget Subcommittee**

- Department of Corrections
- Department of Juvenile Justice
- Department of Law Enforcement
- Department of Legal Affairs (Attorney General)
- State Court System
- Justice Administration
- Commission on Offender Review

#### **PreK-12 Budget Subcommittee**

- Department of Education
- Florida's K-12 education system
- School Readiness Program
- Voluntary Pre-K program

#### **State Administration Budget Subcommittee**

- Department of Business & Professional Regulation
- Department of Financial Services
  - Office of Insurance Regulation
  - Office of Financial Regulation
- Department of the Lottery
- Department of Management Services
  - Florida Digital Service
  - Division of Administrative Hearings
  - Public Employees Relations Commission
  - Florida Commission on Human Relations
- Department of Revenue
- Public Service Commission
- Florida Gaming Control Commission

#### **Transportation & Economic Development Budget Subcommittee**

- Department of Economic Opportunity
- Department of Highway Safety & Motor Vehicles
- Department of Military Affairs
- Department of State
- Department of Transportation
- Division of Emergency Management

## **Commerce Committee**

The Commerce Committee considers matters related to Florida's economy, business and professional regulation, housing, transportation infrastructure, energy, utilities, telecommunications, insurance, financial entities, and gaming.

- **Economic Infrastructure Subcommittee** considers matters related to transportation infrastructure, energy, utilities, telecommunications services, broadband services, telephone solicitation, and new and unique marketplaces.
- **Housing, Agriculture & Tourism Subcommittee** considers matters related to housing, agriculture, tourism, economic development, defense development, sports, international trade, rural programs, unemployment compensation, growth management, homeowners associations, condominiums and cooperative associations, and mobile homes.
- **Industries & Professional Activities Subcommittee** considers matters related to business and professional regulation and licensing, alcoholic beverages, hotels, restaurants, tobacco, vaping, gaming, construction professionals and the Florida Building Code, technology data privacy, and social media.
- **Insurance & Banking Subcommittee** considers matters related to insurance, financial institutions and products, consumer and payday finance, the securities and investment industry, cryptocurrency, financial technology, money transmitters, foreign currency exchangers, the state fire marshal, and funeral and cemetery licensees.

## **Education & Employment Committee**

The Education & Employment Committee considers matters related to Florida's education system. The committee examines educational choice options for all students from early childhood to postsecondary education as well as workforce education and training programs that prepare all individuals for successful careers.

- **Careers & Workforce Subcommittee** focuses on policies that lead to a skilled workforce. The subcommittee examines policies and programs that prepare students to succeed at the postsecondary level, equips individuals for employment, and responds to the local, regional and statewide workforce needs.
- **Education Administration Subcommittee** examines policies related to the various entities, systems, and organizations that administer the education system. The subcommittee considers policies related to educational boards, school administration, professional associations, and local community groups.

- **Student Academic Success Subcommittee** focuses on policies that establish what students should know and how to support student learning throughout their educational experience. The subcommittee also examines policies and programs related to instruction, assessment, services to students, support to students and individuals with disabilities, as well as the rights of students and parents.

### **Health & Human Services Committee**

The Health & Human Services Committee examines issues related to health care provider regulation, health insurance regulation, and public health. This policy area also includes the extent and manner in which government provides a safety net for low-income or otherwise vulnerable Floridians.

- **Health Care Facilities & Systems Subcommittee** considers issues related to access and affordability of health care. These issues include consumer price transparency, health facility regulation, and the operation of the state Medicaid and Children’s Health Insurance programs for low income Floridians. The committee also addresses commercial health insurance coverage and the state employee group health plan.
- **Health Professions & Programs Subcommittee** considers matters related to health care professional regulation, medical marijuana regulation, and the Children’s Medical Services Program. The subcommittee also addresses public health issues, including communicable diseases, environmental health, and vital statistics.
- **Human Services Subcommittee** focuses on vulnerable populations who rely for their safety and welfare on publicly organized and funded programs and services, including mental health and substance abuse services, and services for frail elders, people with developmental disabilities, and abused and neglected children.

### **Judiciary Committee**

The Judiciary Committee considers civil and criminal law issues, including public safety and the administration of the court system.

- **Civil Justice & Claims Subcommittee** considers matters related to civil litigation, business law, family law, constitutional amendments, real property law, guardianship, trust and estate law, and private property rights. The subcommittee also considers claim bills.
- **Criminal Justice Subcommittee** considers matters related to criminal justice, juvenile justice, law enforcement, and corrections.

### **Rules & Ethics Committee**

The Rules & Ethics Committee submits Special Order Calendars for adoption by the House and recommends procedures for the management of the floor process. The committee considers matters related to ethics and standards of conduct for public officers and employees. The Rules & Ethics Committee will also address breaches of decorum, policy, and propriety by Members.

### **Security & Threat Assessment Committee**

The Security & Threat Assessment Committee provides a forum for Members to be briefed on law enforcement threats to the State, on cybersecurity breaches of State agencies, and specific issues related to security in the Capitol.

### **State Affairs Committee**

The State Affairs Committee considers matters related to state agency governance, local government oversight and accountability, emergency management, environmental protection, and Florida's natural resources. The Committee's work also addresses matters related to administrative procedures, state and local government retirement programs and benefits, elections, highway safety, information technology governance, and cybersecurity and ransomware.

- **Government Operations Subcommittee** considers matters related to state agency governance, including organization, agency rulemaking, and procurement and contracting; collective bargaining; retirement benefits for public employees; and public records and open meetings. The subcommittee also focuses on policies related to elections and campaign finance, as well as matters related to highway safety and driver licenses.
- **Information Technology Budget & Policy Subcommittee** recommends the information technology (IT) budget for each agency to the Budget Committee and provides legislative oversight regarding agency implementation of the IT budget. The subcommittee also oversees matters related to IT governance, IT contracts and procurement, and cybersecurity and ransomware.
- **Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee** considers matters related to Florida's local governments, Florida's veterans, the Florida National Guard, and the military. The subcommittee also has primary responsibility for the local bill process.
- **Natural Resources & Disasters Subcommittee** considers matters related to state lands and parks, fish and wildlife, emergency management, environmental protection, and the preservation of Florida's natural resources, including issues related to water quality and supply and springs protection.

### **Ways & Means Committee**

The Ways & Means Committee's purview encompasses issues concerning all state and local taxes and select non-tax revenue sources. The committee addresses statutory and constitutional policy regarding tax rates, tax base design, and collection and enforcement parameters. The committee's work also addresses debt financing policy, tax administration, and enforcement of tax laws.