



# 2024 LEGISLATIVE SESSION REVIEW

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**PALM BEACH**  
*Florida*

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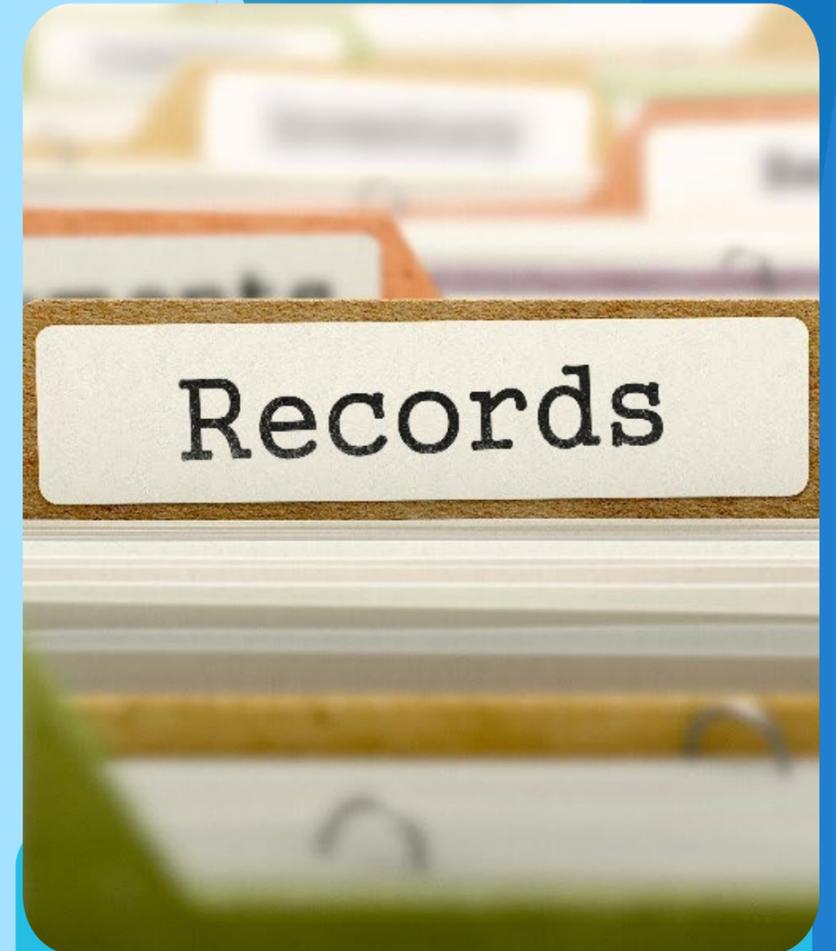
# Powell Bills Passed

## SB 712 Public Records/County Attorneys and City Attorneys

This bill provides an exemption from public records requirements for the personal identifying and location of current county attorneys, assistant county attorneys, deputy county attorneys, city attorneys, deputy city attorneys, and assistant city attorneys.

Personal Information relating to their spouses and children is likewise exempt. The specific personal information made exempt from public records disclosure requirements include:

- Home Address, telephone numbers, places of employment, photographs, and dates of birth.
- Names, home addresses, telephone numbers, photographs, places of employment, and dates of birth of the spouse and children.
- Names and locations of schools and day care facilities by the children.



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## SB 1064 Wills and Estates

Provides and clarifies procedures to resolve probate disputes regarding property owned by spouses in this state but acquired while the spouses lived in one of the nine community property states.

Amends and repeals various provisions of the Act, and other related provisions of the Florida Probate Code, to:

- Clarify existing law by exempting title disputes arising under the Act from: The term “claim” as defined in the Florida Probate Code.

The bill ensures the availability of necessary information about deceased individuals is contained in the land records maintained by the Clerks of the Circuit Courts so that proper heirs can be identified in the chain of title, thereby protecting the public interest of certainty in the ownership of real property.



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# Bills Introduced-**Stopped** in the House

## SB 732 Theft from Nonprofit Organizations

This bill would have required a person who is convicted of theft of more than \$1,000 from an organization that he or she knows or has reason to believe is a nonprofit organization.

If the funds, assets, or property involved in the theft is valued at:

- \$50,000 or more, the offender commits a first degree felony.
- \$10,000 or more, but less than \$50,000, the offender commits a second degree felony.
- \$300 or more, but less than \$10,000, the offender commits a third degree felony.



