

# COME IN! GET TO KNOW THE FLORIDA SENATE

Dear Friend:

We are pleased that you have honored us with your visit. On behalf of all 40 Senators, allow me to welcome you and extend our warmest greetings.

This booklet has been designed to help you understand how we serve you and learn about our history. You're encouraged to acquaint yourself with these facilities in which decisions are made on education, transportation, agriculture, our budget, and other vital issues that affect your life on a daily basis.

Enjoy your visit in the Florida Senate and as always, we are here because of you and are proud to serve you.

Sincerely,

Curtis Peterson

President

# The Florida Senate

The Florida Senate is made up of 40 members, each from a single district representing about 300,000 Florida citizens.

They are elected for four year terms and may be elected for more than one term.

The 1982 Senate membership includes 31 men and 9 women. There are 32 Democrats and 8 Republicans whose professions or occupations include law, medicine, banking, business, agriculture and industry. The average senator is 48 years old, is married and has children. Thirty-three of the senators have college degrees and twenty-eight have held other public offices before they were elected to the Senate. Twenty-two senators served in the House of Representatives prior to their election to the Senate. Others have served in various capacities of local governments.

The Senate is presided over by a President elected by the members of the Senate for a two year term. Other officers of the Senate, also elected for a two year term, include the President Pro Tempore who assists the President and carries out duties assigned by him and presides in his absence; the Secretary and the Sergeant at Arms who are not members of the Senate but serve all members of the Senate under the direction of the President.



CURTIS PETERSON

President of the Senate

The President for the 1982-84 term is Senator Curtis
Peterson, a ten year veteran in the Senate and a nurseryman and registered landscape architect from Eaton Park in Polk County. The President Pro Tempore is Senator Jack D. Gordon, also a ten year veteran of the Senate and a savings and loan executive from Miami Beach.

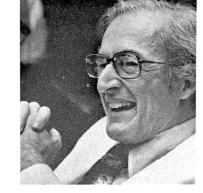
Additional information on these two officers, other officers, and members of the Senate is contained on the following pages of this booklet.

# The Florida Senate (continued)

The booklet also further outlines and describes the Senate and its operation and its relationship to the other House of the Legislature and the other two branches of Florida government.

The purpose of the booklet is to help you better understand your Senate and government, its members and operation, and its role of service to you the citizens of the State of Florida.

Message from the
President Pro Tempore



## Dear Visitor:

I would like to add my personal welcome to the Florida Senate and tell you that I appreciate very much your taking the time to visit and learn more about the operation of your state government. The history of the growth of an independent legislative body is very much the history of the growth and expansion of representative government in this country.

The Senate takes very seriously its role as representative of the people and, in that sense, the final authority in making the laws of the state. The rules, procedures and customs which have grown up over the years, in addition to the Constitution and laws which provide the framework for our actions, preserve the rights of all of the members to properly represent their constituents. I am sure your understanding of the legislative process will be increased by your observation and perusal of this book.

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Sincerely,

Jack D. Gordon

President Pro Tempore

# Officers of the Senate . . .

Curtis Peterson Democrat, District 12 President of the Senate

Nurseryman and registered landscape architect born August 23, 1922 in Lakeland education George Washington University; Florida Southern College; Sigma Nu wife Ethel Schultz of Chicago, IL children Curtis III and Peter affiliations past president of Florida Nurserymen and Growers Association; American Association of Nurserymen; director and past president of Agribusiness Institute of Florida; past president of Agricultural Tax Council; past chairman of Florida Agricultural Advisory Council; Lakeland Chamber of Commerce; Optimist; past director of Polk County Association for Retarded Citizens; SHARE Council; past director of Florida Sheriffs' Girls Villa: Polk County Democratic Executive Committee: Education Commission of the States: Governor's Commission on Secondary Education legislative service elected to the Senate in 1972, reelected subsequently; President Pro Tempore, 1980-82 highlights "Most Effective Member of the Senate." 1981, "Most Effective in Committee," 1977 and 1980 (Allen Morris Awards); United States Sugar Corporation Award, 1983-84; Florida Farm Bureau Honorary Director Award, 1982-83; Florida Community Development Association Distinguished Leadership Award, 1982; Women for Responsible Legislation Appreciation Award, 1982; Lake County Area Vocational-Technical Center Appreciation Award, 1982; Florida Council on Economic Education Appreciation Award, 1982; Lakeland Lions Appreciation Award, 1982; FVATA Appreciation, 1982; City of Lakeland Outstanding Service Award, 1982; Haines City Kiwanis Distinguished Service Award, 1982; Lakeland and Winter Haven Board of Realtors Award, 1982; Imperial Polk County Farm Bureau Award, 1982; Florida Southern College "Citrus Club Award," 1981; Florida Chiropractic Association, Inc., D.I. Rainey Legislative Award, 1981; Florida Industrial Arts Association "Man of the Year Award," 1981; Florida Association for Media in Education Award, 1981; Florida Home Builders Association/Home Builders Association of Polk County Award, 1980; Associated General Contractors of America Service to Citizens Award, 1980; Florida Coalition for Education of Exceptional Students Award, 1978-79; Agribusiness Institute of Florida White Hat Award, 1979; Dairy Farmers, Inc. Appreciation Award, 1979; Florida School Boards Association "Outstanding Service Award," 1978; Florida Association Distributive Education Teachers Appreciation Award, 1978; Polk Educational Media Association Outstanding Service Award, 1978; Florida Association of Community Colleges Legislative Service Award, 1978; Florida Citrus Mutual Outstanding Service Award, 1977; Gamma Sigma Delta Merit Award, 1976; Florida Farm Bureau Legislator of the Year, 1976; Florida Association for Retarded Children "Senator of the Year," 1974; Polk County Association for Retarded Children Outstanding Service Award, 1974; Florida Agricultural Advisory Council Distinguished Service Award, 1961-72; Florida Nurseryman of the Year, 1962; Scouter Award, 1961 historical I. Hardin Peterson, uncle, was U.S. Congressman from Florida for 18 years; E.J. Etheredge, cousin, from DeSoto County, was elected to the Florida House in 1921, and to Florida Senate District 27 in 1923, 1925 and 1927; David Godfrey Harmon Geiger, greatgrandfather, from Lafayette County, was elected to the Florida House in 1907; David Clayton Geiger, great-uncle, from Lafayette County, was elected to the Florida House in 1923 and 1933 military service U.S. Coast Guard, World War II convoy duty in Atlantic and Caribbean church Baptist recreation travel, hiking and reading addresses (district) P.O. Box 180, Eaton Park 33840 (Tallahassee) The Capitol, Suite 409-C or 252 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 813/665-5545 (Tallahassee) 904/488-6260 or 488-5176.

# Officers of the Senate (continued)

Jack D. Gordon Democrat, District 35 President Pro Tempore

Real estate development and financial consultant born June 3, 1922 in Detroit, MI. Moved to Florida in 1940 education University of Michigan, B.A., 1942, Phi Epsilon Pi children Andrew, Deborah and Jonathan affiliations member of National Governing Council; American Jewish Congress; past president of South Florida Division, American Friends of Hebrew University; former director of National Association of Better Business Bureaus; former director of National Council of Senior Citizens; former state chairman of Concerned Democrats of Florida; honorary member of United Steelworkers of America legislative service elected to the Senate in 1972, reelected subsequently other public service Dade County Board of Public Instruction, 1961-69; chairman of Miami Beach Tourist Development Authority, 1971-72; chairman and member of Miami Beach Housing Authority, 1949-56; Dade County Community Relations Board, 1972; Dade County Economic Opportunity Program Board, 1964-67; Governor's Commission on Quality Education in Florida, 1966; U.S. Advisory Panel on Teacher Training, 1968-71; U.S. Advisory Committee on State Departments of Education, 1965-70; housing finance consultant to U.S. State Department in Latin America and Africa, 1959-71; housing finance consultant to United Nations Technical Assistance Program, 1963-70 highlights Veterans of Foreign Wars Americanism Award; Dade County Classroom Teachers Association School Bell Award; First Unitarian Church Living Religion Award; Miami Beach Taxpayers Association Outstanding Citizens Award; Costa Rican National Institute of Housing citation for encouraging savings and home ownership; American Civil Liberties Union Stanley Milledge Award, 1973; "Most Effective in Committee," 1976, runner-up as "Most Effective in Debate," 1980-81, runner-up as "Most Effective Member of the Senate, 1981 (Allen Morris Awards); Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce Man of the Year, 1975; Florida International University Distinguished Service Award, 1978; TIGER Award, 1978-79; Nelson Poynter Civil Liberties Award, 1979; Dade County National Organization for Women Gwendolyn S. Cherry Award, 1979; National Council of Jewish Women Hannah G. Solomon Award, 1980; FIU Distinguished Visiting Lecturer, Political Science, 1982 military service U.S. Army, combat infantryman church [ewish recreation walking addresses (district) 420 Lincoln Road, Suite 256, Miami Beach 33139 (Tallahassee) 405 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/531-7297 (Tallahassee) 904/488-3497.

# **Elected non-member officers**

At its organization session every two years, the Senate elects a Secretary of the Senate and a Sergeant at Arms. These two officers are not members of the Senate, but they work closely with the senators and with committee staffs.

The Secretary of the Senate keeps all Senate records and authenticates each act and joint resolution passed by the Senate. The Secretary also publishes the journal and the calendar. He supervises Legal Research and Drafting, which drafts proposed legislation.

The Sergeant at Arms maintains order in the chamber, in the gallery and in committee rooms. He is in charge of property acquisition and is responsible for the maintenance of all Senate property.



# Joe Brown Secretary of the Senate

born July 15, 1932 in Columbus, GA. Moved to Florida 1932 education University of Florida, B.S.J., 1958, and graduate studies; Florida State University, 1972-73; Florida A&M University, 1973; student publications; student government; Sigma Delta Chi; Alpha Gamma Rho wife Terrell Taft of Winter Park children Joe, Charles and Julie affiliations staff vice president of National Conference of State Legislatures; past president of American Society of Legislative Clerks and Secretaries; advisor and/or counselor, Boys State, Girls State, YMCA Youth Legislature and Silver Haired Legislature; state board, YMCA; past officer in American Legion,

Elks, Sigma Delta Chi, Jaycees, Kiwanis, Boy Scouts, University of Florida Alumni Association; Florida Blue Key honorary other public service Hotel and Restaurant Commissioner, 1969; Deputy Beverage Director, 1967-68; State Tourist Director, 1967; executive assistant to the Commissioner of Agriculture, 1961-67; University of Florida faculty, 1960-61 highlights staff director of Senate Governmental Operations Committee, 1971-72; director of management and staff of the Senate, 1973-74; elected Secretary of the Senate, April 2, 1974, reelected subsequently military service U.S. Air Force, Korea; U.S. Coast Guard Reserve church Methodist recreation hunting, fishing, camping and cooking address The Capitol, Suite 404, Tallahassee 32301 telephone 904/488-1621.



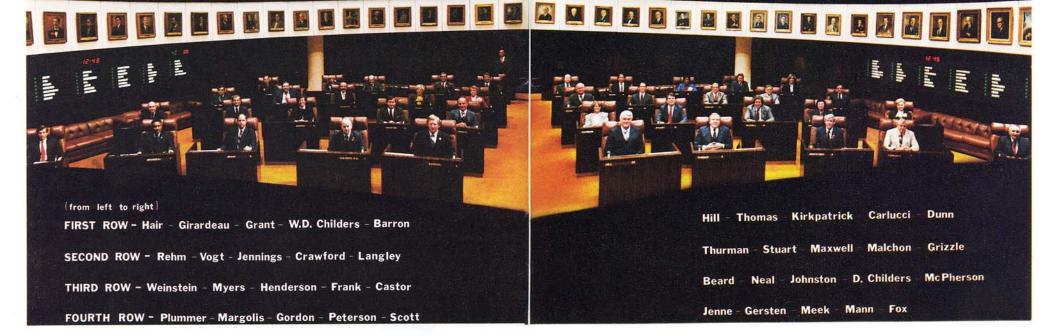
# Wayne W. Todd, Jr. Sergeant at Arms

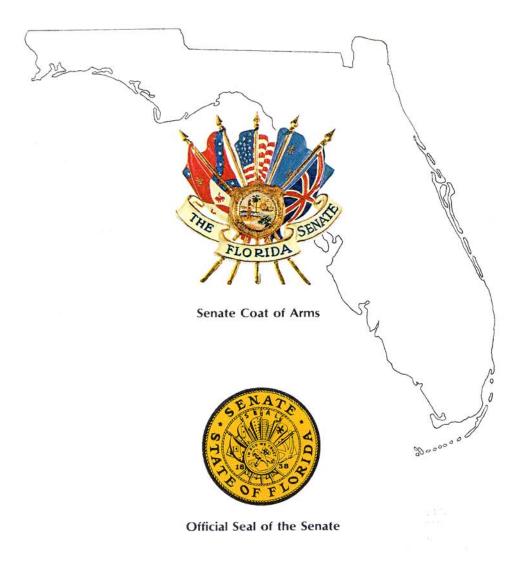
born July 19, 1944 in Tallahassee education Florida State University, B.S., 1968; Florida State University College of Law, 1968-69 wife Dorothy Ann Sadler of St. Petersburg children Kathryn Jennifer and Julie Hunt affiliations Elks; National Conference of State Legislatures, National Services & Security Association highlights Florida Jaycees "Distinguished Service Award;" United States Jaycees Outstanding Young Men in America, 1974; state chairman of Jaycees Governmental Affairs Committee; U.S. Marshall's Training Academy, Washington, D.C., "Specialized Security" certificate, 1972; acting Sergeant at Arms, July,

1982; elected Sergeant at Arms of the Senate, November 16, 1982 military service Florida National Guard, 1962-66 church Methodist recreation hunting and fishing address The Capitol, Suite 403, Tallahassee 32301 telephone 904/488-1383.

