



The Liberty First Network is a liberty advocacy organization focused on defending your freedoms and championing principled legislation in Tallahassee. Our advocates, John Hallman and Danielle Alexandre are trusted professionals who have been fighting for liberty in the state capitol for a number of years. We are in essence lobbyists, however, we are not beholden to any party, business or organization. Our only allegiance is to the Constitution and the ideals of liberty.

With a broad network of strong relationships and grassroots activist strategies, the Liberty First Network sets itself apart from any other organization. Implementation of timely, state-wide "calls to action" to key decision-makers, legislators and their staff result in highly effective advocacy strategies. We bring you the most in-depth and unbiased information in each legislative analysis to give you the tools you need to keep our elected officials accountable to the people.

Become a member of the Liberty First Network so we can be your voice for liberty in Tallahassee.

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## Introduction

As we approach the 2016 election, the Liberty First Network has compiled its analysis of the last two sessions from 2015 and 2016 and present our scorecard of Florida legislators. The Liberty First Network believes in educating the voters of Florida on the legislative process and we feel it is important that you know how legislators voted on key issues of liberty.

The biggest disappointments over the last two sessions include the failure to pass pro-gun bills and repealing red light cameras. The fight also continues to eliminate Common Core from our education system. The good news is that we are making headway in those battles.

There were several major legislative victories which included stopping corporate welfare, with the legislature not funding the "quick action closing fund." Also, there was no additional funding for sports teams and the film industry. Attempts to expand Medicaid were stopped in both sessions and Amendment One funding was used for maintaining our current inventory of conservation land with a minimal amount used for buying more land. Civil liberty protections were passed with reforms to asset forfeiture and the use of drones. We successfully fought back attempts to add more regulations to craft breweries and passed legislation to allow the sale of the 64 oz. growlers to enable craft breweries to increase their business.

As we saw in 2014, the State House as a whole scored better than the State Senate, both of which have a fair mix of Republicans and Democrats in the ranks, although both chambers are majority Republican.

Collectively, Republicans scored on average slightly better than Democrats did as a whole. We noticed that Republicans generally voted cohesively on most issues, whereas Democrats tended to break ranks more often. In all, our scorecard identifies a noticeable streak of individualism on the part of a few legislators. It is also clear that, while some speak well on issues, their voting records do not always substantiate their rhetoric. Others have exceedingly taken on pro-liberty issues despite their positions being unpopular among their colleagues.

The key takeaway from the last two sessions is that we are making major strides in advancing liberty in Tallahassee. Much of the progress is due to your hard work. Making phone calls and sending emails to legislators is making a difference. The bottom line is, because of your dedication, we are moving the agenda in Tallahassee and they are hearing us: "we want liberty first!"

# Methodology

All of the bills that were proposed in the Florida State House and Florida Senate were reviewed for content only. No roll call votes or sponsorships were considered in choosing the legislation used for this scorecard. In each the House and the Senate, 20 pieces of legislation (numbered 1-20) that had been heard on the floor for a vote were selected.

The 20 pieces of legislation were deemed to be either negative (OP-POSED) or positive (SUPPORTED) by the Liberty First Network and points were assigned accordingly. A representative received 5-points for voting for positive legislation or for voting "no" on negative legislation. 5-points were deducted for voting "no" on positive legislation or for voting "yes" on negative legislation. If the member did not

vote on a piece of legislation, he or she did not receive any points nor were any points deducted. The highest score a member could earn on the base legislation was 100-points.

In addition, ten pieces of positive legislation were chosen that did not receive a floor vote (by both chambers or was a priority bill). For each of those pieces of legislation, co-sponsors received 5-points, for a possible total of 50 extra points. Sponsors of those 10 bills earned 10 additional points for their willingness to champion liberty issues.



The grade range was based on incre-

ments of 10-points. Members who scored 90-100 points earned an A, 80-89 received a B, 70-79 received a C, 60-69 received a D and anything 60 or below received an F grade. A plus (+) or minus (-) was assigned depending on where the score fell in the grade range.

A (+) was given to grades in the top points of the range, the full letter grade was assigned if the score fell within the middle 5-points, and a (-) was given to scores in the bottom of the grade range.



