

# The Slosberg Report

## 2021 Special Session Update

### Seminole Gaming Compact Passed by the Legislature

Last Wednesday marked the end of a brief but very busy special session focused on ratifying the proposed gaming compact between the Seminole Tribe and the State of Florida.

The Compact as approved by the Legislature is expected to bring in a guaranteed \$500 million per year for the next five years and more than \$6 billion by 2030. Under the Compact, the Seminole Tribe is expected to offer craps, roulette, and sports betting, in addition to slots, banked card games, raffles and drawings.

Together, the House and Senate passed [SB 2A](#), which ratified and implemented the Governor's 30-year agreement with the Seminole Tribe on gambling and related topics.

Also passed during the special session were [SB 4A](#) and [SB 6A](#), which will establish the Florida Gaming Control Commission as the state's lead law enforcement agency on gambling. Under the measure, a five-member committee will have criminal justice authority over gaming laws and pari-mutuel institutions such as card rooms and horse racing.

The final proposal passed during the special session was [SB 8A](#), which makes changes at racetracks and other gaming sites, allowing pari-mutuel facilities to convert solely to other forms of gambling.

While I do not believe the Compact was perfect, I believe it was a good deal for Florida's citizens



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and it has the potential to bring in significant new revenue for the state over the next 30 years.

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## Emily in the District



### Emily Attends AVDA's 14th Annual Heart of a Woman Event

After returning to Palm Beach County from Tallahassee, I had the honor of attending the 14th Annual Heart of a Woman luncheon hosted by Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse (AVDA).

AVDA is a wonderful organization that promotes violence-free relationships and social change in our community by offering alternative choices to end violence and domestic abuse.

### Emily Attends Mother's Day Luncheon hosted by JAFCO

JAFCO's mission is to care for abused, neglected and at-risk children as well as those with developmental disabilities in the Jewish community and to work in partnership with families and the entire community.

Thank You JAFCO for all of your work in our community!





## Emily Tours a New Veteran's Treatment Program

Over the weekend, I toured a new facility operated by Grey Team, a local nonprofit whose primary mission is to prevent PTSD-related veteran suicides and restore passion and purpose to their lives.

This state of the art facility, located in Boca Raton, will provide physical and mental wellness programs for veterans.

## Emily Attends an Event for Victims of Sexual Assault

Last week, I spoke at an event focusing on the issues facing survivors of sexual assault. While Palm Beach County has an excellent Victim Services Department, many victims across our state do not get the support they need to recover from a sexual assault.

During the 2021 regular legislative session, my Gail's Law rape kit tracking bill was unanimously passed by the Florida Legislature. That bill will reform the way sexual assault kits are handled and provide more transparency for victims.



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