THE 1982 -83 FLORIDA

SENATE IN SESSION





A seal and a coat of arms for the Senate were adopted by law (section 11.49(1)(2), F.S.) in 1972. The five flags in the seal and the coat of arms are those which have flown over Florida.

# Members of the Senate



Dempsey J. Barron Democrat, District 3 Dean of the Senate

Attorney, businessman and rancher born March 5, 1922 in Andalusia, AL. Moved to Florida in 1924 education Florida State University, B.S.; University of Florida, J.D. wife Louverne Hall of Graceville children Steve and Stuart affiliations American, Florida, Fourteenth Judicial Circuit and Bay County Bar Associations legislative service House of Representatives, 1956-60; elected to the Senate in 1960, reelected subsequently; President Pro Tempore, 1967-68; President, 1974-76; Dean of the Senate and Dean of the Legislature highlights "Most Valuable Member of the Senate," 1982 (St. Petersburg Times Award); "Most

Effective Member of the Senate," 1974, 1975, 1977 and 1980, "Most Effective in Committee," 1972, "Most Effective in Debate," 1971 and 1979 (Allen Morris Awards); Constitution Revision Commission, 1977-78; Florida March of Dimes Award, 1976; Tampa Bay Good Government Award, 1975-76; Florida Academy of Family Physicians Freedom Heritage Award, 1976; Florida Jaycees Good Government Award, 1966; president of House of Representatives Freshman Club, 1957; Unified Sportsmen of Florida Legislator of the Year Award, 1980 and 1982 military service U.S. Navy, Pacific and European theaters during World War II recreation hunting and fishing addresses (district) P.O. Box 1638, Panama City 32401 (Tallahassee) 205 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 904/785-7454 (Tallahassee) 904/488-0316.



Malcolm E. Beard Democrat, District 22

State Senator born February 21, 1919 in Moultrie, GA. Moved to Florida in 1924 education University of Tampa wife Mary Ellen Moreau of Oak Hill, WV children Thomas M. Beard and Barbara Mullins affiliations past president of Florida Sheriffs Association; past president of Justices of the Peace and Constables Association; past president of FBI National Academy Associates of Florida; past president of Boys Clubs of Tampa; past state director of National Sheriffs Association; board of directors: Florida Bureau of Law Enforcement, Florida Sheriffs Boys Ranch, Girls Club of Tampa Gulf Ridge Council, Boy Scouts of America; board of

directors and general chairman of Hillsborough County Scout-O-Rama, 1968; Egypt Temple Shrine Honor Patrol legislative service House of Representatives, 1978-80; elected to the Senate, March 25, 1980, reelected subsequently other public service constable of Hillsborough County, 1957-65; sheriff of Hillsborough County, 1965-78; State Commission on Human Relations, 1969-72; Governor's Commission on Standards and Goals, 1974-75; Advisory Committee, Supreme Court on Plea Bargaining, Sentencing and Bail on Appeal, 1975; Governor's Task Force on Correctional System, 1975; mutual aid coordinator of Interagency Law Enforcement Planning Council, Region V. 1971-73 highlights Governor's Medal, 1967; Tampa Jaycees Award for Good Government, 1967-68; Hillsborough County Bar Association Liberty Bell Award, 1968; Sertoma International Freedom Award, 1969; Optimist International, Florida District, Law Enforcement Award, 1974; Black Community Professional Award, 1975; National Conference of Christians and Jews Silver Medallion Award, 1977 military service U.S. Navy, World War II, 1942-45 church First Christian, Deacon recreation hunting and fishing addresses (district) P.O. Box 16516, Temple Terrace 33687 [Tallahassee] 242 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 813/272-6708 (Tallahassee) 904/488-1730.



# Joe Carlucci Democrat, District 8

General lines insurance agent, merchant, investor **born** January 5, 1929 in New York, NY. Moved to Florida in 1945 **education** Florida State University; University of Miami Law School; Delta Theta Phi legal fraternity; manager of 1947-48 FSU football teams **wife** Louise Moore of Jacksonville **children** Matthew F. and Michael Trower **affiliations** board of directors, Police Council; Jacksonville Life Underwriters Association; National Rifle Association; past cubmaster and past troop committee chairman, Boy Scouts of America; past chairman of the board, Jacksonville Art Museum; past president of Bolles School Dad's Club;

National Wild Turkey Federation legislative service elected to the Senate in 1978, reelected subsequently other public service City of Jacksonville Councilman at Large, 1968-78 highlights Jacksonville Jaycees "Most Outstanding Governmental Leader Award," 1979; Richard P. Daniel Award as "Distinguished Councilman of the Year," 1968-69, 1971-72; Claude J. Yates award as "Outstanding Councilman of the Year," 1969; WAK award for "Most Outstanding in Governmental Service;" Fraternal Order of Police award for dedicated service and personal concern for law enforcement in your community; Scout Master's Key; Scouters Award church Assembly of God recreation fishing, hunting and cooking addresses (district) 3733 University Boulevard, West, Suite 117, Jacksonville 32217 (Tallahassee) 212 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 904/733-8888 (Tallahassee) 904/488-7446.



Betty Castor Democrat, District 21

Educator born May 11, 1941 in Glassboro, NJ. Moved to Florida in 1966 education Glassboro State College, B.A., 1963; University of Miami, Coral Gables, M.A., 1968 children Katherine, Karen and Frank affiliations past president of Hillsborough County League of Women Voters; Florida Education Council; Florida Mental Health Association; Florida Endowment for the Humanities; board of trustees, Tampa Women's Hospital; United Way of Tampa legislative service elected to the Senate, 1976-78; reelected to the Senate in 1982 other public service past chairman of Board of County Commissioners, Hillsborough County,

1972-76; past chairman of Hospital and Welfare Board; past chairman of Environmental Protection Commission; Aviation Authority, 1975; Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council **highlights** Town 'N Country Jaycee's "Good Government Award," 1975; Florida Education Association/United TIGER Award, 1977; nominated for "Most Effective Legislator," 1978 (St. Petersburg Times Award) **church** Lutheran **recreation** tennis **addresses** (district) 13902 North Dale Mabry, Suite 215, Tampa 33618 (Tallahassee) 204 Senate Office Building, 32301 **telephones** (district) 813/272-5147 (Tallahassee) 904/487-3356.



## Donnell C. "Don" Childers Democrat, District 28

Insurance executive; bank advisory board member born March 3, 1932 in Skipperville, AL. Moved to Florida in 1960 education Troy State University, B.S., 1960 wife Kay Bess of Miami children Lisa, Don, Jr. and Timothy affiliations past treasurer and board member of Christian Manors, Inc. (Senior Citizens Home in West Palm Beach); past member of Boy Scouts of America legislative service elected to the Senate in 1974, reelected subsequently other public service past member of Executive Democratic Committee, Palm Beach County; present member of Local Democratic Clubs, Palm Beach County; Florida Delegate,

Democratic National Convention, 1972; Florida Delegate, Democratic National Mini-Convention, Kansas City, MO, 1974; chairman of Select Subcommittee on Division of Youth Services, 1975; National Conference of State Legislatures, State-Federal Relations Assembly, Committee on Human Resources, 1977; Florida Crime Prevention Commission Advisory Council; member of State Board of Education Task Force on Migrant Education, 1979; chairman of Administrative Procedures Committee, 1979; member of Primary Education (PREP) Council, 1979-81 highlights chairman of Palm Beach County Legislative Delegation, 1982; Florida Personnel and Guidance Association Outstanding Legislator Award; Palm Beach County Classroom Teacher's Association plaque for Services to Public Education; Florida Wildlife Federation, Special Service Award; Palm Beach County School Board, Certificate of Appreciation for Advancing Education; Florida PTA "Appreciation Award for Outstanding Contribution to PTA and Children of Florida" military service U.S. Air Force church Baptist recreation fishing, hunting and football addresses (district) 2700 Forest Hill Boulevard, West Palm Beach 33406 (Tallahassee) 318 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/964-6464 (Tallahassee) 904/488-7364.



# W. D. Childers Democrat, District 1

Businessman born November 25, 1933 in Okaloosa County education Florida State University, B.S., 1955 wife Ruth A. Johnson of Wakeeney, KS children Gail, Jeanna, Karen and Marvel affiliations Lions Club; Farm Bureau; Ferry Pass Lodge 348 legislative service elected to the Senate in 1970, reelected subsequently; President, 1981-82 highlights "Most Effective in Debate," 1975, 1976 and 1980, "Most Effective in Committee," 1978 and runner-up in 1979, "Most Effective Member of the Senate," 1979 (Allen Morris Awards); Florida Credit Union League, Inc., "Outstanding Legislative Service Award," 1973-79; Legislator of the Year

for Outstanding Service to Vision Care in the State of Florida, 1975; Unified Sportsmen Service Award, 1977-79; Associated Builders and Contractors of Florida, Inc., "Legislator of the Year Award," 1980; Jaycees Good Government Award, 1980; Kiwanis Club 59th Annual Civic Award, 1981; Florida Blue Key Honorary Membership, 1981; Pensacola Civitan Club 1980 citation for Outstanding Civic Service in the Promotion of Good Citizenship, 1981; taught high school science and mathematics in Santa Rosa County before going into private business church Baptist recreation fishing, hunting and camping addresses (district) 2869 Michigan Avenue, Pensacola 32506 (Tallahassee) 211 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 904/944-3900 (Tallahassee)



## Robert B. "Bob" Crawford Democrat, District 13

Owner of real estate and securities investment firm; property management—ranch, citrus and commercial born January 26, 1948 in Bartow education University of Miami; debate team; Delta Sigma Rho, national forensic honorary wife Nancy Sue Caswall of Bartow children Robert Bruce, IV and Kristin Nicole affiliations past state director of Jaycees; Kiwanis; past vice president of Young Democrats of Polk County; Polk County Criminal Justice Task Force; board of directors, Polk County Coalition for Children & Youth; member, board of directors, Winter Haven Hospital Foundation Board; campaign chairman, Division 10 of

the American Heart Association which includes Polk, Hardee and Highlands Counties legislative service House of Representatives, 1976-82; elected to the Senate in 1982 other public service administrative assistant to Attorney General, 1975-76 church Baptist recreation tennis and boating addresses (district) P.O. Box 9445, Winter Haven 33882 (Tallahassee) 254 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 813/299-6759 (Tallahassee) 904/487-3366.