These legislators earned 100 points or higher on their liberty score.

We recognize them here with our "2016 Champions of Liberty" award.



Rep. Debbie Mayfield *Top Score* 



Sen. Jeff Brandes
Perfect Voting



Rep. Frank Artiles



Rep. Bryan Avila



Rep. Matt Caldwell



Rep. Neil Combee



Rep. Dane Eagle



Rep. Eric Eisnaugle



Rep. Larry Metz



Rep. Paul Renner



Rep. Jimmy T. Smith



Rep. Greg Steube

# **Criteria for Choosing Legislation**

egislation was selected for this scorecard based on civil liberty issues, business regulation and economic issues. Legislation that contained unnecessary spending, corporate welfare, growth of government bureaucracy or unequal enforcement of the law was deemed negative legislation. Positive legislation included bills that covered protecting personal information from public record, the right to defend oneself and

allowing for private sector solutions.

Legislation that did not change policy in any way, regardless of the public perception of the legislation, was not included. We found several pieces of legislation that appeared to be either positive or negative on the surface. However, after in-depth analysis and comparison to current policy or other extenuating circumstances, the legislation had negligible potential effect and, in some cases, we felt the legislation was addressing the wrong issue.



# **2015 Pro-Liberty Bills**

1. HB 649/SB 766 - Surveillance by Drone

2. HB 421/SB 264 - Traffic Enforcement Agencies and Traffic Citations

3. HB 493/SB 290 - Carrying a Concealed Weapon or Firearm

4. HB 301/SB186 - Alcoholic Beverages

5. HB197/SB 282 - Tracking Devices or Tracking Applications

6. HB383/SB 284 - Private Property Rights

7. HB 263/SB 596 - Craft Distilleries

8. HB 279/SB 792 - Pharmacies

# **2015 Anti-Liberty Bills**

9. SB 2A - Health Insurance Affordability Exchange

10. HB 217/SB 338 - Engineers

# 2016 Pro-Liberty Bills

11. HB 889/SB 1044 - Forfeiture of Contraband

12. HB 1075/SB 1290 - State Areas

13. HB 135/SB 228 - Mandatory Minimum Sentences

14. HB 7099 - Taxation

15. HB 59/SB 304 - Agritourism

16. HB 535/SB 704 - Building Codes

17. HB 1133/SB 1262 - Out-of-State Emergency Relief Workers

18. HB 4007/SB 238 - Medical Assistant Certification

19. HB 1061/SB 1316 - Nurse Licensure Compact

# 2016 Anti-Liberty Bills

20. HB 1297/SB 1652 - Discretionary Sales Surtaxes

### 2015 Extra Credit Bills

1. HB 873 - Regional Planning Councils

2. HB 743/SB 1406 - Education

3. HB 877/SB 1450 - Assessments and Accountability

4. HB 4005/SB 176 - Licenses to Carry Concealed Weapons and Firearms

### 2016 Extra Credit Bills

5. HB 163/SB 300 - Weapons and Firearms

6. HB 4001/SB 68 - Licenses to Carry Concealed Weapons and Firearms

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7. HB 4027/SB 168 - Traffic Infraction Cameras

8. HB 37/SB 132 - Direct Primary Care

9. HB 889/SB 1044 - Forfeiture of Contraband

10. HB 1075/SB 1290 - State Areas

# Florida House Rankings

The 120 Florida House members were ranked by cumulative score. Representative Debbie May-field received the highest score in the Florida House with Representatives Cortez, Rodriguez, and Stafford tied for the lowest score. Analysis of legislation is found by coordinating number under the bills section of this document.

