

## December 16, 2019 Pre-Session Call-In Summary

### Jeff Branch Update:

- [SB 998](#) (Hutson) – **Affordable Housing** – **Oppose** – There is no House companion bill at this time.
- [HB 459](#) (Overdorf) & [SB 954](#) (Perry) – **Building Codes & Construction** – **Oppose**

### Amber Hughes Update:

- [HB 159](#) (Clemons) & [SB 126](#) (Gruters) – **Sales & Use Tax** – **Support** – If you have a Republican House member in your district, please ask them to support this bill by being a co-sponsor.
- [HJR 477](#) (Rommel) – **Constitutional Amendment/Supermajority Vote Required to Impose, Authorize, or Raise Local Taxes or Fees** – **Oppose** – There is no Senate companion bill at this time.
- [HB 701](#) (Fischer) & [SB 1174](#) (Hutson) – **Communications Services Tax** – **Oppose**

### Casey Cook Update:

- [SB 1128](#) (Diaz) – **Short-Term Rentals** – **Oppose** – There is no House companion bill at this time. Rep. Fischer may file the House bill.
- [HB 4533](#) (Antone) – **Cybersecurity** – **Support** – This is an appropriations bill. Ask your local legislative delegation to support this bill as it makes its way through the budget process.
- [CS/SB 670](#) (Gruters) – **Smoking on Public Beaches and Public Parks** – **Support** – The Senate bill passed its first committee of reference and includes municipal-owned parks. The House bill, [HB 457](#) (LaMarca), only includes county and state parks. Please encourage Rep. LaMarca to amend the bill to include cities in the bill.

### David Cruz Update:

- [HB 519](#) (J. Grant) – **Bert Harris/Private Property Rights** – **Oppose** – The Senate companion bill has not yet been filed; Sen. Lee will be the Senate bill sponsor.
- [SB 890](#) (Perry) – **Local Licensing/Deregulate Professions** – **Oppose** – There is not a House companion bill at this time. Please contact David Cruz if you have any input on this bill.
- [HB 535](#) (Santiago) – **CRAs/Hospital Districts** – **Oppose** – If you have a hospital in your CRA, please contact David to share the scope of impact this bill would have on your city.

### Tara Taggart Update:

- [HB 611](#) (Sabatini) & [SB 766](#) (Perry) – **Local Government Accountability** – **Oppose**

### Scott Dudley Update:

- [HB 147](#) (Jacobs) & [SB 690](#) (Albritton) – **Water Resources** – **Support**
- [CS/SB 712](#) (Mayfield) – **Water Quality Improvements** – **Neutral**
- Follow-up from question asked at the end of the Call-In: [CS/SB 724](#) (Environment & Natural Resources Committee) – **Local Government Recycling Programs** – **Support** – CS/SB 724 provides an exemption for fiscally constrained counties from recycling goals required for county recycling programs. The bill creates within the Department of

Environmental Protection (DEP) the Florida Recycling Working Group, consisting of members from eleven public and private organizations. The working group must submit a report to the Legislature. The working group is repealed on July 1, 2021. This bill passed out of its first committee. The next committee stop in the Senate is Community Affairs. There is not a House companion bill yet.

**Allison Payne Advocacy Update:**

- Session begins on January 14, 2020.
- If you plan to come to Tallahassee to meet with legislators, please contact Allison to schedule a briefing before your meetings so you can receive the most up-to-date information.
- Watch for FLC legislative alerts via email and text. If you would like to receive alerts via text and have not yet requested to be added to the text list, please email Allison your cell number. When you contact your legislator(s), copy Allison on your email so she will know that you have communicated the message.
- Weekly Monday Morning Call-Ins begin on Monday, January 13 at 9:00 a.m.
- Legislative Action Days is February 11-12, 2019. Online registration starts TODAY. For more information or to register online, click [HERE](#).
- FLC Talking Points are priority issues are available online. Click [HERE](#) to access the talking points.