# Edgar M. Dunn, Jr. Democrat, District 10

Attorney born February 14, 1939, Daytona Beach education University of Florida, B.A., 1962; University of Florida Law Center, J.D., 1967 wife Margaret McCurry of Daytona Beach children Wesley, Kathleen, Christine and Julie affiliations Daytona Beach Chamber of Commerce; Florida Bar; American Bar Association; University of Florida Law Center Council; Civic League of Halifax Area; Knights of Columbus; American Legion; American Judicature Society legislative service elected to the Senate in 1974, reelected subsequently other public service General Counsel to Governor Reubin Askew, 1971-73; Governor's Council on

Criminal Justice, 1973-74; Florida Delegate to National Council on Criminal Justice Standards and Goals, 1973; Assistant State Attorney for 7th Judicial Circuit, 1970 and 1973; Assistant City Attorney, City Prosecutor for Daytona Beach, 1969; Volusia County Charter and Study Commission, 1969-70; Environmental Lands Management Study Committee II, 1982-84; Florida Council on Criminal Justice, 1982-83 highlights runner-up as "Most Effective in Debate," 1978 and 1979 (Allen Morris Awards); Daytona Beach Jaycees "Good Government Award," 1977; runner-up as "Most Valuable Member of the Senate," 1976 (St. Petersburg Times Award); Florida Academy of Trial Lawyers "Outstanding Legislative Contribution Award," 1976; Florida Prosecuting Attorneys Association "Furtherance of Justice Award," 1973; "Meritorious Service Award" for civilian service in the U.S. National Guard, 1972; Daytona Beach Jaycees "Outstanding Young Man of the Year Award," 1970: Daytona Beach Civitan Club "Man of the Year Award," 1970: Daytona Beach Knights of Columbus "Man of the Year Award," 1970; Florida Personnel and Guidance Association "Outstanding Legislator Award," 1979; St. John's River Water Management District "Award of Appreciation"; Mental Health Board, HRS District IV, "Award in Recognition of Outstanding Services for Volusia County Mental Health," 1976; Daytona Beach Chapter of the Florida Engineering Society "Dedication to Good Government for the People of Florida Award," 1977; Florida Association of the American Institute of Architects "President's Award," 1979; Volusia County Museum of Arts & Sciences "Award of Distinction," 1979; Florida Chiropractic Association "D.I. Rainey Legislative Award," 1979; Volusia County Right to Life Committee "Award for Distinguished Service in Support of the Unborn," 1980; Florida Family Support Council "Recognition of Leadership and Support," 1980; Common Cause/Florida "Outstanding Legislator Award," 1980; Florida Society of Ophthalmology "Award for Dedication and Diligence in Serving the State of Florida," 1981; FTP-NEA "Friend of Education Award," 1981; Florida Right to Life Committee "Award of Appreciation," 1981; Florida Alcohol & Drug Abuse Association's "Legislator of the Year Award," 1982; Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association's "1982 Annual Legislative Award;" Disabled Citizens in Action "Senator of the Year Award," 1982; Florida Audubon Society "Legislative Excellence Award," 1982; Florida Sierra Club

"Legislative Award," 1982; Roman Catholic Church "Award for Distinguished Service in the Senate of the State of Florida," 1982 **military service** U.S. Army, infantry and counter-intelligence, captain **church** Catholic **recreation** fishing, photography and racquetball **addresses** (district) P.O. Drawer 2600, Daytona Beach 32015 (Tallahassee) 313 Senate Office Building, 32301 **telephones** (district) 904/258-1776 (Tallahassee) 904/488-4490.



## Roberta Fox Democrat, District 40

Attorney born November 25, 1943 in Philadelphia, PA. Moved to Florida in 1956 education University of Florida, B.A., 1964, J.D., 1967; John Marshall Bar Association; editor of Law School Paper; Phi Alpha Delta; Honor Court Bar Association husband Myron Gold of Miami child Shari Anna Gold affiliations Business and Professional Women's Club, Dade Club; Florida Women's Lawyer's Association; Florida Bar Association; Coral Gables Crime Watcher Program; Dade County Democratic Women's Club; Women in Prison Task Force; Battered Spouse Task Force; YWCA; National and Florida Women's Political Caucuses; League

of Women Voters; American Association of University Women; Citizens' League, Inc.; National Organization for Women; American Women Panel; Transition, Inc.; Planned Parenthood; Common Cause legislative service House of Representatives, 1976-82; elected to the Senate in 1982 highlights Who's Who of American Women, 1977; Personalities of the South; Dade County National Organization for Women Sojourner Truth Award, 1976; Assembly of Governmental Employees "Outstanding State Legislator Award," 1979; Florida Outstanding Young Women, 1979; One of Ten Outstanding Young Women of America, 1979; Historical Association of Southern Florida Award, 1979; FEA United TIGER C.O.P.E. Award, 1979 and 1980; UTD TIGER C.O.P.E. Award, 1979; Governor's Legislative Friend of the Art's Award, 1980; Florida N.O.W. "Women of the 80's Award," 1980; Florida Education Association Council of President's Education Award, 1980 recreation swimming, boating and bridge addresses (district) 4601 Ponce de Leon Boulevard, Suite 310, Coral Gables 33146 [Tallahassee] 200 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/446-3618 [Tallahassee] 904/487-3354.



### Pat Collier Frank (Mrs. Richard Harlan) Democrat, District 23

Legislator and business economist **born** November 12, 1929 in Cleveland, OH. Moved to Florida in 1936 **education** University of Florida, B.S.B.A., 1951; Georgetown University School of Law; Hall of Fame; Mortar Board **husband** Richard Harlan Frank **children** Stacy, Hillary and Courtney **affiliations** Athena Society; Tampa Bay Committee on Foreign Relations; Chi Omega Sorority; Tampa Y (YMCA-YWCA); Florida Women's Network **legislative service** House of Representatives, 1976-78; elected to the Senate in 1978, reelected subsequently **other public service** Hillsborough County School Board, 1972-76, chairman, 1975-76; Region

VI Health and Rehabilitative Services Advisory Council; acting chairman of Region VIII Drug Advisory Council; Florida Phosphate Land Reclamation Study Commission; Special Ambassador for the United States to the Independence of St. Vincent's Island, 1979; member of Southern Regional Education Board; National Committee of Advanced Leadership Program Services (ALPS); Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Task Force; Joint Executive and Legislative Task Force for Teacher Quality Improvement; Governor's Commission on Secondary Schools highlights first woman to receive award as "Most Effective First-Term Member of the House," 1978 (Allen Morris Award); runner-up as "Most Valuable Member of the House," 1978 (St. Petersburg Times Award); TIGER Award, 1977, 1978, 1979 and 1981; selected by House leaders as the most promising freshman legislator of the 1977 legislative session; honorary member of Delta Kappa Gamma (Women Educators' Honor Society); honorary life member of the Hillsborough

County Council of PTA's; first woman admitted to Georgetown University Law School; Kappa Delta Pi "Educator of the Year Award," 1979; Tampa Jaycee's "Good Government Award," 1979; NEA-FTP "Friends of Education Award," 1977; officer of the first class admitting women to the University of Florida; "Outstanding Service to Vocational Education Award," 1982; Florida Association of School Administrators "Gavel of Authority Award," 1981; Phi Delta Kappa "Appreciation for Contributions to Education Award," 1981; Florida Association District Instructional Materials Administrators "Appreciation Award," 1981; National Society to Prevent Blindness "People of Vision Award," 1981; "Florida Council of Handicapped Organizations Award," 1980; Women in Communications "Athena Award," 1980; Florida "N.O.W. Award," 1979 church Episcopal recreation music and needlepoint addresses (district) 238 E. Davis Blvd., Suite C, Tampa 33606 (Tallahassee) 312 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 813/272-6614 (Tallahassee) 904/488-4929.



## Joseph M. "Joe" Gersten Democrat, District 34

Attorney born July 19, 1947 in Miami education Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan, 1969; New York University, B.S., 1970; University of Maryland, M.A., 1972; University of Miami School of Law, J.D., 1975 wife Janet Cutler, M.D. of Boston, MS affiliations Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce; National Conference of State Legislators; board member of Coconut Grove Cares; American ORT Federation; Tropical Audubon Society; Florida Bar Association; board member of American Jewish Committee legislative service House of Representatives, 1974-81; elected to the Senate in 1981, reelected subsequently highlights extensive travel

throughout Europe, Russia, Central Asia, India and the Orient; Florida/National Wildlife Federation's "Conservation Legislator of the Year Award," 1979 historical J.N. Morris, grandfather, was Judge of the Circuit Court, 11th Judicial Circuit (Dade County); Louie Bandel, great uncle, was Florida State Racing Commission chairman and Dade County Court Judge; Joseph J. Gersten, father, is Judge of the Circuit Court 11th Judicial Circuit (Dade County), former chairman of Board of Bar Examiners, and Miami Municipal Court Judge; David M. Gersten, brother, is Judge of the Circuit Court 11th Judicial Circuit, (Dade County), former Dade County Court Judge recreation sailing and photography addresses (district) 1050 Spring Garden Road, Miami 33136 [Tallahassee] 240 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/324-1930 [Tallahassee] 488-2263.



Arnett E. Girardeau, D.D.S. Democrat, District 7

Dentist born July 15, 1929 in Jacksonville education Howard University, B.S., 1952, D.D.S., 1962; post graduate work at Wayne State University and Fisk University wife Matilda Carolyn Lee of New Hill, NC children Arnetta and Arnett Elysus, Jr. affiliations Florida Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Associations; Jacksonville Dental Society; board of directors of Academy of Dentistry; Dental Laboratories committee Dental Society; Florida State Dental Association; board of directors of Eartha M. White Nursing Home; advisory committee, Florida Junior College Dental Assistants; charter president of Northwest Council Chamber of

Commerce; board of governors, Chamber of Commerce; president of Howard University Alumni legislative service House of Representatives, 1976-82; elected to the Senate in 1982 other public service vice president of NAACP, 1962-66; board of directors of Greater Jacksonville Economic Opportunities, 1967-72; president of Community Urban Development Council, 1969-72; president and vice president of United Jax, 1969-70; Jacksonville Housing Authority, 1970-74; Mayor's Ad Hoc Committee on Fuel Crisis, 1974; Citizens Against Crime, Steering Committee, 1974-75; president of Black Community Coalition, 1970-75; Mayor's Task Force on East Jacksonville Civil Disorder, 1969; co-chairman of Jacksonville Home Town Plan, Advisory Committee, 1972-75; board of directors of Traveler's Aid, 1973-74; Kansas City Mini Convention; chairman of District 9

Committee, 1975; Florida Human Relations Commission, 1971-73; Duval co-coordinator of McGovern for President, 1972; State Action Council, 1975; Council of Leadership for Community Advancement, 1973; executive committee, Jacksonville Council on Citizens Involvement, 1974-75; at large member of State Central Committee of Democratic Party; chairman of Affirmative Action Committee, 1976; Florida Advisory Committee to the Federal Civil Rights Commission; Jacksonville Metropolitan Criminal Justice Advisory Council; past chairman of Corrections, Justice Model & Correctional System Subcommittee highlights American Spirit Honor Medal for outstanding achievement in leadership, 1953; Jacksonville Urban League Award, 1972; Gallant Ladies of Pittsburgh "Award for Work in Education Advancement," 1973; Edward Waters College Award, 1973; Howard University College of Dentistry, instructor, 1962; Jacksonville Community Relations Commission "Award for Outstanding Service," 1974-75; Phi Delta Kappa National Sorority "Award for Dedicated Service and Civic Affairs," 1976; Florida Human Relations Commission Legislative Achievement Award, 1977; Florida Junior College Student Government Award, 1978; Florida Medical, Dental, and Pharmaceutical Award, 1977; State Action Council Award, 1978; Jacksonville Area Sickle Cell Association Honors, 1979; Edward Waters College, Annual Founders' Day and Alumni Award, 1980; Duval Teachers United Certificate of Appreciation, 1980; Florida Dental Association "Outstanding Contribution to the Legislature," 1980; Sickle Cell Foundation, Inc., Tampa, Leadership in Community Involvement, 1980; Hospice of Northeast Florida, 1981; Florida Chiropractic Association "Outstanding Contribution to Quality Health Care for the Citizens of Florida," 1982; Florida Nurserymen and Growers Association, Appreciation Award, 1982; National Handicapped Awareness Award, 1982; Rotary International, Hilliard, Certificate of Appreciation, 1982 historical Richard L. Brown, great-uncle, last black from Duval county to serve in the Florida Legislature during Reconstruction, 1881-83 military service U.S. Army, signal corps church Methodist recreation fishing, boating and golf addresses (district) 26 East Sixth Street, Jacksonville 32206 (Tallahassee) 324 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 904/354-3369 (Tallahassee) 904/487-3346.



Bill Grant Democrat, District 5

Banking born February 21, 1943 in Lake City education Florida State University, B.S., marketing, 1963; president of class; Gold Key Honorary; Circus; officer of Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity; FSU Senate; University of Florida; American Institute of Banking wife Martha Carter of Perry children John and Carter affiliations past president of Jaycees, Rotary, and Chamber of Commerce; president of Florida 4-H Foundation; chairman of Madison County Development Authority; past president of Independent Bankers of Florida; board of directors of Independent Bankers Association of America; past board member of Florida Bankers

Association; board of directors and president of Bank of Madison County; vice-chairman board of directors of Lafayette County State Bank; state representative of Conference of State Bank Supervisors; board of directors and district vice president of Florida Forestry Association legislative service elected to the Senate in 1982 other public service Sunday school teacher; past chairman of Deacons of First Baptist Church of Madison; treasurer of Salvation Army; Gideons International church Baptist recreation hunting, fishing, reading and writing addresses (district) 878 East Baya Avenue, Lake City 32055 (Tallahassee) 224 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 904/752-9399 (Tallahassee) 904/487-3360.



