

The Slosberg Report

Interim Committee Meeting Updates

The **Government Operations Subcommittee** met this week. We heard a presentation by the Chief Inspector General of preliminary data gathered in response to Executive Order No. 20-44, regarding executive agency public-private partnership oversight. We also heard an overview by staff of the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability of their ongoing review of non-governmental and quasi-governmental entities that receive state funds.

The **Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee** also met this week. We heard updates on the Motorist Modernization Program and Mobile Driver Licenses, as well as an overview of the state's specialty license plates.

Additionally, we heard [HB 77, Diesel Exhaust Fluid](#), by Rep. Overdorf, which would require the governing body of each public airport to create diesel exhaust fluid safety mitigation & exclusion plans for submission to the Florida Department of Transportation.

HB 77 passed favorably out of committee and I voted in favor of it.

State Emergency Operations Center Tour

This week, I toured the state's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and State Watch Office with Jared Rosenstein, the Legislative Affairs Director of the Florida Division of Emergency Management.

After nearly 350 days of continuous activation, I thanked the dedicated men and women at the



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EOC who have been responding to the ongoing state of emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.



My Bills

To date, I have filed the following bills for consideration during this year's legislative session:

- [HB 91, Use of Wireless Communications Devices While Driving](#), would enhance the current prohibition on texting while driving by banning the handheld use of wireless devices like cell phones while driving.
- [HB 177, Tethering of Domestic Dogs and Cats](#), would prohibit tethering domestic dogs and cats as a means of permanent confinement and provide penalties for violations of the proposed legislation.

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IMPORTANT DATES

- [Interim Committee Meetings at the Florida Capitol:](#)
 - February 15-19
- **First Day of the 2021 Legislative Session: March 2**

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- [HB 673, DNA Evidence Collected in Sexual Offense Investigations](#), would require the Florida Department of Law Enforcement to create and maintain a statewide database for tracking sexual assault evidence kits and make information from that database accessible to sexual assault victims.
- [HB 745, School Bus Safety](#), would authorize school districts across Florida to install automated traffic enforcement systems on school buses to identify violators who put children in danger by improperly passing stopped school buses.
- [HB 2093, Rales Rides](#), would provide support for the Rales Rides senior transportation program operated by Ruth & Norman Rales Jewish Family Services.

Publix, Walmart, Sam's Club, & Winn-Dixie Offer Vaccines

In an expansion of the state's vaccination efforts, the COVID-19 vaccine will be available at select Publix, Walmart, Sam's Club, and Winn-Dixie locations across the state of Florida, with the initial roll-out beginning later this week.

Additional details and information on how to sign up for a vaccination appointment at any of those retailers is listed below.

Publix

Publix opens their appointment portal on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 7:00 AM. You can make an appointment at www.publix.com/covid-vaccine/florida.

Walmart and Sam's Club

Walmart and Sam's Club will begin distributing vaccines to select stores later this week. You can make an appointment for a vaccination at Walmart at www.walmart.com/COVIDvaccine or at Sam's Club at www.samsclub.com/covid.

Winn-Dixie

Winn-Dixie locations will offer vaccines at certain stores later this week. You can make an appointment at www.winndixie.com/pharmacy/covid-vaccine.

State Pre-Registration System

*We also encourage you to pre-register through the state's online portal, which will notify you when new vaccination appointments are available in your area. **You can pre-register online here <https://myvaccine.fl.gov> or by phone by calling (866) 201-6754 or (561) 625-5180.***

New COVID-19 Vaccine Program for Holocaust Survivors

Holocaust survivors and their spouses are eligible for a special allotment of the COVID-19 vaccine. Please request an appointment by calling the Holocaust Documentation and Education Center at **(954) 929-5690, Ext. 302**. Someone will call to set up an appointment and will make a house call to administer the vaccination.

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