### Key

5 = voted for liberty -5 = voting against liberty 0 = no vote.

|             | 992    | 264    | 290 | 186    | 197    | 383    | 596    | 279    | 2A     | 217      | 1044   | 1075   | 228 | 7099 | 59     | 535 | 1133   | 238    | 1901   | 1297     | Raw<br>Score | Bonus<br>Points | Total<br>Score | Letter<br>Grade |
|-------------|--------|--------|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|-----|------|--------|-----|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Adkins      | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Ahern       | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 5      | -5     | 5   | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5        | 80           | 15              | 95             | Α               |
| Albritton   | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 80           | 15              | 95             | Α               |
| Antone      | 5      | 5      | -5  | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5     | -5       | 5      | 5      | -5  | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Artiles     | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 0        | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 85           | 15              | 100            | A+              |
| Avila       | 5<br>5 | 5<br>5 | 5   | 5<br>5 | 5<br>5 | 5<br>5 | 5<br>5 | 5      | 5<br>5 | -5<br>-  | 5<br>5 | 5<br>5 | 5   | 5    | 5<br>5 | 5   | 5<br>5 | 5<br>5 | 5<br>5 | 5        | 90           | 10<br>15        | 100<br>95      | A+<br>^         |
| Baxley      | 5      | 5      | -5  | 5      | 5      | 5      |        | 5<br>5 | -5     | -5<br>-5 | 5      | -5     | -5  | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      |        | -5<br>-5 | 40           |                 | 40             | A<br>F-         |
| Berman      |        |        |     |        | _      |        | 5      |        |        |          |        |        |     |      |        | _   |        |        | 5      |          |              | 0               |                |                 |
| Beshears    | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Bileca      | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5        | 90           | 0               | 90             | A-              |
| Boyd        | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 80           | 5               | 85             | В               |
| Bracy       | 5      | 5      | -5  | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5     | -5       | 5      | 5      | -5  | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 0        | 55           | 0               | 55             | F               |
| Brodeur     | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 80           | 5               | 85             | В               |
| Broxson     | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Burgess     | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 80           | 5               | 85             | В               |
| Burton      | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Caldwell    | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 80           | 30              | 110            | A++             |
| Campbell    | 5      | 5      | -5  | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5     | -5       | 5      | 5      | -5  | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 50           | 5               | 55             | F               |
| Clarke-Reed | 5      | 5      | -5  | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5     | -5       | 5      | 5      | -5  | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Combee      | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 80           | 25              | 105            | A+              |
| Corcoran    | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5      | -5       | 5      | 5      | 5   | 5    | 5      | 5   | 5      | 5      | 5      | 5        | 90           | 0               | 90             | A-              |

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| Cortes, B.  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 5               | 85             | В               |
| Cortes, J.  | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | -5   | -5  | -5   | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 30           | 0               | 30             | F-              |
| Costello    | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 10              | 90             | A-              |
| Crisafulli  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Cruz        | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | -5   | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 40           | 0               | 40             | F-              |
| Cummings    | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Diaz, J.    | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 0  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 75           | 0               | 75             | С               |
| Diaz, M.    | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 5               | 95             | Α               |
| Drake       | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 15              | 95             | Α               |
| DuBose      | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 40           | 0               | 40             | F-              |
| Dudley      | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | -5   | 5   | -5   | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Eagle       | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 40              | 130            | A+++            |
| Edwards     | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 0               | 70             | C-              |
| Eisnaugle   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 10              | 100            | A+              |
| Fant        | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 10              | 90             | A-              |
| Fitzenhagen | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Fresen      | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 0   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 0    | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Fullwood    | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | -5   | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 40           | 0               | 40             | F-              |
| Gaetz       | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | -5   | -5   | 70           | 20              | 90             | A-              |
| Geller      | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | -5   | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 40           | 0               | 40             | F-              |
| Gonzalez    | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 5               | 95             | Α               |
| Goodson     | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 5               | 85             | В               |
| Grant       | 5   | 5   | 0   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | 0   | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 0               | 90             | A-              |
| Hager       | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Harrell     | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 0   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 75           | 0               | 75             | С               |
| Harrison    | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 0               | 70             | C-              |
| Hill        | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 0  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 75           | 5               | 80             | B-              |
| Hudson      | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 0               | 90             | A-              |