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# Bills Introduced-**Stopped** in the House

## SB 786 Youth Conflict Resolution and Peer Mediation Pilot Program

Bill would have created the Youth Conflict Resolution and Peer Mediation Pilot Program (pilot program). The purpose of the pilot program is to reduce juvenile violence by equipping students with essential skills for peaceful conflict resolution by equipping students with essential skills for peaceful conflict resolution through the use of a conflict resolution curriculum selected by the Commissioner of Education.



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# Bills Introduced-**Stopped** in the House

## SB 776 Temporary Cash Assistance Eligibility

This bill would have maintained the existing prohibition from receiving Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA) and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) assistance for individuals with felony drug trafficking convictions, but create an exemption for victims of human trafficking.



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# APPROPRIATIONS



- Palm Beach Shores - Dredging Project, **\$1,000,000**
- Westgate CRA Enhanced Street Lighting & Safety Initiative, **\$250,000**
- Oak Street Home II - Female Teen Delinquency Prevention Program **\$350,000**
- Roosevelt School Program Enhancements, **\$847,920**
- Palm Beach Atlantic University - LeMieux Center for Public Policy, **\$500,000**
- Catapult! Afterschool Youth Mentoring Center Students, **\$500,000**
- T3 - Teach, Touch the Trades, **\$358,750**
- Palm Springs Congress Avenue Sewer Force Main - Palm Beach County, **\$1,000,000**
- Mangonia Park Water Plant Expansion and Modernization, **\$750,000**

# APPROPRIATIONS



Riviera Beach Design and Demolition of Existing Fire Station on Singer Island,

**\$500,000**

North Palm Beach Public Safety Resiliency, **\$255,000**

Palm Beach Zoo Safety & Security Upgrades, **\$110,000**

West Palm Beach Fire Department Contaminant Reduction Project, **\$116,000**

Riviera Beach - Shore, Palm, Riviera Drive Pavement Restoration, **\$350,000**

PBC Sheriff's Office Substation, **\$500,000**

# APPROPRIATIONS



- Palm Beach State College - Remodel of Student Library, **\$9,762,824**
- Regional Entrepreneurship Centers and Small Business Loan Fund, **\$2,000,000**
- Cox Science Center and Aquarium Expansion, **\$5,000,000**
- Peanut Island Historic Restoration, **\$1,000,000**
- YMCA of the Palm Beaches Community Center, **\$500,000**
- Town of Lake Clarke Shores - Pine Tree Lane Bridge Replacement, **\$250,000**
- City of Belle Glade Sidewalk Replacement, **\$250,000**
- City of Greenacres - Chickasaw Road Expansion Project, **\$250,000**
- City of Palm Beach Gardens RCA Boulevard Roadway Improvements, **\$400,000**

and more

**APPROPRIATIONS FOR  
PALM BEACH COUNTY over \$30,000,000**



# Major Session Bills Passed

## HB 491 Employment

- Lawmakers passed a bill that would loosen work restrictions on 16 and 17-year-old youths. For example, it would maintain a 30hour a week limit for the teens when school is in session but would allow parents or school superintendents to waive the limit.

TEEN  
WORKERS



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## Major Session Bills Passed

### **HB 1365 Unauthorized Camping and Public Sleeping**

**HOMELESS:** Lawmakers passed a controversial plan that would bar cities and counties from allowing homeless people to sleep at places such as public buildings and in rights of way. Local governments could designate sites for sleeping or camping if they meet certain standards.



# Major Session Bills Passed

## SB 484 Flood Disclosure in the Sale of Real Property

- Requires the seller of residential real property to complete and provide a flood disclosure to a purchaser of residential real property at or before the time the sales contract is executed

FLOOD  
DISCLOSURE



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# SOCIAL MEDIA

## Major Session Bills Passed

### **HB 3 Social Media Protection for Minors**

The bill will ban social media accounts for children under 14 and require parental permission for 15 and 16 year olds. It was slightly watered down from a proposal DeSantis vetoed a week before the annual legislative session ended



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# Major Session Bills Passed

## **SB 280 VACATION RENTALS**

Lawmakers passed a bill regulating short-term vacation rental platforms like Airbnb and Vrbo which preempts regulation to the state while local governments could have registration programs.

The bill says that the maximum overnight occupancy of a vacation rental cannot exceed two persons per bedroom, plus an additional two persons in one common area, or more than two persons per bedrooms if at least 50 square feet per person, plus an additional two persons in one common area, whichever is greater.

VACATION  
RENTALS



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