# Mary R. Grizzle Republican, District 20

Businesswoman born August 19, 1921 in Lawrence County, OH. Moved to Florida in 1950 education Portsmouth Interstate Business College husband Charles H. Pearson of St. Petersburg children Henry, Polley, Lorena, Mary Alice, Betty and Jeanne affiliations past president of Anona PTA; Altrusa Club; Woman's Club; League of Women Voters; Largo Business and Professional Women; past chairman of Florida Commission on Status of Women; Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels; past president of Florida Federation of Republican Women, 1965-69; Clearwater Woman's Club; National Order of Women

Legislators; honorary member of Alpha Phi Chapter, Delta Kappa Gamma legislative service House of Representatives, 1963-78; elected to the Senate in 1978, reelected subsequently other public service former town commissioner; former member of Pinellas County Planning Council highlights Largo Business and Professional Woman's Club's "Outstanding Woman of the Year" for civic participation, 1966; listed in Personalities in the South and Who's Who in American Women; co-authored and published Thimbleful of History; named by St. Petersburg Times as "One of Ten Outstanding Women in 1966;" chairman of Pinellas Legislative Delegation, 1964-66 and 1979-80; "Friend for Life" of Suncoast Girl Scout Council, 1973; Pinellas Planning Council Service Award, 1974: Florida Association of Community Colleges Legislative Service Award, 1974; Pinellas Iuvenile Welfare Board legislative award for "Outstanding Service to Children," 1976; House Minority Leader Pro Tempore, 1974-78; Florida Rehabilitation Association's Achievement Award for Outstanding Service to the Handicapped, 1979; named honorary lifetime member of Pinellas County School Food Services for dedication to the School Food Program, 1979; Largo Junior Women's Club award, "Woman of the Year," 1980; Clearwater BPW, "Career Woman of the Year," 1981; honorary degree, Associate in Arts for College and Community Service, St. Petersburg Jr. College, 1982 church Episcopal addresses (district) 2601 Jewel Road, Suite C, Belleair Bluffs 33540 (Tallahassee) 340 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 813/584-8465 (Tallahassee) 904/488-4739.



# Mattox S. Hair Democrat, District 9

Attorney born January 18, 1938 in Coral Gables; reared in Live Oak education Florida State University, B.S., 1960; student body, vice president and president; president of Kappa Alpha fraternity; FSU Gold Key; FSU Hall of Fame; permanent class president and outstanding senior man, 1960; Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities; University of Florida, J.D., 1964; Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity wife Betty Winstead of Jacksonville affiliations Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Jacksonville chapter; Jacksonville Bar Association; Florida Bar Association; American Bar Association; Chamber of Commerce; Sons of

American Legion; Rotary Club of Jacksonville **legislative service** House of Representatives, 1972-74; elected to the Senate in 1974, reelected subsequently **highlights** assistant attorney general, 1964-65; legislative aide, 1957 and 1959 sessions; Jacksonville Jaycees "Good Government Award," 1974; "J. Turner Butler Outstanding Member of the Duval Delegation Award," 1977 and 1979 **military service** U.S. Army, first lieutenant; Florida National Guard, captain **church** Baptist **recreation** racquet ball and hunting **addresses** (district) 4981 Atlantic Boulevard, Suite 2, Jacksonville 32207 (Tallahassee) 322 Senate Office Building, 32301 **telephones** (district) 904/359-6408 (Tallahassee) 904/488-8404.



# Warren S. Henderson Republican, District 25

Professional numismatist and investments born November 14, 1927 in Exeter, NH. Moved to Florida in 1955 education Denison University, B.A., 1951; Phi Delta Theta wife Polly Schurr of Cleveland, OH children Warren C., Susan and Wendy affiliations B.P.O. Elks, past exalted ruler; Order of DeMolay, Legion of Honor; Masons, Venice Lodge 301 F&AM, York Rite-Trinity Commandery 16 K.T.; Miami Conclave Red Cross of Constantine; Scottish Rite-Tampa Consistory, Royal Order of Scotland; AAONM Shrine, Egypt Temple; American Legion; past president of Venice Area Chamber of Commerce; past director of Sarasota Chamber

of Commerce; chairman of United Fund; life member of South Sarasota County Memorial Hospital Association: life member of American Numismatic Association: Florida Historical Society; Sarasota County Historical Society; International Oceanographic Foundation; National Wildlife Federation; National Audubon Society; Izaak Walton League; Florida Conservancy; Save Our Bays Association; Florida Bicentennial Commission, 1972-73; Florida Energy Commission, 1973; vice president and trustee of Conservation 70s; Advisory Council on Environmental Education, 1973-76 legislative service elected to the Senate in 1963; House of Representatives, 1966; reelected to the Senate in 1967 and subsequently other public service Sarasota County Planning and Zoning Commission, 1956-57; member and chairman of Sarasota County Commission, 1960-63; chairman of Manatee-Sarasota Airport Authority; chairman of Sarasota County Water and Navigation Control Authority, 1960-63; chairman of Sarasota County Civil Defense Council, 1960-63; vice chairman of West Coast Inland Navigation District, 1960-63; steering committee for Project Manasota 88; advisory council for Sarasota County Alcoholic Rehabilitation Center; state co-chairman of March of Dimes, 1971; U.S. Assay Commission, 1972 and 1976 highlights Outstanding Conservationist in Sarasota County, 1968; Governor's Award as "Outstanding Legislator in Conservation," 1969; runner-up as "Most Valuable Member of the Senate," 1970 (Allen Morris and St. Petersburg Times Awards); Senate Republican Leader, 1970-72; Sarasota County award for water resources conservation, 1972; FSDA "Senator of the Year," 1973; Florida Podiatry Award, 1975; Denison University Distinguished Alumni Award, 1976; Florida Pediatric Society commendation, 1976; "Most Effective in Committee." 1979 (Allen Morris Award); Florida League of Anglers DSA, 1979; Florida Sierra Club Legislative Award, 1979 military service U.S. Navy church Presbyterian recreation hunting and fishing addresses (district) 101 South Washington Boulevard, Sarasota 33577 (Tallahassee) 308 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 813/953-2338 (Tallahassee) 904/488-5941.



John A. Hill Democrat, District 33

Insurance executive **born** May 20, 1931 in Miami **education** Miami Dade Junior College **wife** Vivian Carlson of Miami **children** John, Allen and Kathy **affiliations** past member and president of Local Union 359, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers; past member and assistant business manager of System Council U-4, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers; Hialeah-Miami Springs Chamber of Commerce, director, 1974-75; Spotlite Club of Hialeah, second vice president, 1972-74; Hialeah Optimist Club; Rotary Club of Miami Lakes, president, 1972-73; Mahi Temple AAONMS; Scottish Rite, Valley of

Miami, Orient of Florida; Order of Eastern Star, Allapattah Chapter 194; National Association of Life Underwriters; the Tree of Italy legislative service House of Representatives, 1974-78; House Majority Leader, 1976-78; elected to the Senate in 1978, reelected subsequently highlights New York Life Top Club Centurion Award; National Sales Achievement Award from the National Association of Life Underwriters; Florida Education Association's Outstanding Freshman Legislator, 1975; George Groome Award as Outstanding Freshman Legislator from the Rotary Club; Hialeah Spotlite Club's Edward A. Wallace Award as "Outstanding Freshman Legislator," 1975; Kiwanis Distinguished Service Award, 1975; received the key to Dade County for economic

development service to the county; City of Hialeah Appreciation Award, 1976; Teacher in Government Education Award, 1978; Florida Podiatry Association, Legislator of the Year Award, 1980; Sickle Cell Foundation Award, 1981; received key to City of Hialeah, 1981; Appreciation Award from P.B.A. for participation in establishing Police Memorial, Firefighters Award, 1982; Award of Appreciation from Latin Builders Association, 1982; High Noon Optimist Award of Appreciation, 1982; Grand Jury Labor Award, 1982; Apprenticeship Council appreciation, 1982 military service U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, 1950-63, master sergeant church Presbyterian recreation golf, racquetball and swimming addresses (district) 1140 West 50th Street, Suite 202, Hialeah 33012 (Tallahassee) 216 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/558-6780 (Tallahassee)



# Kenneth C. "Ken" Jenne Democrat, District 32

Attorney born December 1, 1946, in New Haven, CT. Moved to Florida in 1956 education Palm Beach Junior College, A.A., 1966; Florida Atlantic University, B.A., 1968; Florida State University College of Law, J.D., 1972; Fort Lauderdale College, Doctor of Humane Letters (Honorary), 1978 wife Caroline Maslanka of St. Petersburg Beach children Evan Boyd and Sarah Elizabeth Anne affiliations American Bar Association; Florida Bar Association; American Adjudicative Society legislative service elected to the Senate in 1978, reelected subsequently other public service Broward County Commission, 1975-78, chairman, 1976; chairman of Broward

County Legislative Delegation, 1979-80; executive director of Broward County Charter Commission, 1974; Assistant State Attorney, 17th Judicial Circuit, Broward County, 1972-74; Governor's Council on Organized Crime; Corrections Overcrowding Task Force; Sentencing Guidelines Committee; Savings and Loan Advisory Council; former member of Health and Rehabilitative Services District X Advisory Board; former member of Florida Economic Advisory Council; former chairman of Broward Area Transportation Study highlights Broward County Jaycees, Outstanding Young Man of the Year; Plantation Jaycees, Outstanding Young Man of the Year; Human Service Advocates of Broward County, Legislator of the Year, 1982 military service U.S. Army Reserve, sergeant church Episcopal addresses (district) 1926 Tyler Street, Hollywood 33020 (Tallahassee) 248 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/925-4455 (Tallahassee) 904/488-3520.



## Toni Jennings Republican, District 15 Republican Leader Pro Tempore

Secretary-treasurer of family general contracting firm; realtor and mortgage broker born May 17, 1949 in Orlando education Wesleyan College, B.A., 1971; Rollins College; Phi Kappa Phi; Kappa Delta Epsilon; Mortar Board; Honor Court affiliations Orlando-Winter Park Board of Realtors; Associated Builders & Contractors; Central Florida Builders Exchange; Republican Women's Club of Winter Park; Winter Park Republican Women's Federated Club; Senior Citizens Advisory Council-Sea World; Delta Kappa Gamma Society International; District Mental Health Advisory Board; steering committee, University of Central

Florida Women's Athletics Booster Club; Leadership Council **legislative service** House of Representatives, 1976-80 (at age 27, youngest woman ever elected to the Florida Legislature); elected to the Senate in 1980, reelected subsequently **highlights** Orlando Chamber of Commerce Central City Committee, Outstanding Woman in Government, 1977; Florida delegate to the International Woman's Year Conference, 1977; Associated Builders and Contractors of Florida, Legis'ator of the Year, 1978; meritorious service, Florida Federation of Humane Societies, 1979; special commendation, Florida Restaurant Association, 1979; outstanding service, Homebuilders Association of Mid-Florida, 1980; Florida League of Cities Prominent Personality of the Month,

June 1980; Orange County Young Republican Club, Legislator of the Year, 1980-81; Outstanding Young Women in America, 1980-81, board of directors, Outstanding Young Women in America Association; Wesleyan College, Distinguished Alumni Award, 1981; Women for Responsible Legislation, Freedom Award for Excellence in State Government, 1982; chairman, Orange County Legislative Delegation, 1980-82 historical Jack Jennings, father, chairman of Orange County School Board; General Edward Martin, great uncle, Governor of Pennsylvania; Charles H. Jennings, great grandfather, member of Virginia Legislature church Episcopal recreation bicycling addresses (district) 1032 Wilfred Drive, Orlando 32803 (Tallahassee) 342 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/898-1861 (Tallahassee) 904/488-5730.



## Harry A. Johnston, II Democrat, District 26

Attorney born December 2, 1931 in West Palm Beach education Virginia Military Institute, B.A., 1953; University of Florida, LL.B., 1958 wife Mary Otley of Montclair, NJ children Victoria Leigh and Rebecca Anne affiliations Rotary Club; director of Norton Art Gallery; director of Girl Scouts of America; American, Florida and Palm Beach County Bar Associations legislative service elected to the Senate in 1974, reelected subsequently other public service former member of Planning Board of West Palm Beach; former member of Library Board; Assistant County Attorney of Palm Beach County; attorney for Palm Beach County Area

Planning Board highlights president of Palm Beach County Bar Association, 1968; president of West Palm Beach Rotary Club, 1970; president of Palm Beach County United Fund, 1972; runner-up as "Most Valuable Member of the Senate," 1978 and 1981 [St. Petersburg Times Award]; TIGER Award, 1978-79; runner-up as "Most Effective in Committee," 1980; "Most Effective in Debate," 1982 (Allen Morris Awards) military service U.S. Army, Armor Division, 1953-55 church Presbyterian recreation handball, tennis, swimming and fishing addresses (district) P.O. Drawer M, West Palm Beach 33402 (Tallahassee) 336 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/659-6600 (Tallahassee) 904/488-8856.