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| Ingoglia  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Ingram    | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 5               | 85             | В               |
| Jacobs    | 5   | 5   | -5  | 0   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | -5   | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 35           | 5               | 40             | F-              |
| Jenne     | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | -5   | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Jones, M. | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 60           | 0               | 60             | D-              |
| Jones, S. | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Kerner    | 5   | 5   | 0   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 0   | -5 | -5  | 5    | -5   | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| La Rosa   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Latvala   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Lee       | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Magar     | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Mayfield  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 55              | 135            | A++++           |
| McBurney  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 10              | 90             | A-              |
| McGhee    | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | -5   | -5  | 0    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 35           | 0               | 35             | F-              |
| Metz      | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 20              | 110            | A++             |
| Miller    | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 10              | 90             | A-              |
| Moraitis  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Moskowitz | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 60           | 0               | 60             | D-              |
| Murphy    | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 0               | 70             | C-              |
| Narain    | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | -5   | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 40           | 0               | 40             | F-              |
| Nuñez     | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 0               | 90             | A-              |
| O'Toole   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 5               | 95             | Α               |
| Oliva     | 0   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 0    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Pafford   | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | -5   | -5  | -5   | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 40           | 0               | 40             | F-              |
| Passidomo | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 0               | 90             | A-              |
| Perry     | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 5               | 85             | В               |
| Peters    | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Pigman    | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |

|                        | 992 | 264 | 290 | 186 | 197 | 383 | 596 | 279 | 2A | 217 | 1044 | 1075 | 228 | 2099 | 59 | 535 | 1133 | 238 | 1901 | 1297 | Raw<br>Score | Bonus<br>Points | Total<br>Score | Letter<br>Grade |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|------|------|-----|------|----|-----|------|-----|------|------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Pilon                  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 10              | 80             | B-              |
| Plakon                 | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 5               | 95             | Α               |
| Plasencia              | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 0               | 70             | C-              |
| Porter                 | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Powell                 | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 0    | 55           | 0               | 55             | F               |
| Pritchett              | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Raburn                 | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 5               | 85             | В               |
| Rader                  | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 60           | 0               | 60             | D-              |
| Raschein               | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 0               | 70             | C-              |
| Raulerson              | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Ray                    | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 90           | 0               | 90             | A-              |
| Rehwinkel<br>Vasilinda | 5   | 5   | 5   | 0   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 55           | 20              | 75             | С               |
| Renner                 | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 25              | 105            | A+              |
| Richardson             | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Roberson, K.           | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 5               | 85             | В               |
| Rodrigues, R.          | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 5               | 95             | Α               |
| Rodríguez, J.          | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | -5   | -5  | -5   | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 30           | 0               | 30             | F-              |
| Rogers                 | 5   | 5   | 0   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 0   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Rooney                 | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Rouson                 | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Santiago               | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Slosberg               | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 0    | -5  | 5    | 0  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 0    | 45           | 0               | 45             | F-              |
| Smith                  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 15              | 105            | A+              |
| Spano                  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 5               | 85             | В               |
| Sprowls                | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 5               | 95             | Α               |
| Stafford               | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | -5   | -5  | -5   | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 30           | 0               | 30             | F-              |
| Stark                  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 0               | 70             | C-              |

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|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|------|------|-----|------|----|-----|------|-----|------|------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Steube       | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 25              | 115            | A++             |
| Stevenson    | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Stone        | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 15              | 95             | Α               |
| Sullivan     | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 15              | 95             | Α               |
| Taylor       | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Tobia        | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5  | 5   | 5    | -5   | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 80           | 5               | 85             | В               |
| Torres       | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Trujillo     | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 90           | 0               | 90             | A-              |
| Trumbull     | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 10              | 90             | A-              |
| Van Zant     | 5   | 5   | 5   | 0   | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5  | 0   | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 25              | 95             | Α               |
| Watson, B.   | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | -5   | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 40           | 0               | 40             | F-              |
| Watson, C.   | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Williams, A. | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | -5  | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Wood         | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 10              | 90             | A-              |
| Workman      | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Young        | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 0  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 75           | 0               | 75             | С               |



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# Florida Senate Rankings

Key

5 = voted for liberty -5 = voting against liberty 0 = no vote.

