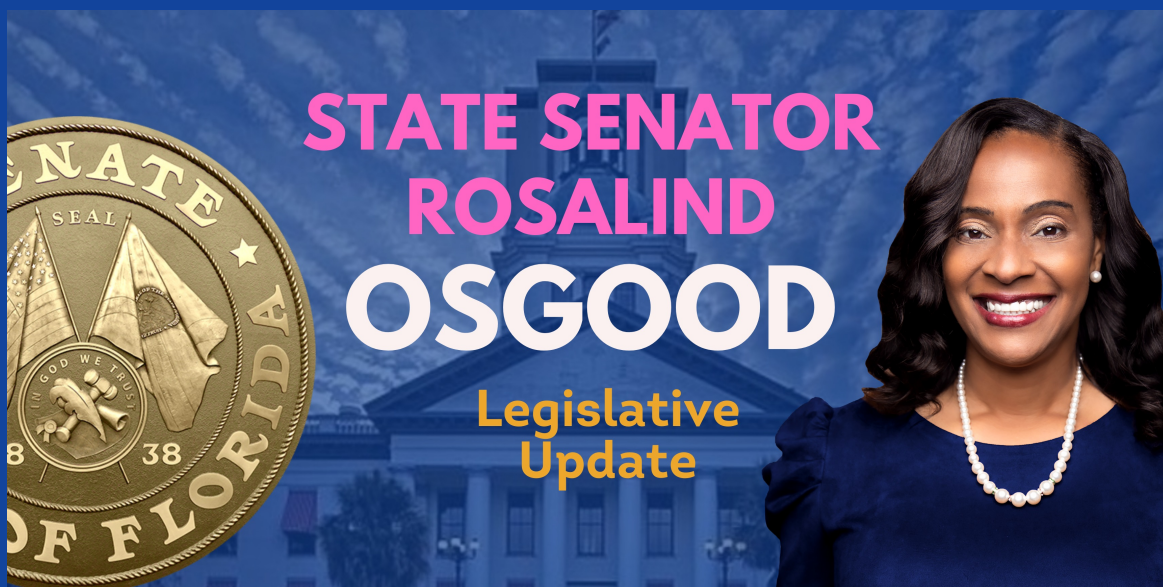


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Week Two!

Dear Residents,

As we conclude the second week of the 2024 Legislative Session in Tallahassee, I'm thrilled to share the progress and engagements that took place at the Florida Capitol!

I had the privilege of participating in Broward Days, where I connected with constituents, elected officials, and organizations, discussing crucial issues facing our community. Additionally, the Rally to Tally, an initiative that I have loved since I was a School Board Member, brought me face-to-face with high school students from Broward County, all driven by a shared purpose to actively engage in the legislative process.

Beyond these events, my commitment continues through active participation in committee meetings, where I vote on crucial matters affecting Floridians, ensuring that their voices are heard, and their concerns are addressed.

Looking forward, continue to anticipate receiving weekly updates straight to your inbox, offering valuable information on our progress and highlighting key developments in the legislative process.

I am grateful for the opportunity to represent you, and I am confident that, together with my colleagues, we can make a positive impact on the lives of Floridians. Stay tuned for further updates and thank you for entrusting me with the responsibility of shaping a better future for our great state!

Tuesday Talks Are Back!

I am delighted to bring back the much-anticipated Tuesday Talks, where we can connect, share ideas, and talk legislative updates. Mark your calendars grab your favorite cup of coffee and join me virtually via Facebook **every Tuesday at 8:00 a.m.!** Your presence and engagement are invaluable as we embark on this journey empowerment. I look forward to having you join me for Tuesday Talks, where your voice matters!

Live from the Florida Capitol:

I'll be hosting live sessions **every Tuesday at 8:00 a.m.**, directly from Florida Capitol! Explore firsthand the updates, news, and insights that shape the ongoing legislative process affecting our community.

Coffee Companion:

Make it a ritual! Grab your favorite cup of coffee, settle into a comfortable space, and let's engage in meaningful conversations about the issues that matter most to us.

Mark Your Calendar:

Every Tuesday during the 2024 Session, join me at **8:00 a.m.** to stay informed, connected, and actively involved in the discourse shaping our community's future.

Virtual Gathering on Facebook:

Connect with me on my Facebook at Rosalind Osgood to participate in this informative series.

