



Senator Bill Galvano



Notes from the Legislature

Purchase Flood Insurance Before Rate Increases

Be Prepared for the 2013 Hurricane Season

Florida Insurance Commissioner Kevin McCarty is encouraging Floridians to act now and purchase flood insurance before a rate increase, which will take effect on October 1, 2013. All homeowners, renters and business owners who live in a community participating in the [National Flood Insurance Program \(NFIP\)](#) are eligible. Check with your insurance agent for more information about enrollment to the NFIP.

2013 Scheduled Delegation Meetings

Hardee Delegation Meeting

Tuesday, October 15, 2013, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

DeSoto Delegation Meeting

Tuesday, October 15, 2013, 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Charlotte Delegation Meeting

Thursday, October 24, 2013, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Glades Delegation Meeting

Wednesday, October 30, 2013, 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Highlands Delegation Meeting

Wednesday, October 30, 2013, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Manatee Delegation Meeting

Wednesday, December 4, 2013, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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Hurricane Preparedness

Knowing, understanding and being prepared for storm season is imperative to avoiding the disastrous results of wind, rainfall and storm surges. Hurricane season started June 1, and lasts until November 30.

Click [here](#) to learn more about how to reduce the impact of a hurricane by being prepared.

Did You Know...?

* In the early 1820's, state legislators conducted government business by alternating sessions between Pensacola and St. Augustine.

* Three log cabins served as Florida's first Capitol.

* The name Tallahassee was derived from an old Muskogee word meaning "old town."

Have a Safe Holiday!

Fun Facts for the 4th:

* The Fourth of July was not considered an official national holiday until 1941.

* The stars on the original American flag were all in a circle so that all the colonies would appear equal.

* The first official Fourth of July party was held at the White House in 1801.

* The Declaration of Independence was signed by 56 men from 13 colonies.

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