The 40 Florida Senate members were ranked by cumulative score. Senator Jeff Brandes received the highest score in the Florida Senate with Senator Christopher Smith and Senator Tom Lee tied for receiving the lowest score. Analysis of legislation may be found under the bills section of this document by corresponding bill number.

|                        | 992 | 264 | 290 | 186 | 197 | 383 | 596 | 279 | 2A | 217 | 1044 | 1075 | 228 | 7099 | 59 | 535 | 1133 | 238 | 1901 | 1297 | Raw<br>Score | Bonus<br>Points | Total<br>Score | Letter<br>Grade |
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| Abruzzo                | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 0  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 0  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 0               | 70             | C-              |
| Altman                 | 5   | 5   | 5   | 0   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 0  | 5   | 5    | 0   | 5    | -5   | 55           | 0               | 55             | F               |
| Bean                   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 5               | 75             | С               |
| Benacquisto            | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 0               | 70             | C-              |
| Bradley                | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | 5   | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 0               | 70             | C-              |
| Brandes                | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5    | 100          | 20              | 120            | A+              |
| Braynon                | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | -5   | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Bullard                | 5   | 5   | -5  | 0   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | -5   | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 45           | 20              | 65             | D               |
| Clemens                | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | -5   | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 60           | 5               | 65             | D               |
| Dean                   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 0               | 70             | C-              |
| Detert                 | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 0               | 70             | C-              |
| Diaz de la<br>Portilla | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 0  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 65           | 0               | 65             | D               |
| Evers                  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 25              | 95             | Α               |
| Flores                 | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 5               | 75             | С               |
| Gaetz                  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 0    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 65           | 15              | 80             | B-              |
| Galvano                | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 0    | 75           | 0               | 75             | С               |
| Garcia                 | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 0    | 75           | 0               | 75             | С               |
| Gardiner               | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 0   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 0    | 70           | 0               | 70             | C-              |
| Gibson                 | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 60           | 0               | 60             | D-              |
| Grimsley               | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 10              | 80             | B-              |

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| Hays     | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 80           | 0               | 80             | B-              |
| Hukill   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 0               | 70             | C-              |
| Hutson   | 5   | 5   | 0   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 75           | 5               | 80             | B-              |
| Joyner   | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | -5   | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Latvala  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 0   | 5    | 5   | 5    | 0    | 70           | 0               | 70             | C-              |
| Lee      | 5   | 0   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 0    | 5    | 0   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 0    | 5   | 0    | -5   | 45           | 0               | 45             | F-              |
| Legg     | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 0               | 70             | C-              |
| Margolis | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 0   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 55           | 0               | 55             | F               |
| Montford | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 0   | 0   | 5   | 0   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 55           | 0               | 55             | F               |
| Negron   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 5               | 75             | С               |
| Richter  | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 0   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 55           | 0               | 55             | F               |
| Ring     | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 60           | 0               | 60             | D-              |
| Sachs    | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 0  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 0  | 5   | 0    | 0   | 5    | -5   | 50           | 0               | 50             | F-              |
| Simmons  | 0   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 65           | 0               | 65             | D               |
| Simpson  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 70           | 10              | 80             | B-              |
| Smith    | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 0    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 45           | 0               | 45             | F-              |
| Sobel    | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 0   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 55           | 0               | 55             | F               |
| Soto     | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 0  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 65           | 0               | 65             | D               |
| Stargel  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 0  | -5  | 5    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 75           | 0               | 75             | С               |
| Thompson | 5   | 5   | -5  | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | 5   | -5 | -5  | 0    | 5    | 5   | 5    | 5  | 5   | 5    | 5   | 5    | -5   | 55           | 0               | 55             | F               |

# Florida Legislative Analysis

Below you will see our legislative analysis by House Bill number (HB) along with its corresponding Senate Bill (SB) number. The sponsors are listed with a brief description of the bill and our analysis. Finally, you will see the final status of the legislation.

## **2015 Pro-Liberty Bills**

### 1. HB 649/SB 766 - Surveillance by Drone - SUPPORTED

Rep. Metz/Sen. Hukill: This bill prohibits a person, state agency or political subdivision from using aerial drones to capture images that could infringe on the privacy of property owners or occupants.

Passed and signed into law by the Governor on May 14, 2015.

# 2. HB 421/SB 264 - Traffic Enforcement Agencies & Traffic Citations - SUPPORTED

Rep. R Rodrigues/Sen. Bradley: This bill prohibits local law-enforcement agencies from using ticket quotas. The law requires individual local governments to submit reports to the legislature if traffic-ticket revenues cover more than 33% of the costs of operating their police departments. Ticket quotas and speed traps are used to increase revenue and not to promote public safety.

