



**Interim Committee Week: County Lobbyist Call
Monday, October 9, 2017**

Welcome & Opening Remarks

Davin Suggs, FAC's Director of Public Policy, gave the following updates:

- **County lobbyist calls will continue this session on Mondays @ 3:00 p.m.**

FAC Public Policy Staffing, Roles and Responsibilities – As the Public Policy Division prepares for both a new FAC fiscal year and the upcoming 2018 Legislative Session, the following chart displays the staffing plan and roles and responsibilities for the public policy team.

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- Affordable Housing
- State and Regional Transportation
- Strategic Intermodal System Issues
- Water Quantity and Water Quality
- Mosquito Control
- Waste and Pollution
- Utilities and Energy
- Climate Change
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Finance and Tax

- Taxation
- Local Revenue
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- Economic Development
- Local Fiscal Administration
- Appropriations

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Health and Safety

- Behavioral and Mental Health
- Healthcare and Human Services Funding
- Healthcare and Human Services Policy
- Emergency Medical Services
- Law Enforcement and Corrections
- Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment
- Emergency Management
- Emergency Communications

Urban Caucus

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Administration

- Intergovernmental Relations (Constitutional Officers)
- Public Records
- Elections
- Judiciary – Article V
- Ethics
- Florida Retirement System

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Eric will continue to work with the Public Policy team to provide advocacy and policy development services based on his areas of expertise and experience at the State and Federal level.

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Casey will provide research and analytical support to the Public Policy Division related to State and Federal policy issues to augment the team's advocacy efforts

Emerging Issues

There may be significant additional policy issues related to the recent Hurricanes and emergency management. FAC will communicate with membership as specific issues develop.

Weekly Calendar

Monday, 10/9/17

- **1:00pm:** The Senate Environmental Preservation & Conservation Committee took up **SB 174** (Coastal Management) by Sen. Latvala. The bill revises beach nourishment project funding criteria, and dedicates an annual appropriation from the Land Acquisition Trust Fund to beach projects. FAC is supportive of this bill and it lines up with our beaches and shores policy proposal.
- **3:30pm:** Senate Commerce and Tourism is holding a panel discussion on Hurricane Irma Consequences and Responses.

Tuesday, 10/10/17

- **10:00am:** Senate Community Affairs is holding a workshop on state and local regulation of **vacation rentals**. Counties and cities will be represented on the panel. Legislation has not yet been filed, but we anticipate that it is forthcoming.
- **10:00am:** Senate Health Policy is holding a workshop on **opioid addiction**. DOH will also be updating the committee on the implementation of the **medical marijuana** legislation approved during the special session this summer (SB 8A).
- **2:00pm:** Senate Ethics and Elections will take up SB 186 by Sen. Hutson, which would require elected officials to **resign from office to run** for federal public office if the terms of the two offices overlap. The committee will also take up SB 192 by Sen. Baxley, which would exempt certain types of meetings from **public notice and access requirements**.
- **3:00pm:** The House Appropriations committee will hear a presentation on the Long Range Financial Outlook.
- **3:00pm:** House Ways and Means will consider **HB 7** (Local Government Fiscal Transparency) by Rep. Burton. FAC staff has been working with the sponsor and committee staff on concerns.

Wednesday, 10/11/17

- **9:00am:** House Children, Families, & Seniors subcommittee will receive an update on implementation of 2016's **SB 12**, which required counties to adopt and implement designated receiving systems and transportation plans for individuals entering the behavioral health treatment system.
- **9:00am:** House Tourism & Gaming Control subcommittee will receive an update on **tourism marketing**, including the status of partnerships between state and local tourism marketing entities.

Thursday, 10/12/17

- **1:00pm:** Senate Appropriations will have a presentation on the Long Range Financial Outlook, and also discuss: the impact of Hurricane Irma on the FY 17-18 and FY 18-19 state budgets: opioid funding issues; Low Income Pool; and FQHCs (federally qualified health centers).
- **1:30pm:** The House Select Committee on Hurricane Response & Preparedness will hold its first meeting to discuss the state's emergency management system, Hurricane Irma response and recovery, and hear from the Office of Insurance Regulation.