



THE FLORIDA SENATE
SENATOR BEN ALBRITTON
President

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Senators
FROM: Ben Albritton
SUBJECT: Special Session F
DATE: May 27, 2026

Pursuant to the Governor's call, the Senate will convene in Special Session F on Monday, June 1, 2026, to consider a joint resolution placing a constitutional amendment on the November ballot that, if approved by voters, would significantly reduce property taxes for Florida homeowners.

We will send a schedule for the week when we receive the Governor's proclamation. We anticipate that the Governor will transmit his proposed joint resolution and an implementing bill to Senator Avila who intends to file the legislation as Senate Joint Resolution 2-F and Senate Bill 4-F. I will refer both to the Committee on Appropriations for consideration on Monday. All Senators are encouraged to watch this meeting and to be prepared for the Floor on Tuesday and, if necessary, Wednesday.

I commend Governor DeSantis for starting what has been a robust discussion on property tax relief throughout our state and to our partners in the Florida House for putting forward several meaningful and thoughtful proposals. Private property rights are fundamental to the American way of life. Respect for private property and protecting private property from the government has been a cornerstone of our democracy from its inception. As you know, changes to our property tax system require voter approval. As such, the vast majority of the conversations and discussions on this issue have been with our fellow Floridians. At the grocery store, gas station, church on Sundays, and everywhere in between, Floridians I speak with are clear in their support for reducing property taxes. I suspect we are all hearing the same things in our home communities. We trust our constituents and they deserve a chance to change the system and decide for themselves what role property taxes should have in our state.

Since the Governor first introduced this issue, my goal has been for the Senate to pass an amendment that gives voters the opportunity to reduce their property taxes in a straightforward

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and substantial way. In my view, the proposal the Governor explained today does that. I can't think of a more meaningful way to celebrate America's 250 than the passage of \$250,000 in tax relief for every Florida homeowner. I believe this amendment will provide meaningful relief for Florida families, while protecting businesses from extreme tax increases and safeguarding local funding for public safety, education and our clean water infrastructure.

I look forward to our discussion on this important issue next week.