Passed and signed into law by the Governor on May 14, 2015.

# 3. HB 493/SB 290 - Carrying a Concealed Weapon or Firearm - SUPPORTED

Rep. Fitzenhagen/Sen. Brandes: This bill permits a person to carry a concealed weapon or firearm on or about his or her person, regardless of licensure status, while in the act of complying with a mandatory evacuation order issued during a state of emergency declared by the Governor, so long as the person may lawfully possess a firearm.

Passed and signed into law by the Governor on May 21, 2015.

#### 4. HB 301/SB186 - Alcoholic Beverages - SUPPORTED

Rep. Sprowls and Rep. Young/Sen. Latvala: This bill removes the confusion surrounding the so-called tourism exemption, which vaguely requires the taproom to promote Florida tourism. It codifies into law the craft brewery's right to exist and do business in Florida. This came into question because of the erroneous tourism exemption. SB 186 authorized beer tastings in stores and allowed the 64-oz growler, previously banned in Florida.

Passed and signed into law by the Governor on May 14, 2015.

# 5. HB197/SB 282 - Tracking Devices or Tracking Applications - SUPPORTED

Rep. Metz/Sen. Hukill: This bill prohibits a person from installing a tracking device or tracking application on another person's property including vehicles, computers and phones without the other person's consent. This bill also considers permission to be revoked in a case of a dissolution of marriage. There was previously no restriction on tracking devices.

Passed and signed into law by the Governor on June 11, 2015.

### 6. HB383/SB 284 - Private Property Rights - SUPPORTED

Rep. Edwards and Rep. Perry/Sen. Diaz de la Portilla: This bill amends the *Bert Harris Act* to create a new avenue for property owners to recover damages based on an "unconstitutional exaction." This means a government agency may not require a property owner to, among other things, perform off-site improvements or repairs to other properties he or she does not own and which are located miles away.

Passed and signed into law by the Governor on June 11, 2015.

#### 7. HB 263/SB 596 - Craft Distilleries - SUPPORTED

Rep. Stevenson/Sen. Hays: This bill allows Florida craft distilleries to sell up to two bottles of each branded product to each customer per year. Prior to this law, distilleries could sell only two bottles per customer per year total.

Passed and signed into law by the Governor on May 21, 2015.

#### 8. HB 279/SB 792 - Pharmacies - SUPPORTED

Rep. Pigman/Sen. Bean: This bill authorizes registered interns, under the supervision of certified pharmacists, to administer a number of vaccines. The new legislation also expands the types of vaccines that pharmacists and registered interns may administer. Prior to this legislation, pharmacists were only able to administer influenza, pneumococcal, meningococcal, and shingles vaccines.

Passed and signed into law by the Governor on June 11, 2015

#### 10. HB 217/SB 338 - Engineers - OPPOSED

Rep. Van Zant/Sen. Altman: This bill would have created an unnecessary additional license for engineers wishing to specialize in structural engineering and would prohibit other engineers from practicing in the field. Presently, a licensed engineer may practice in the area of structural engineering. The bill would have prohibited anyone from practicing in that subspecialty unless they met the new requirements and acquired the new structural engineering license ultimately requiring engineers practicing structural engineering to hold 2 licenses. There was also a "grandfathering" provision to exempt currently licensed engineers from the new examination requirement. If there is a need to raise the standards for structural engineering, there is no reason to have different requirements for new or existing professionals in the same field.

Passed but vetoed by the Governor on June 11, 2015.

# **2015 Anti-Liberty Bills**

### 9. SB 2A - Health Insurance Affordability Exchange - OPPOSED

Sen. Bean: This bill was the Senate's plan to use federal money under Obamacare to expand Medicaid and was part of the first special session in 2015. The House leadership opposed using federal dollars to expand Medicaid that would eventually be decreased and put Floridians on the hook for huge costs. The Senate passed SB 2A and the House voted it down.

Failed to pass the House.