# George Kirkpatrick Democrat, District 6

Home builder born December 24, 1938 in Gainesville education
Davidson College, B.S., 1962; Sigma Chi wife Monika Godzewski of West
Berlin, Germany children Catherine Grace and George Grier, III
affiliations president, vice president, secretary-treasurer of Home
Builders Association of Gainesville; vice president and director of Florida
Home Builders Association; Governor's Housing Conference, 1979;
director of National Home Builders Association; Sigma Lambda Chi;
president of Santa Fe Community College Endowment Corporation; vice
president for Economic Development and director of the Gainesville

Area Chamber of Commerce; chairman of Gainesville Committee of 100; co-founder of Leadership Gainesville; Gator Boosters Scholarship Club; vice president of Gainesville Jaycees; director of United Fund; vice chairman of Gainesville Drug Control Foundation; director of YMCA; chairman of Area Boy Scouts Fund Drive; Cousteau Society: Unified Sportsmen of Florida; Ducks Unlimited; Florida Fox Hunters Association; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; Alachua County Farm Bureau; life member of Sigma Chi; Florida State Chamber of Commerce; National Association of Small Businessmen; American Legion Post 16; United States Chamber of Commerce; Florida Farm Bureau; Common Cause; Sierra Club; Alachua County Cattlemans Association; vice president of Police Athletic League of Gainesville, Inc.; Florida Defenders of the Environment; National Rifle Association legislative service elected to the Senate in 1980, reelected subsequently other public service founding member of Alachua County Research and Development Authority; chairman of Alachua County Housing Task Force; vice chairman of Regional Utility Board Economic Development Committee highlights runner-up as "Most

Effective Freshman Legislator," 1982 (Allen Morris Award); Florida Homebuilders Association "Builder of the Year," 1982; Florida Farm Bureau "Outstanding Legislator Award," 1981; Florida League of Hospitals "Outstanding Legislator Award," 1982; Florida Student Association "Distinguished Service Award;" University of Florida "Outstanding Legislator Award," 1981; Florida Agricultural Research Institute "Outstanding Florida Arbiter Award," 1982; Florida Conservative Union Legislative Award; Marion Correctional Institution Honor for "Outstanding Support of the Criminal Justice System," 1982; Gator Medal of Honor; invited to participate in the Southern Regional Education Board Legislative Conference, 1981 and 1982; nominee for Florida Home Builder of the Year, 1979; co-author of Alachua County Econometric Forecasting Model military service U.S. Army, first lieutenant, Police Corps, West Berlin, 1962-64 church Presbyterian recreation hunting, fishing and travel addresses (district) 1338 N.W. 13th Street, Gainesville 32601 (Tallahassee) 258 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 904/377-3800 (Tallahassee) 904/488-5890.



# Richard H. Langley Republican, District 11

Attorney; citrus grower and real estate **born** February 22, 1937 in Lakeland **education** University of Florida, B.S.A., 1960, J.D., 1964 **wife** Sheila Mooney of Clermont **children** DeeDee, Rick, Stephanie, Jacky, Randy and Ryan **affiliations** Lions Club; Lake County Bar Association; Florida Bar; Cattlemen's Association; Citrus Mutual **legislative service** House of Representatives, 1972-78; Minority Whip, 1976-78; elected to the Senate in 1980, reelected subsequently **other public service** City Attorney; City Judge; Assistant Public Defender: Lake County School Board, 1968-72, chairman, 1970-72 **highlights** first elected Republican in

Lake County; first Republican School Board Chairman in Lake County **military service** U.S. Army, Korea, 1955-57 **church** Baptist **recreation** water sports, tennis, golf, snow skiing and flying **addresses** (district) P.O. Box 697, Clermont 32711 (Tallahassee) 300 Senate Office Building, 32301 **telephones** (district) 904/394-6000 (Tallahassee) 904/488-5024.



# Jeanne Malchon Democrat, District 18

Communications consultant and president of communications company born June 17, 1923 in Newark, NJ. Moved to Florida in 1952 education Virginia Intermont College, A.A., 1943 husband Richard Malchon of Berlin, Germany child Richard, Jr. affiliations League of Women Voters; National Board Executive Committee of American Lung Association; board member of National Conference of Christians and Jews; board member of United Way legislative service elected to the Senate in 1982 other public service Pinellas County Commission, 1975-80 highlights member, National Commission on Air Quality, (appointed by President

Carter), 1979-82; president, League of Women Voters of Florida, 1970-72 **church** Unitarian **addresses** (district) 424 Central Avenue, Suite 804, St. Petersburg 33701 (Tallahassee) 230 Senate Office Building, 32301 **telephones** (district) 813/823-2264 (Tallahassee) 904/487-3364.



## Franklin B. Mann Democrat, District 38

Investments born August 29, 1941 in Fort Myers education Vanderbilt University, B.A., 1963 wife Mary Lee Ferguson of Fort Myers children Franklin, Jr. and Ian affiliations director of Rotary, 1969-72; director of YMCA, 1974 legislative service House of Representatives, 1974-82; elected to the Senate in 1982 highlights only Democrat to serve in House from Southwest Florida, 1974-82 historical Franklin Balch, grandfather, served as Township Selectman for forty-five years in Topsfield, MS church Presbyterian recreation hunting, fishing, skiing and camping addresses (district) P.O. Box 1268, Ft. Myers 33902 (Tallahassee) 330

Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 813/334-2584 [Tallahassee] 904/487-3350.



#### Gwen Margolis Democrat, District 37

Realtor, appraiser and developer born October 4, 1934 in Philadelphia, PA. Moved to Florida in 1960 education Temple University, 1952-54; University of Tampa and Dade Junior College, special real estate and appraisal courses children Edward, Ira, Karen and Robin affiliations director of North Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce; Business and Professional Women's Association; board of directors of Tropical Florida Girl Scouts; executive committee and former vice president of Florida Anti-Defamation League; Dade County Women's Democratic Club; Adlai Stevenson Democratic Women's Club; Democratic Club of North Dade:

League of Women Voters; past chairperson of North Dade Women's Political Caucus, 1972-73; Miami Board of Realtors; South Florida Planning & Zoning Association; National Order of Women Legislators; board of directors of Lincoln Savings & Loan Association legislative service House of Representatives, 1974-80; elected to the Senate in 1980, reelected subsequently other public service Advisory Council on Intergovernmental Relations (ACIR); vice chairman of North Miami Beach Human Relations Board, 1973; vice chairman of North Miami Board of Adjustment, 1972-73; Governor Graham's Tax Study Commission, 1979 highlights Who's Who of American Women; Who's Who of Women of the World; Who's Who in Commerce and Industry; City of Hope Humanitarian of the Year, 1974 and 1979; Voters and Taxpayers League, Woman of the Year, 1976; Business and Professional Women, Outstanding Woman in Politics, 1974; Dade Delegation chairperson, 1978-79; FEA-United TIGER Award, 1979-82; North Miami Chamber of Commerce, Person of the Year, 1980; Woman's Council of Realtors, Woman of the Year, 1980; Women in Communications, Community Headliner Award, 1980; honorary Associate of Arts degree from Miami-Dade Community College, 1981; Florida Association of Community Colleges Legislative Service Award, 1981-82; Governor's Awards for the Arts Committee, Legislative Friend of the Arts, 1982 church Jewish addresses (district) 1451 N.E. 162nd Street, North Miami Beach 33162 (Tallahassee) 316 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/949-4541 (Tallahassee) 904/488-8862.



Clark Maxwell, Jr. Republican, District 16 Republican Leader

Management consultant **born** August 21, 1934 in St. Petersburg **education** Florida Southern College, B.S., 1956; Pi Kappa Alpha **wife** Diane Oettinger of Lakeland **children** Clark A., Judy and Marcia **affiliations** member of Federal Advisory Panel on Financing Elementary & Secondary Education; advisory committee of Florida School Labor Relations Service; district vice president and legislative chairman of Florida School Boards Association, 1972-74; Chamber of Commerce; South Brevard Men's Republican Club; Young Republicans of South Brevard **legislative service** House of Representatives, 1974-78; elected to

the Senate in 1978, reelected subsequently other public service Brevard County School Board, 1966-74, chairman 1967-73 highlights "Most Outstanding First-Term Member of the Senate," 1979-80, "Most Effective in Committee," 1980-81, runner-up as "Most Effective Member of the Senate," 1981-82 (Allen Morris Awards); Florida Association of Community Colleges, "Representative of the Year," 1978, "Senator of the Year," 1979, Legislative Service Award, 1980 and 1982; Florida School Boards Association "67 Award" for outstanding work with youth and education, 1975-82; Florida Association of School Administrators, "Outstanding Legislator," 1978 and "Gavel of Authority Award," 1981; FEA-United TIGER Award, 1975, 1976, 1981, 1982; ABATE Legislator of the Year, 1980; Florida Property Appraisers Association Outstanding Senator, 1980; Dade County Professional Educators "Golden Apple Award;" Florida Library Association Special Legislative Award, 1982 military service U.S. Army, Hawaii church Methodist recreation golf, fishing, scuba diving and tennis addresses (district) P.O. Drawer 1539, Melbourne 32901 [Tallahassee] 348 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/724-6666 (Tallahassee) 904/488-3975.



# Tom McPherson Democrat, District 30

Farmer and businessman born March 26, 1935 in Bement, IL. Moved to Florida in 1950 education Stetson University, B.S., 1958; Delta Sigma Phi wife Sally Ann Webb of Leesburg children Peggy and Thomas affiliations past director of Broward County Mental Health Association; Elks; Broward County Farm Bureau; past president of Kiwanis, 1968 legislative service House of Representatives, 1964-66, 1972-82, elected to the Senate in 1982 other public service mayor of Cooper City, 1963-65; chairman of Florida Saltwater Fisheries Study and Advisory Council, 1980-82; chairman of Florida Advisory Council on Intergovernmental

Relations, 1980-81; vice chairman of National Conference of State Legislatures Urban Development Committee, 1980-81; member of National Conference of State Legislatures Natural Resources Committee, 1982-83; vice president of National Commission on Air Quality; chairman of Broward Methadone Maintenance Rehabilitation and Research Facility Advisory Board, Hollywood; chairman of Broward Treatment Program, Pompano Beach; Florida Council of State Housing Goals; South Florida State Hospital Citizens Advisory Board; Broward Community College Advisory Committee, Program on Marketing Management; advisor and sponsor of Broward County Historic Preservation Board highlights Jaycee Good Government Award; Florida Fine Arts Council Man of the Year Award, 1974 and 1977; Florida Association of Community Colleges Legislative Service Award, 1975; Florida Library Association Distinguished Service Award, 1978; Florida State Association of County Commissioners Distinguished Service Award, 1978; Broward County Classroom Teachers Association Community Appreciation Award, 1980; Broward County Historic Preservation Board Award for contribution to art and culture, 1980; Florida PTA Public Service Appreciation Award, 1980; Greater Hollywood YMCA Award, 1980; Broward County Public Service Award, Funding of Tree Tops Park, 1981; Fort Lauderdale Areas Board of Realtors, Legislative Appreciation Award, 1981; Greater Plantation Chamber of Commerce Public Service Award, 1981; Broward County Sierra Club, Friends of the Environment Award, 1982; Marine Industries Association of South Florida, Public Service Award, 1982; Florida Sierra Club, Legislative Award, 1982; Florida Nurserymen and Growers Association, Public Service Award, 1982 historical Nellie McPherson, grandmother, founder of National Author's Day military service U.S. Army, first lieutenant, infantry, 1958-59 church Methodist recreation camping, tennis, fishing, bridge, woodworking and gourmet cooking addresses (district) 5273 S.W. 106th Avenue, Ft. Lauderdale 33328 (Tallahassee) 334 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/434-8787 (Tallahassee) 904/487-3352.



