



FLORIDA STATE SENATOR

ALEXIS CALATAYUD

DISTRICT 38



Legislative Session

Honored to be your voice in Tallahassee!



We are so excited and thankful for the opportunity to continue serving District 38!

In this Legislative Session update newsletter, we've included six of our sponsored bills. Each of our Senate bills has a companion bill in the House of Representatives and we partner with them to push the bill through the legislative process.

All laws start off as ideas that are then drafted into bills. Each bill must be referenced to several committees composed of elected members, and upon favorable consideration through each committee, they are voted on by all the Senators on the Senate floor.

If the bill is passed by the majority of the Senate and the House of Representatives, the bill will be sent to the Governor for consideration. The bill will be vetoed or passed and later enacted as a law.

Meet the Team

THIS IS NICOLE, ONE OF OUR LEGISLATIVE AIDES!

Nicole joined our team in December, following the 2024 election cycle! While earning her Bachelors degree in Political Science and Government from Florida State University, Nicole interned at Rubin Turnbull and Associates. Graduating in May of 2023 she then began working for the Florida House as a legislative aide. Moving between law firms, and campaign work, Nicole then landed her position here with Senator Calatayud!





Parkinson's Disease

ESTABLISHING A PARKINSON'S
DISEASE RESEARCH CONSORTIUM

SB 1800 creates a Consortium for Parkinson's Disease Research within the University of South Florida to conduct research on the causes, mechanisms, and potential treatment for Parkinson's disease.



Access to School Readiness Programs for Economically Disadvantaged Households

ADDRESSING THE LACK OF
AFFORDABLE CHILD CARE FOR
WORKING CLASS FAMILIES

SB 1382 increases the income eligibility to working families to receive subsidized childcare.



School Readiness Program

PROVIDING CONSISTENCY AND
PROPER SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN IN
EARLY EDUCATION

SB 1102 requires early learning providers that accept the disability supplemental to have proper training to support children with disabilities.

Removal of Altered Sexual Depictions Posted Without Consent

PROTECTING INDIVIDUALS LIKE BROOKE CURRY FROM DEEPPFAKE EXPLOITATION

SB 1400 requires online platforms to create a process for the removal of AI-generated images that include sexual depictions. Photographed here is Brooke who, unfortunately, was the victim of a deepfake created by a stranger and shared on Snapchat.



Diabetes Management in Schools

SUPPORTING SCHOOLS IN AN EFFORT TO KEEP STUDENTS HEALTHY AND SAFE

SB 722 authorizes schools to acquire and maintain glucagon to treat students with diabetes who experience a hypoglycemic emergency.



Coverage for Fertility Preservation Services

ADDRESSING CRITICAL ISSUES FACED BY CANCER PATIENTS

SB 924 pilots groundbreaking cancer patient support by covering standard fertility preservation services for individuals undergoing necessary medical treatments that may cause infertility.



2025 Appropriations

Appropriations are projects that request state funding, and require government approval. A few of our larger projects we are sponsoring are explained below.

1) PINECREST STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS

This project focuses on drainage improvements to sub-basin U35-S. The work will cover about 2,700 feet along SW 112 Street and SW 72 Avenue.

The project would install 18 new inlets, 12 manholes, 3 control structures, and 3,300 feet of piping and drainage systems. This would keep our streets safe and dry during heavy rains.

2) MIAMI DADE COUNTY GOULD CANAL FILLING AND RESTORATION

The Goulds Canal, one of our vital ecosystems, is facing an environmental threat from nearby land use that is impacting the health of Biscayne Bay. If funded, the project will hydrologically disconnect Goulds Canal to largely eliminate pollution being received by Biscayne Bay.

It will prevent contaminants from being drawn into the Goulds Canal, the adjacent L-31E canal and the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP) Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands S-705 pump station project.

3) CITY OF SOUTH MIAMI SEPTIC TO SEWER CONVERSION

The project aims to connect homes to a centralized sewer system, helping prevent septic system failures that can contaminate groundwater, surface water, and soil. It will also reduce unpleasant odors and improve sanitation.

Additionally, this conversion could lower maintenance costs for residents and enhance the community's infrastructure, leading to better health and increased property values in the long run.

The goal of these projects is to improve sanitation, reduce pollution, maintain safe roads, and enhance overall quality of life for our community.



Meet your Senator

Florida State Senator Alexis Calatayud is a champion for generational upward mobility and expanding educational/economic opportunities for Miami-Dade residents.

Calatayud has passed landmark legislation and funding to support the upward ascent of Floridians toward economic security and self-sufficiency. Her work for you revolves around lowering cost of living and increasing community affordability - from stabilizing and reducing property insurance rates, to expanding attainable housing options, to increasing access to affordable children's health insurance and investment in low-cost early childhood education. She serves as a member of Jackson Memorial System Public Health Trust.

Before her election to the Florida Senate in 2022, the Senator served for over a decade in multiple advocacy, policy, and campaign roles supporting Florida's education champions and advancing transformation education policies. Currently, Senator Calatayud acts as the Community Engagement & Public Policy Liaison for the Miami Dade & Monroe County Early Learning Coalition launching national learning exchanges and building special initiatives.

Previously, she served as Chief Lobbyist and Legislative Affairs Director at the Florida Department of Education during the COVID pandemic where she was responsible for advocating for the future of the education system to the Florida legislature. The Senator served as campaign manager for three Miami state representative races and worked as State Representative Vance Aloupis' Legislative Aide in the Florida House. Calatayud also partnered with regional and national nonprofits to train over 500 university campus' student leaders on state and federal elected official engagement strategies on higher education affordability issues, later developing national programs in Washington D.C. and in Florida. She served two terms as a member of the Board of Trustees for Florida International University, where she received a degree in Political Science and International Relations.



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