This past Tuesday, I held an amazing Tuesday Talk where we discussed all things from Week Two of the 2024 Legislative Session. Check out the video below to catch the conversation and stay informed about the ongoing legislative updates!



Committee Highlights

This week, during the Education Pre-K - 12 Committee, I was thrilled to have supported a crucial school safety bill, [SB 1356](#), School Safety, spearheaded by **Senator Calatayud (R-Miami Dade County)**. In the face of the rising bullying and violence in schools, this legislation takes a proactive approach by empowering students with a mobile resource tool to report suspicious activity. This tool aims to create a safer and more comfortable educational environment.

However, it's important to acknowledge another piece of legislation read in the Regulated Industries Committee — [SB 1046](#), Gaming Activities by **Senator Martin (R-Lee County)**. I recognize that Florida is a gambling state. It's a part of the culture. While recognizing this, I find it challenging to support a bill that has the potential to criminally charge innocent individuals with a felony. I just can't, in good conscience, be in favor of a bill that imposes a harsher consequence without providing better education of the law first.

As we navigate through the legislative process, I hope that thoughtful amendments will be made to address and rectify these concerns, ensuring a fair and just approach to Florida's gaming legislation. It's crucial to strike a balance that respects the state's culture while safeguarding against unintended consequences.

To view my comments on both [SB 1356](#), School Safety, (video on the right), [SB 1046](#), Gaming Activities, along with more s (video on the left) please see below.



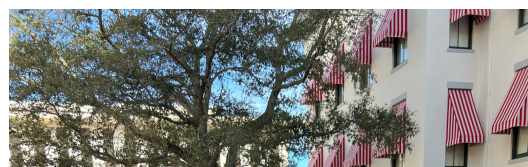
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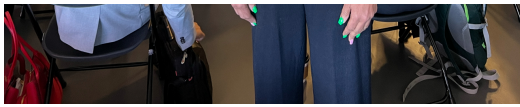




Broward Days

This week, I engaged with constituents, elected officials, and organizations during the annual Broward Days at the Capitol to discuss the crucial issues facing Broward County. Broward Days, held a few days out of the Legislative Session each year, focuses on the diverse needs of the County through impactful discussions, workshops, and events with state and local leaders in Tallahassee. I recognize the responsibility and value of ongoing conversations that produces a collaborative approach to understanding and addressing the current issues affecting our community. Together, we aim to build a stronger and more resilient Broward County!





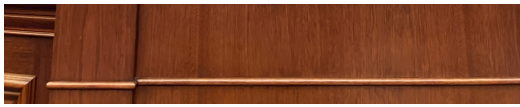
Rally to Tally

Rally to Tally, an initiative close to my heart since I was a School Board Member, provides Broward County students with a hands-on experience of the Florida government in action during the Legislative Session. Organized by Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) and involving students from various high schools across the district, this year, more than 45 students had the opportunity to visit the Florida Capitol and meet with legislators to share their ideas on issues that matter to them.

I had the privilege to meet Broward County students involved in the Rally to Tally initiative. Witnessing their advocacy efforts left a lasting impression and highlighted the positive impact of educational initiatives that encourage students to take an active role in shaping the future of their community.

Thank you, Rally to Tally students, for visiting my office. It was a pleasure meeting you and being inspired by your passion and commitment to the Rally to Tally initiative!

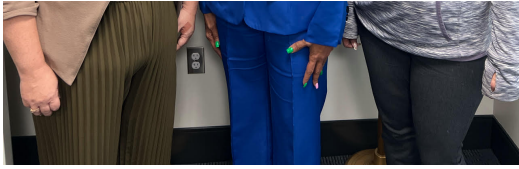




Office Flicks

In my office at the Florida Capitol, I find great joy in welcoming individuals to share their legislative interests – it's truly a highlight of my day! Engaging with constituents, having conversations about their legislative interests, and hearing their perspectives on important issues is something I genuinely enjoy. As the Legislative Session progresses, I highly encourage residents to reach out – whether by calling, emailing, or stopping by my office, Office 226, in the Florida Capitol – to share your valuable voice and opinions on the issues that matter. Your input is crucial, and I look forward to building a stronger connection with my community!





Committee Assignments

In the Florida Legislature, committees are established to vote on and propose solutions for the benefit of Florida's residents. These committees are tailored to specific issues and are named based on their intended purpose.