Carrie P. Meek Democrat, District 36

Educational administrator **born** April 29, 1926 in Tallahassee **education** Florida A&M University, B.S., 1946; University of Michigan, M.S., 1948; University of Indiana, 1967; Florida Atlantic University, Ed.D. (pending); Educational Specialist in Continuing Education and Training; varsity letter, track and field; FAMU Sports Hall of Fame; Delta Sigma Theta; Phi Delta Kappa; Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society **children** Lucia Davis Raiford, Shelia Kay Davis and Kendrick B. **affiliations** Florida Association of Community Education; board of directors, National Association of Community Educators, 1975-78; trustee, National Parks &

Recreation Association, 1973-76 legislative service House of Representatives, March 27, 1979-82; elected to the Senate in 1982 other public service board member, Dade County Schools, Bi-Racial/Tri-Ethnic Committee; board member, Minority Business Enterprise Committee on Transportation, 1978-79; board member, Health Systems-Health Planning Council, 1972-75; chairperson, City of Miami's "Parks for People" program, 1973-74 church Baptist addresses (district) 149 West Plaza, Suite 244, Miami 33147 (Tallahassee) 218 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/693-0330 (Tallahassee) 904/487-3358.



# William G. "Doc" Myers, M.D. Republican, District 27

Physician born September 28, 1930 in Kittanning, PA. Moved to Florida in 1961 education University of Pittsburgh, B.S., 1952; School of Medicine, M.D., 1956; rotating internship, Southside Hospital, Pittsburgh, 1957; internal medicine residency, 1958; Phi Kappa Alpha; football, 1, 2, 3; Nu Sigma honorary; Pitt Players; Alpha Omega Alpha honorary; Nu Sigma Nu wife Carol Anne Edgar of Washington, PA children Jacqueline Jolane Means, William George, Jr., Bradley Stephen, Brain Jeffry, Barry Douglas and Jennifer Sue affiliations past member of Knights of Pythias; Elks; Martin County Medical Society; American, Florida and Southern

Medical Associations; Jupiter-Tequesta Rotary legislative service House of Representatives, 1978-82; elected to the Senate in 1982 other public service chairman of Martin County Commissioners, 1968-72 and 1976-78; chairman of Health & Rehabilitative Services Department District IX Advisory Council, 1977-78; Health Planning Council, 1977-78; Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, 1976-78 highlights University of Pittsburgh, James Heard Prize Medicine Award, 1952; founder, S.O.D.A. (Stamp Out Drug Abuse) Martin County, 1970 church Methodist recreation tennis, racquet ball and squash addresses (district) 308 Tequesta Drive, Suite 10, Tequesta 33458 (Tallahassee) 304 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/747-7744 (Tallahassee) 904/487-3344.



# Patrick K. "Pat" Neal Democrat, District 24

Investor and rancher **born** March 4, 1949 in Des Moines, IA. Moved to Florida in 1969 **education** University of Pennsylvania; Wharton School of Finance, B.S., 1971; National Merit Scholar; soccer and rugby **wife** Charlene Lovingood of Sarasota **affiliations** president of Neal Communities, Inc.; trustee, New College, University of South Florida; trustee, L.W. Blake Memorial Hospital, Bradenton; trustee, Community Bank of Manatee; National Association of Homebuilders; Gulf Coast Building Exchange; Florida Farm Bureau; Florida Cattlemen's Association; Manatee County Mental Health Association; U.S. Army

Reserve Officers Association; Bradenton Kiwanis Club legislative service House of Representatives, 1974-78; elected to the Senate in 1978, reelected subsequently highlights runner-up as "Most Effective in Committee," 1982 (Allen Morris Award) other public service treasurer of Manatee County Democratic Committee, 1973; alternate to Democratic National Convention, 1976; Governor's Special Advisory Committee on Transportation, 1976 military service U.S. Army Reserve, 1969-75, transportation corps officer church Catholic addresses (district) P.O. Box 89, Bradenton 33506 (Tallahassee) 210 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 813/747-0000 (Tallahassee) 904/488-8455.



# Lawrence H. "Larry" Plummer Democrat, District 39

Funeral director born October 27, 1940 in Miami education University of Miami, B.B.A., 1963; president of Sigma Alpha Epsilon affiliations president of South Miami-Kendall Area Chamber of Commerce, 1970; chairman of Chamber of Commerce Legislative Affairs Committee, 1978; president of South Miami-Kendall Jaycees, 1976; director of Dade County Young Democrats, 1968; Barry College President's Advisory Council; director of South Miami Hospital Associates, 1978; University of Miami Alumni Association & Athletic Federation; Southwest Miami-Kendall Rotary Club legislative service House of Representatives, 1978-82; elected

to the Senate in 1982 highlights Voters and Taxpayers League Outstanding Young Man in Dade County, 1978; Coral Gables Jaycees Good Government Award, 1979-80 historical Dr. J.W.V.R. Plummer, great-grandfather, member of House of Representatives, 1881 and Key West Mayor, 1884; Joseph L. Plummer, father, Dade County School Board, 1948; Joseph L. Plummer, Jr., brother, Commissioner City of Miami, 1981 military service U.S. Marine Corps, 1964-70, unit citation, outstanding rifleman church Catholic recreation bicycling addresses (district) 6001 S.W. 40th Street, South Miami 33155 (Tallahassee) 328 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/665-3939 (Tallahassee) 904/487-3348.



# Gerald S. "Jerry" Rehm Republican, District 19

Business executive, real estate and manufacturing born March 10, 1927 in West Palm Beach education U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, B.S., 1948; Hofstra College, M.B.A. Program; cadet officer; dance orchestra wife Frances M. Smeja of Great Neck, NY children Gregory, Pamela and Scott affiliations executive director of Eckerd Foundation, 1968-80; trustee, Eckerd College; chairman of Florida Council on Economic Education, 1980; Southeastern Council of Foundations; Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; trustee, Mease Manor; Pinellas Area Council BSA; president of Aluminum Association of Florida, 1975; past

president of Dunedin Kiwanis, 1962 legislative service elected to the Senate in 1980, reelected subsequently other public service City of Dunedin Commissioner, 1963-65, and mayor, 1965-72;

Pinellas County Republican Executive Committee highlights led in the acquisition of Caladesi Island for use as a state park, 1967; Jaycee Citizen of the Year, 1969; Sertoma Service to Mankind Award, 1969; Mr. Delightful Dunedin, 1970; VFW Citation of Service; Florida League of Hospitals "Outstanding Legislator Award," 1981; Florida Health Care Association "Outstanding Legislator Award," 1982; Guardian Ad Litem Program Recognition, 1982; Florida League of Cities Prominent Personality, 1982 military service U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, 1945-48; U.S. Naval Reserve, 1948-55 church Catholic recreation boating and carpentry addresses (district) 315 Main Street, Dunedin 33528 [Tallahassee] 356 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 813/733-2437 (Tallahassee) 904/488-4693.



# James A. Scott Republican, District 31

Attorney born January 14, 1942 in Pikeville, KY. Moved to Florida in 1965 education University of Kentucky, B.A., 1963, J.D., 1965; Sigma Nu; Phi Alpha Delta; debate and discussion team wife Janice Ann Suskey of Miami children Frank and Stacy Ann affiliations Florida, Kentucky and American Bar Associations; chairman of legislation committee of Broward Bar Association; Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce; Broward Minutemen Bicentennial Committee; American Arbitration Association; board of Governors, Nova University of Coral Springs; University of Kentucky Law Alumni Association; Ducks Unlimited; Hundred Club of

Broward legislative service elected to the Senate in 1976; reelected subsequently; Minority Floor Leader, 1978-80; Minority Leader, 1980-82 other public service Associate Municipal Judge in Deerfield Beach, 1972; Broward legislative delegation attorney, 1972-74; prosecutor in Deerfield Beach, 1973-76; director and treasurer of Legal Aid Service of Broward, 1974-76; chairman of Broward Legislative Delegation; 1981-82 highlights "Most Effective First-Term Member," 1978 (Allen Morris Award); Florida Realtors for Private Property Rights "Legislator of the Year," 1978; runner-up as "Most Effective in Debate," 1980-82 (Allen Morris Award) military service U.S. Coast Guard, 1965-68 church Presbyterian recreation golf, hunting and riding addresses (district) 2000 East Oakland Park Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale 33306 (Tallahassee) 346 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/566-8600 (Tallahassee) 904/487-3370.



# George Stuart, Jr. Democrat, District 14

Office products retailer **born** January 13, 1946 in Orlando **education** University of Florida, B.A., 1968; Harvard University Graduate School of Business, M.B.A., 1970; Sigma Chi **wife** Elisabeth Hixon of Pensacola **children** Ann Elisabeth, Kathryn Knowles and Caroline Vickers **affiliations** Kiwanis Club of Orlando; Boys Club of Central Florida; National Office Products Association; Southeastern Regional Office Machine Dealers Association (SEROMDA), president, 1979-80; advisory board of Central Florida Council, Boy Scouts of America; foundation board of Orlando Regional Medical Center; board of directors of

University of Central Florida Foundation; Zora Neale Hurston Fellowship Award Committee; chairman of the board of Tangerine Sports Association, 1979-80 legislative service elected to the Senate in 1978, reelected subsequently other public service Orlando City Council, 6 years; Florida Resource Recovery Council, 3 years; East Central Florida Regional Planning Council; Southern Growth Policies Board military service U.S. Army church Baptist recreation horses and golf addresses (district) P.O. Box 1188, Orlando 32802 (Tallahassee) 246 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/843-2666 (Tallahassee) 904/488-9199.



# Pat Thomas Democrat, District 2

Owner of general insurance agency, mortgage broker born November 21, 1933 in Quincy education University of Florida, B.S.A., 1957; Florida Blue Key; president of Alpha Gamma Rho; president of Senior Class wife Mary Ann Jolley of Naples children Anne Jolley and John Pat affiliations Mason; Rotary Club; Shrine; Chamber of Commerce; National and Gadsden County Associations of Insurance Agents; American Legion; Elks; Florida Farm Bureau legislative service House of Representatives, 1972-74; elected to the Senate in 1974, reelected subsequently other public service state chairman of Democratic Executive Committee of

Florida, 1966-70; Democratic National Convention, chairman of Florida Delegation, 1968
highlights "Most Outstanding First-Term Member," 1976, "Most Effective in Debate," 1981 (Allen Morris Awards); "One of Florida's Five Outstanding Young Men," 1967; National Junior Chamber of Commerce nominee as "Outstanding Young Man of America," 1967; Legion of Honor recipient; Order of DeMolay; Florida Realtors award for protection of private property rights, 1977; Florida Association of Community Colleges Service Award, 1978 military service U.S. Army, Korea church Presbyterian recreation hunting, boating and fishing address 222 Senate Office Building, Tallahassee 32301 telephone (Tallahassee) 904/488-4021.



# Karen Thurman Democrat, District 4

Teacher born January 12, 1951 in Rapid City, SD. Moved to Florida in 1966 education Santa Fe Junior College, A.A., 1970; University of Florida, B.A., 1973 husband John Thurman of Orlando children McLin and Liberty Lee affiliations charter member of Dunnellon Chamber of Commerce; charter member of Florida Horseman's Childrens Society legislative service elected to the Senate in 1982 other public service president mayor of Dunnellon City Council; Regional Energy Action Committee, Withlacoochee Regional Water Supply Authority; Marion County Transportation Board highlights Dunnellon Chamber of

Commerce "Service Above Self Award," 1980; Withlacoochee Regional Planning Council Appreciation for Service, Regional Energy Action Committee **church** Episcopal **recreation** bowling and water sports **addresses** (district) P.O. Box 5058, Inverness, 32650 (Tallahassee) 228 Senate Office Building, 32301 **telephones** (district) 904/726-8500, ext. 595 (Tallahassee) 904/487-3362.