# 2016 Pro-Liberty Bills

#### 11. HB 889/SB 1044 - Forfeiture of Contraband - SUPPORTED

Rep. Metz and Rep. Caldwell/Sen. Brandes: This bill addresses the abuse of civil asset forfeiture by law enforcement. Previously, law enforcement agencies may confiscate, without an arrest or conviction, any property they allege is connected to a crime, such as cash, cars, real estate, boats and other possessions. SB 1044 requires an arrest before assets can be seized and forfeited. It raises the burden of proof that law enforcement much demonstrate to seize assets. It also implemented some of the strictest asset

forfeiture reporting laws in the country.

Passed and signed into law by the Governor on June 11, 2015

#### 12. HB 1075/SB 1290 - State Areas - SUPPORTED

Rep. Caldwell/Sen. Simpson: This bill recognizes Florida cannot afford to buy and manage all of the land that may be needed to conserve habitat. This bill creates alternatives to fee simple purchase of land and creates a review process by the Acquisition and Restoration Council and the Florida Cabinet to determine whether there are lands the state no longer needs for conservation.

Passed and signed into law by the Governor on April 14, 2016.

### 13. HB 135/SB 228 - Mandatory Minimum Sentences - SUPPORTED

Rep. Combee and Rep. Edwards/Sen. Bean and Bradley: This bill removes aggravated assault from the 10-20-life Mandatory Minimum Sentences. Prosecutors have been wrongfully using 10-20-life to prosecute people who are exercising self-defense. This bill stops prosecutors from putting people in prison for 10 years if they show a gun to scare off an attacker or 20 years for firing a warning shot.

Passed and signed into law by the Governor on February 24, 2016.

### 14. HB 7099 - Taxation - SUPPORTED

Rep. Gaetz: This bill was the final tax cut package and is combined with an agreement to reduce the portion of property taxes that is used to fund public schools, known as the "Required Local Effort". HB 7099 also includes the elimination of sales tax that manufacturers pay for equipment and a 3-day "Back to School" sales tax holiday. The new tax-cut package of \$129.1 million will be com-

bined with about \$290 million outlay that state lawmakers use to hold down local property taxes.

Passed and signed into law by the Governor on April 13, 2016.

### 15. HB 59/SB 304 - Agritourism - SUPPORTED

Rep. Combee and Rep. Raburn/Sen. Stargel: This bill expands the allowable agritourism activities to include events such as weddings, fundraisers, polo matches and other equestrian competitions to be held at farms without any local regulation. In order to continue farming, operators of small and medium-sized agribusinesses find ways to diversify and expand their incomes, either through new enterprises on the farm or off-farm employment. Agritourism is one of the many methods farmers use to diversify and expand their income.

Passed and signed into law by the Governor on March 8, 2016.

### 16. HB 535/SB 704 - Building Codes - SUPPORTED

Rep. Eagle/Sen. Hutson: This bill is a comprehensive building code bill that makes several changes to existing law. Overall, regulations are reduced by allowing large apartment complexes to use their own maintenance instead of hiring contractors for simple repairs. It also reduces the requirement for small restaurants to have costly, large dining fire suppression sprinklers, allows local governments to issue permits on various stages of construction alleviating work stoppages while awaiting prerequisite permits, and exempts low voltage landscaping lighting from having to be installed by a licensed contractor among other items.

Passed and was signed into law by the Governor on March 25, 2016.

# 17. HB 1133/SB 1262 - Out-of-State Emergency Relief Workers - SUPPORTED

Rep. Young/Sen. Simpson: This bill provides exceptions to certain licensing laws in order to allow relief workers and first responders from others states to operate in Florida when volunteering their services during state emergencies. This is a measure that will keep state regulations from limiting our resources when encountering crisis situations.

Passed and signed by the Governor on March 24, 2016.

#### 18. HB 4007/SB 238 - Medical Assistant Certification - SUPPORTED

Rep. Campbell and Rep. Pigman/Sen. Grimsley: This bill will remove an unnecessary and obsolete licensure from the Florida statutes. Medical Assistant Certification is not required under state law and, therefore, is an obsolete regulation that no longer needs to be on the books.

Passed and signed by the Governor on March 23, 2016.

### 19. HB 1061/SB 1316 - Nurse Licensure Compact - SUPPORTED

Rep. Pigman/Sen. Grimsley: This bill allows Florida to enter into a compact with 26 other states that will allow accredited nurses reciprocity to work in consenting states without having to jump through additional regulatory hoops to get licensed separately in each state.