I am pleased to share that I have been appointed to several significant committees within the Florida Legislature, including the roles of Vice Chair on the Community Affairs Committee and membership in the Appropriations Committee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government, Education Pre-K -12, Fiscal Policy, Health Policy, Regulated Industries, Rules, and the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee. I am excited about the opportunity to contribute and make a positive impact in these important areas, and I eagerly look forward to the meaningful work ahead. **Please see below for more information on my assigned committees for the 2024 Legislative Session.**

Committee Assignments for the 2024 Legislative Session

Updated on January 12, 2023



CA

Community Affairs (Vice Chair): This committee is responsible for a broad range of issues relating to local governments.

AEG

Appropriations on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government: This committee is responsible for reviewing and making recommendations on the state budget for agriculture, environment, and general government programs

ED

Education Pre-K - 12: This committee is responsible for overseeing the state's education policies and programs for children from pre-k to 12th grade.

FP

Fiscal Policy: This committee is responsible for reviewing and analyzing Florida's fiscal policies and making recommendations to the Senate.

HP**Health Policy:** This committee is responsible for reviewing and proposing legislation related to health care policy in Florida.**RI****Regulated Industries:** This committee is responsible for maintaining a review of the work of state agencies concerned with their subject areas and the performance of the functions of government within each area.**RC****Rules:** This committee is responsible for reviewing all proposed bills to ensure that they follow the guidelines of the State.**JAPC****Joint Administrative Procedures:** This committee is responsible for ensuring that the rules adopted by the executive branch agencies do not create new law, and stay within the authority specifically delegated by the legislature.

Legislative Updates

After putting in months of groundwork, I've been actively working with my colleagues in the Senate and House to represent your interests. From advocating for enhanced healthcare services to pushing for comprehensive education reforms, our focus is on driving meaningful change and addressing the core concerns that matter most to our community. **Please see below for updated information on all of the bills I have filed for the 2024 legislative Session.**

Legislation Update: Current List of Filed Bills

Updated on January 19, 2023

**SB62****Resident Status for Tuition:** This bill changes the requirements for a person to be considered a resident for tuition purposes to include time spent in certain correctional institutions.**SB64****Landlords & Tenants:** This bill limits rent increases in certain circumstances and clarifies that a landlord can still terminate the rental agreement even if a partial payment is made.**SB252****Psychiatric Therapy:** This bill defines electroconvulsive treatment (ECT) and psychosurgical procedure requiring only physicians perform them and prohibits procedures on minors.**SB350****Cold Case Murders:** This bill allows local agencies to work on cold cases if they have the resources or turn them over to the Florida Dept. of Law Enforcement if they can't work the case.**SB354****Task Force on Missing & Murdered African-American Women:** This bill establishes the Task Force within the Florida Dept. of Law Enforcement to address and reduce violence against African-American women and girls.**SB372****State Certified Doulas:** This bill defines a "state-certified doula" and requires the Dept. of Health to create certification requirements, best practices, a public registry, and a list of entities with approved education/training for doulas.**SB374****Human Trafficking:** This bill revises the term "coercion" and authorizes the prosecution of specified offenses under the RICO Act. It requires several state agencies to establish awareness training programs and partnerships.**SB386****Affordable Housing Parking Requirements:** The bill requires counties and municipalities to reduce parking requirements for certain developments if specific conditions are met. **The concept of this bill is now in SB 328.****Sale of Rabbits:** This bill is designed to help curtail the growing wild rabbit population by

SB1426

requiring better accountability for rabbits sold by pet stores and prohibits the sale of rabbits during the months of March and April.

SB1446

Access to Contraception: This bill's primary purpose is to establish and protect the right to access contraception in the state of Florida.

SB1460

Child Support and Time-sharing Resulting from Unwanted Pregnancies: This bill sets the guidelines for pregnancies resulting from rape, incest or human trafficking if the victim is unable to receive an abortion.

SB1462

Reduction in Black Female and Women's Maternal Mortality Grant Program: This bill establishes the Reduction in Black Female and Women's Maternal Mortality Grant Program and aims reduce Black female and women's maternal mortality.

SB1610

Financial Accountability in Publicly Funded Education: This bill establishes universal standards for the use of public funds in the education system.

SB1688

Career-themed Courses: This bill requires school districts to inform middle school students and parents of career and technical education opportunities. **This bill is on Committee agenda in Education Pre-K -12 on January 23, 2024.**



Warm Regards,

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