# John W. Vogt Democrat, District 17

Registered professional engineer in Florida, New York and Maryland born December 28, 1936 in Lake Wales education University of Florida, B.C.E., 1961; graduate work at the University of South Florida and Rutgers University; president of Alpha Tau Omega, 1960 wife Tonie Fernandez of Miami children D'Anna, Suzanne, Leeanne, Lisa and Vicki affiliations Chamber of Commerce; Florida Engineering Society; Boy Scouts of America Advisory Council; Cocoa Kiwanis; Missile Space and Range Pioneers, Inc. legislative service elected to the Senate in 1972, reelected subsequently other public service advisory board of Brevard

COPE program; engineering advisory councils of University of Florida and University of Central Florida; technical advisory committee of Florida Solar Energy Center; advisory board of Seminole Community College Community Instructional Services **highlights** Florida Council of Handicapped Organizations Award of Recognition for Outstanding Service, 1980; Florida Civitan Clubs Good Citizenship in Government Award, 1980; Florida Institute of Consulting Engineers Outstanding

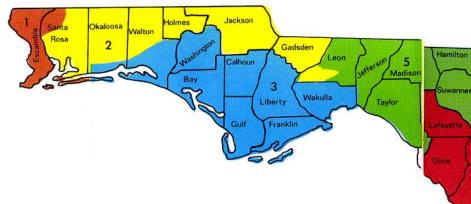
Civic Contributions by a Consulting Engineer, 1980; Variety Children's Hospital "Helping Hand Award," 1979; Florida Wildlife Federation and the National Wildlife Federation Conservation Legislator of the Year, 1979; Titusville Knights of Columbus Distinguished Legislative Service Award, 1979; Florida Association for Retarded Citizens "Senator of the Year," 1979 and 1975; Florida Audubon Society Legislative Award, 1978 and 1980; Florida Sierra Club Legislative Award, 1979; Florida Association of Community Colleges "Legislative Service Award," 1976, 1977 and 1978; Brevard Cancer Society Outstanding Legislator Award, 1978; Florida Epilepsy Foundation Legislative Leadership Award, 1977; National Foundation March of Dimes "Distinguished Voluntary Leadership Award," 1977; Florida Chapter of the Acoustical Society of America Environmental Award, 1976; Florida Federation of Humane Societies Humanitarian Award, 1976; Pensacola Journal's "Outstanding Freshman Senator," 1973; Outstanding Florida Young Democrat, 1973; Jaycees "Good Government Award," 1973-74; Engineer of the Year, 1973; recognized for efforts in maintaining the delicate balance between the needs of Florida agriculture and the environment by IFAS/Institute of Food & Agriculture Science, 1981; Disabled Citizens in Action Legislative Award, 1981; Florida Society of Opthalmology Legislative Award, 1981; Florida Wildlife Federation-Conservation Legislator of the Year, 1981; Space Coast Association of Physically Handicapped "Legislator of the Year Award," 1981; Florida Engineering Society Award, 1981; Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association's Annual Legislative Award, 1982; Florida Guardian Ad Litem Program's "Most Effective State Senator in Committee," 1982 historical Dr. Daniel A. Vogt, great-great-uncle of Ocala, was a member of Florida House of Representatives from Marion County, 1856-1861; Albertus Vogt, grandfather, discovered phosphate near Dunnellon in 1880's; old family residence still in existence at Vogt Springs near Dunnellon church Catholic recreation tennis and hunting addresses (district) 3500 North Atlantic Avenue, Cocoa Beach 32931 (Tallahassee) 236 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/783-9618 (Tallahassee) 904/488-6473.



# Peter M. Weinstein Democrat, District 29

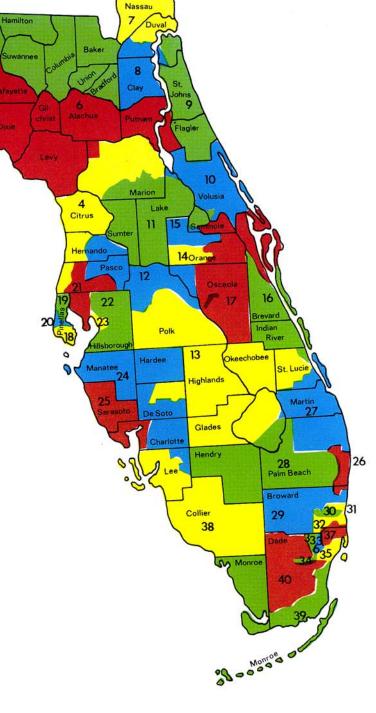
Attorney born February 3, 1947 in New York City, NY. Moved to Florida in 1977 education New York University, B.S., 1967; Brooklyn Law School, J.D., 1970; Junior Honorary Society, Senior Honorary Society wife Barbara Forman of Chicago, IL children Andrew and Michael affiliations Democratic Executive Committee of Broward County; Coral Springs Democratic Club; Temple Beth Orr, B'Nai B'rith legislative service elected to the Senate in 1982 other public service Coral Springs Planning and Zoning Board; Broward County Charter Review Commission highlights former Chief of the Supreme Court Trial Bureau,

Queens County, NY; former Assistant State Attorney, Broward County, serving in the organized crime unit military service U.S. Army, captain, awarded Army Commendation Medal for meritorious duty church Jewish recreation reading and photography addresses (district) 6191 West Atlantic Boulevard, Suite 4, Margate 33063 (Tallahassee) 234 Senate Office Building, 32301 telephones (district) 305/979-4852 (Tallahassee) 904/487-3368.



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2	THOMAS	22	BEARD
3	BARRON	23	FRANK
4	THURMAN	24	NEAL
5	GRANT	25	HENDERSON
6	KIRKPATRICK	26	JOHNSTON
7	GIRARDEAU	27	MYERS
8	CARLUCCI	28	D. CHILDERS
9	HAIR	29	WEINSTEIN
10	DUNN	30	McPHERSON
11	LANGLEY	31	SCOTT
12	PETERSON	32	JENNE
13	CRAWFORD	33	HILL
14	STUART	34	GERSTEN
15	<b>JENNINGS</b>	35	GORDON
16	MAXWELL	36	MEEK
17	VOGT	37	MARGOLIS
18	MALCHON	38	MANN
19	REHM	39	PLUMMER
20	GRIZZLE	40	FOX



# The Senate chamber

F requently before a session of the Senate convenes, senators and their aides can be seen scurrying "to the floor" or "to the chamber." They're headed for the futuristic circular chamber where the senators debate the merits of proposed legislation. This is the fourth chamber used since the first session of the Senate was called to order in 1839. In 1978, the senators held their first session in the chamber that you see today.

As you sit in the gallery observing the Senate in session, your attention will probably first be drawn to the rostrum where the President is presiding. The President occupies the "chair," pacing the flow of legislation, deciding who will speak, and ruling on parliamentary disputes. The President frequently calls on other members to preside while he works out the details of legislative proposals. If the President wishes to debate an issue before the Senate, he will vacate the chair and speak from his regular desk on the floor. The portraits hanging below the gallery commemorate past Presidents of the Senate.

Just above the President, recessed into the ebony walls, is the screen for the video projection system which displays the text of proposed amendments as they are offered in debate. The display system is also used to welcome groups of visitors watching from the gallery. In the booth on the left side of the screen, computer operators record the Senate's actions into the legislative information network. The booth on the right houses the sound system.

Senators are addressed by their district number when they are recognized to speak. Custom decrees that a senator may not be addressed as a gentleman or lady, as are members of the House of Representatives. He or she is "the senator from the thirty-fifth," for example, but never "the gentleman or lady from the thirty-fifth." During debate, the members are always formally addressed as "senator," not by their given names.

In front of the President's rostrum is the Senate "desk," which is staffed by the Secretary of the Senate. Legislative business is not properly before the Senate until it is "on the desk." Clerks at this desk record Senate actions for publication in the journal, the official record of all Senate proceedings. The video system and the voting boards are also operated from this desk. A senator who wishes to "approach the well" to make a speech on a particularly important matter speaks from one of the reading podiums at the secretary's desk.

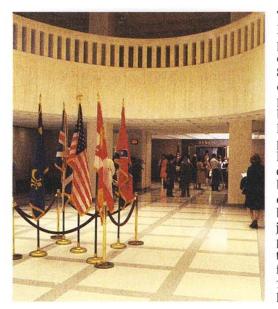
Voting boards on each side of the chamber record a member's green "yea" or red "nay" votes. (The yellow lights you see by some names aren't caution lights or indications that a senator can't decide how to vote. They're signals that the senator wants a "page" to deliver a message or retrieve a file from his office, and you can be sure that one of the blue-blazered messengers will be at the senator's desk shortly.) The voting boards also display the number of the bill or amendment being debated and the status of similar legislation in the House. Electronic voting was

first used in the Senate in 1966, and now nearly all votes are recorded electronically, except for the few occasions when a senator demands that the yeas and nays be taken by voice vote.

The seating arrangement in the chamber is determined by the number of a senator's district. Senators from odd-numbered districts sit on the President's left, and those representing even-numbered districts sit on the right. The only exception to this tradition allows the chairman of the Committee on Rules and Calendar to sit in the first seat to the President's left in the front row. He's the one you'll see on his feet directing the flow of legislative traffic and advising the President on the rules.

A tone time, the chamber desk was a member's only desk. His secretary sat beside him in the chamber, frequently even during sessions. Often a senator would interrupt a letter he was dictating to rise and speak on a bill, then return to his correspondence after he had his say. Now adequate office space is provided for the senators and their staff; telephones at each chamber desk provide direct communication with the staff. Today, only members of the Senate and a few designated staff members are allowed in the chamber while the Senate is in session. Certain present and past state officials and guests invited by the President may also enter the chamber during a session. All men in the chamber must wear coats and ties.

In the room at the right rear of the chamber, attorneys draft "floor amendments" to bills being debated. The caucus room at the left rear is frequently used for quick conferences of senators, often with their colleagues from the House of Representatives. Just over the main entrance is the press gallery, where the scribes of Florida's press corps record history. The remainder of the gallery is open to the public at all sessions, except that a portion of the gallery is usually reserved for senators' families and other special guests.



Television cameras from Florida Public Broadcasting are positioned at the front and rear of the gallery to televise all Senate sessions. Each weekday evening during the session. public television stations broadcast "Today in the Legislature," a one-hour program summarizing legislative action during the day. The broadcasts are funded by the Legislature, but all editorial content is determined by the group of professional journalists who produce the programs. Florida's legislative telecasts were used as a model for a similar system installed in 1979 in the U.S. House of Representatives.

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# Three Branches of Government

Florida's Constitution, in the traditional American pattern of "separation of powers," divides the governmental structure of the state into three separate and independent branches.

The Legislative Branch has exclusive law-making power and determines the general policies by which the problems of society are to be met. It may delegate limited rule-making power to some executive agencies.

The Executive Branch, with the Governor as its chief, administers the laws made by the Legislature. The Cabinet—composed of the Secretary of State, Attorney General, Comptroller, Treasurer, Commissioner of Agriculture and Commissioner of Education—shares executive power and responsibilities with the Governor.

The Judicial Branch interprets the law and applies the Constitution. The judiciary also presides over trials, although certain limited administrative disputes may be decided by executive agencies when authorized by law.

This structural division, faithfully maintained, sets up a system of "checks and balances" to ensure that all three branches properly perform their constitutional duties in the administration of state affairs.

# The Legislative Branch

Composition Florida's Legislature is composed of two houses, the and organization Senate and the House of Representatives. Each house is the sole judge of the qualifications and

elections of its members and has the power to choose its own officers and establish its own rules of procedure. All legislative sessions are open to the public, except sessions of the Senate when appointments or suspensions of public officials are considered; these sessions may be closed. Either house of the Legislature may initiate legislation on any subject.

The State Constitution as revised in 1968 provides that the Legislature shall be apportioned into not less than 30, nor more than 40, senatorial districts; and not less than 80, nor more than 120, representative districts. The Legislature met that mandate during the 1972 session when it established 40 Senate districts and 120 House districts. Senators serve four-year terms and representatives serve two-year terms.

> The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the Officers House preside over their respective houses. The

President Pro Tempore and the Speaker Pro Tempore preside in the absence of the President or the Speaker. The presiding officers are elected by their respective bodies and serve for two-year terms. Each house also elects other constitutional officers, the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, from outside its membership. Among their responsibilities is the duty to keep clear and accurate records of the proceedings of each body. A Sergeant at Arms is elected by each house to assist the presiding officer in maintaining order and providing services. Each house also employs other personnel to provide necessary support services.

# Election and qualifications

The Constitution requires that members of the Legislature be elected at the general election in November of even-numbered years. Party

candidates are nominated in party primary elections held prior to the general

elections. Members of the Legislature must be at least 21 years old, electors and residents of the district they represent, and Florida residents for two years prior to election. No person may serve in the Legislature while employed by the federal or state government.

# Compensation

Legislators are paid \$12,000 annually. Like other state and local government employees, they are paid travel expenses when on official business and when in session. Each house also provides expense allowances for maintaining local offices to better serve the citizens of the district.

# Legislative sessions

Two weeks after each general election, the Legislature convenes for the exclusive purpose of organization and election of officers. Even though

the officers are formally elected during this organization session, they have been designated previously. No legislation is considered during the organization session.

Regular sessions of the Legislature begin on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in April in odd-numbered years and continue for sixty consecutive days (forty-four working days). While the Legislature may by law change its convening date in even-numbered years, the date is usually the same as in odd-numbered years.

Special sessions may be called by the Governor, or may be convened by joint proclamation of the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House. Special sessions may not exceed twenty days, unless extended by a three-fifths vote of each house. Each "call" for a special session outlines the business to be considered, and matters "outside the purview" of the call cannot be taken up unless two-thirds of the members of each house consent. The Legislature may also be convened in extra session if three-fifths of the members of both houses agree. When in extra session, the Legislature may consider any subject as if convened in regular session, but an extra session is limited to thirty days. The President of the Senate may convene the Senate in special session to consider executive suspensions even when the House of Representatives is not meeting.