Passed and signed by the Governor on March 25, 2016.

# **2016 Anti-Liberty Bills**

20. HB 1297/SB 1652 - Discretionary Sales Surtaxes - OPPOSED

Rep. Ray/Sen. Bradley and Bean: This bill permits counties to levy an optional local sales tax of 0.5 percent to subsidize underfunded pension programs. This equates to a bailout of poorly managed local government pension programs at the expense of the taxpayers.

Passed and signed into law by the Governor on March 25, 2016.

### 2015 Extra Credit Bills

### 1. HB 873 - Regional Planning Councils - SUPPORTED

Rep. Mayfield: This bill would have repealed the 11 Florida Regional Planning Councils that have become a de facto agency of the federal government to promote "Smart Growth" and "Sustainable Living" schemes.

This bill was never heard in committee.

#### 2. HB 743/SB 1406 - Education - SUPPORTED

Rep. Mayfield/Sen. Bullard: These bills would have returned control over many education issues back to the school districts. They also would have allowed for parents to have more direction for their children's education choices and lowered the high stakes nature of the testing.

Unfortunately, but not surprisingly, neither piece of legislation was heard in even one committee.

### 3. HB 877/SB 1450 - Assessments and Accountability - SUPPORTED

Rep. Mayfield/Sen. Bullard: This legislation would have eliminated

the mandate on school districts to administer the state assessment FSA test, as well as allowing parents to opt their children out from the state assessment. School districts that do not administer the FSA must assess students annually in subjects using any pre-2009 national norm-referenced test.

This bill failed to pass the House and Senate.

# 4. HB 4005/SB 176 - Licenses to Carry Concealed Weapons and Firearms - SUPPORTED

Rep. Steube/Sen. Evers: These bills would have deleted a provision prohibiting concealed carry licensees from openly carrying a handgun or carrying a concealed weapon or firearm into a college or university facility.

Senator Diaz de la Portilla, Chair of the Senate Judiciary Committee would not allow SB 176 to be heard in the Judiciary Committee which effectively killed the bill.

### 2016 Extra Credit Bills

### 5. HB 163/SB 300 - Weapons and Firearms - SUPPORTED

Rep. Gaetz/Sen. Gaetz: These bills would have provided that a person licensed to carry a concealed firearm or weapon may also openly carry such firearm or weapon. This bill also protected private property owners and businesses by allowing them to decide if they would allow firearms or weapons within their property or business.

HB 163 passed the House and SB 300 died because Senator Diaz de la Portilla would not allow SB 300 to be heard in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

# 6. HB 4001/SB 68 - Licenses to Carry Concealed Weapons and Firearms - SUPPORTED

Rep. Steube/Sen. Evers: These bills would have deleted a provision prohibiting concealed carry licensees from openly carrying a handgun or carrying a concealed weapon or firearm into a college or university facility, etc. HB 4001 passed the House and just like the 2015 session gun bills and 2016 session Open Carry bill, Senator Diaz de la Portilla would not allow SB 68 to be heard in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

HB 4001 passed the House and just like the 2015 session gun bills and 2016 session Open Carry bill, Senator Diaz de la Portilla would not allow SB 68 to be heard in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

#### 7. HB 4027/SB 168 - Traffic Infraction Cameras - SUPPORTED

Rep. Artiles/Sen. Brandes: These bills would have repealed the use of red light cameras.

HB 4027 passed the House and passed through one Senate Committee before being stopped in the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development by the committee chair, Senator Jack Latvala.

### 8. HB 37/SB 132 - Direct Primary Care - SUPPORTED

Rep. Costello/Sen. Grimsley: These bills would have specified that a direct primary care agreement does not constitute insurance and is not subject to Florida Insurance code. These direct patient/doctor agreements allow a system not controlled by government regulation to develop. It makes doctors responsive to patients, not insurance company bureaucrats or government rule-makers.

HB 37 passed the House but died in the Senate.

### 9. HB 889/SB 1044 - Forfeiture of Contraband - SUPPORTED

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to ensure that freedom is guaranteed
and that our government is limited
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on our liberty."

~ JOHN HALLMAN



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