During the organization session, each house adopts its rules of procedure to be followed for the next two years. The rules provide for orderly proceedings and determine how each house will conduct its business. Frequently, a legislator will move to "waive the rules" to speed the flow of business, but at least two-thirds of the members of the respective houses must agree before the rules can be waived.

The traditional framework through which ideas and Committees needs are converted into legislation is the committee system. The committee is the heart of the legislative process, functioning to study, research, and plan solutions to "people problems."

The Senate and House rules provide for certain standing committees, special or select committees, and subcommittees. The presiding officers name the chairmen and members of all committees.

The formation of committees creates small groups of legislators who can give a bill closer study than would be possible in debate on the floor. Although each house, sitting as a committee of the whole, could consider in detail each proposed piece of legislation, smaller committees can perform the task more thoroughly and more efficiently. The committee

system has been constantly strengthened by the employment of trained and expert staff who work year-round to retain continuity in research programs.

Bills are assigned to one or more committees for study. In this preliminary screening the committees may hold public hearings where committee members hear sponsoring legislators and others in the industry or profession, the governmental agency, or the general public, who are interested in the bill. The committee then votes to recommend the bill favorably, unfavorably, or favorably with amendments to be considered when the bill is debated on the floor.

When the Senate and House are unable to agree on the final content of a bill, it goes to a conference committee. This committee, composed of members of both houses, tries to resolve the differences between the Senate and House versions of a bill. The conference committee report must be approved by both houses.

Other committees commonly used are joint committees, which are composed of members from each house; and select committees, which are usually appointed to make recommendations on special or unique problems.

The Joint Legislative Management Committee supervises services which can be shared by both houses, thereby affording better facilities at a reduced cost. The Legislative Auditing Committee, another joint Senate-House committee, employs an Auditor General who audits governmental agencies. These joint committees are composed of three members from each house.

Florida's Public Counsel is also an office of the Legislature. The Public Counsel represents Florida consumers in utility and limited insurance rate cases.

Administrative Procedures is another joint legislative committee. It reviews regulations passed by executive agencies based on Florida laws. ACIR stands for Advisory Council on Intergovernmental Relations and is also considered partly legislative.

All persons who seek to influence legislation, except Lobbying members of the Legislature or their aides, must register with the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House before they begin lobbying. Every lobbyist must also state any direct business association or partnership with any current member of the Legislature. The definition of a lobbyist includes everyone who tries to influence legislators, except persons who make a single appearance before a committee without receiving additional compensation.

# **Enforcement** of authority

Both houses of the Legislature have the power to compel witnesses to appear before the house or its committees. Either house may punish a non-member

guilty of disorderly or contemptuous conduct in its presence. A fine of up to \$1000 or imprisonment not exceeding 90 days may be imposed. Each house may also punish its own members for contempt or for disorderly conduct. By a two-thirds vote, either house may expel a member. The Legislature, however. is the sole judge of its members and is the only body which can remove a member from office.

Rules adopted by the Senate and the House of Representatives establish a code of conduct for

legislators and for legislative employees. The Senate rules provide: "Every senator shall conduct himself to justify the confidence placed in him by the people and, by personal example and admonition to colleagues, shall maintain the integrity and responsibility of his office." Senators are prohibited from using the influence of their offices to benefit themselves personally; they are required to disclose any personal interests in proposed legislation that would create a conflict of interest.

# lournals and calendars

The Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House publish a journal and a calendar daily during the legislative session. The journal details the

proceedings on the floor, committee reports and related actions of the previous day. The calendar is a schedule of business to be taken up that day and the next, including committee meetings and bills to be considered.

The journal and the calendar are given to the legislators each morning before the session convenes and are available to other interested parties. The calendar is of special significance to persons interested in the progress of particular bills, since it lists the order of bills scheduled for floor action and committee consideration.

A "special order" of bills to be considered "on the floor" is set each day by a subcommittee of the Rules and Calendar Committee.

# legislation

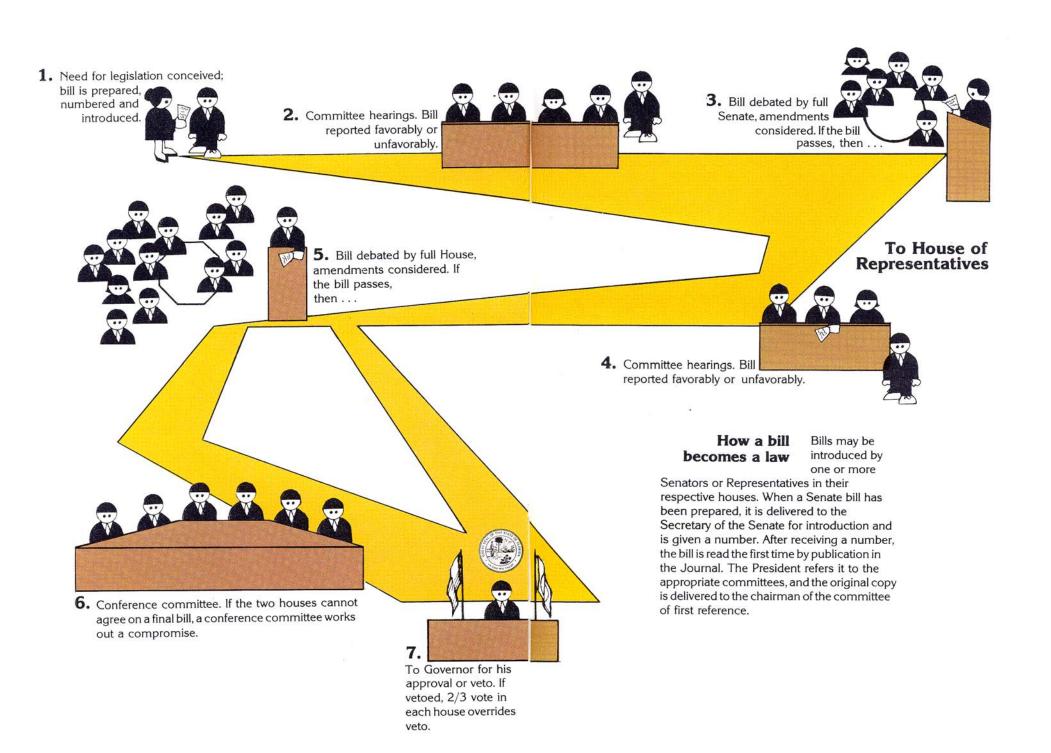
**Forms of** Legislative proposals may be in the form of bills. resolutions, concurrent resolutions, joint resolutions,

A bill is a proposed law, and it may be either a general bill or a local bill. A general bill would have a general impact within the state; a local bill would affect only a particular county or town named in the bill. Prior to its introduction, a local bill must either be advertised in the area to be affected, or it must contain a provision to allow the voters in the area to accept or reject the measure if it is passed by the Legislature. A majority vote is required to pass a bill.

A resolution expresses the opinion of one house of the Legislature, whereas a concurrent resolution expresses the opinion of both houses. A joint resolution is usually a proposal to amend the State Constitution, to apportion the Legislature, to set the effective date of a vetoed bill when the veto is overridden, or to recess for more than seventy-two hours. Resolutions, concurrent resolutions, and joint resolutions are passed by a majority vote, except that a three-fifths vote of the members of both houses is required to pass a joint resolution that proposes an amendment to the State Constitution.

A memorial is a petition addressed to the President of the United States, the Congress, or some official agency of the federal government. It requests action or expresses the Legislature's collective viewpoint and is passed by a majority vote.

After a notice is published in the calendar, the committees meet in open session to hear debate on the bill, and vote to recommend it favorably or unfavorably to the entire Senate.



When the committee reports are received by the Secretary of the Senate, they are published in the journal. If the reports are favorable, the bill is placed on the calendar of bills available for second reading. It may then be read a second time and is subject to amendment. If amended, the changes are incorporated into the bill and it is then returned to the floor as a bill available for third reading. When the bill is read a third time, general debate is allowed and a final vote is taken.

If the bill receives a favorable vote, it is delivered by messenger to the House of Representatives, where it works its way through House committees to the floor for action by the full House. If the House amends the bill, it must go back to the Senate. If the Senate does not approve of the House amendments, then the bill may go to a conference committee where a compromise version of the bill is agreed upon. When the bill is approved by both houses, in exactly the same form, the bill becomes an act. It is then enrolled as a part of the official records by the Secretary of the Senate and is certified to the Governor for his action.

An act becomes a law when signed by the Governor, or after the passage of a time specified in the Constitution it becomes law without his signature. Within the time set forth in the Constitution, the bill is subject to the Governor's veto. If the Governor disapproves of legislation, he must return the bill with his written objections to the house in which the bill originated. The veto may be overridden by a two-thirds vote of the members of each house, and the act thus becomes law, the Governor's veto to the contrary notwithstanding.

Companion bills are often used as a timesaving device. These are identical bills, introduced in both houses, which allow simultaneous committee study in each body. If favorably reported by committee, the companion bills advance in the same manner as other bills. When a House-passed companion bill reaches the Senate, it can be substituted for the Senate bill which is on the calendar.

The appropriations bill is one of the most important bills considered by the Legislature. This bill is the state's budget and it determines the amount of money available to various state agencies during the next two years. Biennial budgets are adopted in every odd-numbered year. The appropriations bill follows the same course as other general bills, but because it is difficult to get both houses to agree on all items in the bill, a conference committee is usually appointed to resolve the differences.

The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, members of the **Impeachments** Cabinet, justices of the Supreme Court, and judges of the District Courts of Appeal and Circuit Courts may be removed from office only by impeachment. The House of Representatives has the sole power to impeach, that is, to bring charges. The Senate then tries all impeachments, with the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court presiding. A two-thirds vote of the House of Representatives is required to impeach, and a two-thirds vote of the Senate is required to convict. If convicted, the officer is removed from office.

# The Executive Branch

The Florida Constitution vests the supreme executive power of the state in the Governor and provides that he shall ensure that the laws are faithfully executed. It provides for a Lieutenant Governor to be elected in a joint candidacy with the Governor. The Lieutenant Governor works with the Governor and performs such duties pertaining to the office of the Governor assigned to him by the Governor, or as otherwise provided by law. The Constitution also provides that the Governor shall be assisted by a Cabinet composed of an Attorney General, a Commissioner of Agriculture, a Commissioner of Education, a Comptroller, a Secretary of State, and a Treasurer.

The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and members of the Cabinet are elected to four-year terms. They take office on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January following their election in November of non-presidential election years. The Governor may succeed himself in office unless he has served more than six years in two consecutive terms. Cabinet members are not limited in the number of terms they may serve. The salary of the Governor is \$69,550 per year, the Lieutenant Governor receives \$60,455 and the Cabinet officers receive \$59,385 annually.

To be eligible for election to the office of Governor. Lieutenant Governor. or to a Cabinet post, a candidate must be a qualified voter, not less than thirty years old, and a resident of Florida for the preceding seven years. The Attorney General must also have been a member of The Florida Bar for the preceding five years.

The Constitution requires that the functions of the executive branch be divided into not more than twenty-five departments, exclusive of the departments established in the Constitution. Under the 1969 Reorganization Act, the Governor appoints the secretaries of seven departments and appoints the members of boards that head three other departments. These appointments are subject to confirmation by the Senate. The Governor and certain members of the Cabinet form a board to head or supervise seven other departments.

# the Governor

Powers of In addition to his duties as chief executive officer of the state, the Governor is given the power to appoint many state and county officers not chosen by

popular election and to fill vacancies in elective office. In some cases, the Senate is required to approve appointments made by the Governor. He may also suspend, for causes set forth in the Constitution, officers not liable to impeachment. Suspended officers may be removed, however, only with the consent of the Senate.

The Governor also has legislative duties. He calls the Legislature into session on special occasions, stating the purpose for which the session is called. He addresses the Legislature at each regular session, detailing conditions in the state and recommending action he feels the Legislature should take. The Governor must also approve all bills passed by the Legislature before they become law.

# The Judicial Branch

The Judicial Branch is the state's system of trial and appellate courts in which citizens may litigate their grievances. Florida's court system was completely revamped in 1972 when the voters adopted a new judicial article to the state Constitution. Since the revision of the judicial branch, Florida has one of the most progressive court systems in the nation. The revision abolished the state's fourteen different types of trial courts and created a series of circuit and county courts to conduct trials. Appeals from those trial courts may be taken to the District Courts of Appeal and, in certain cases, to the Florida Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court is at the top of Florida's court system; it is the final state court of appeal. The Supreme Court determines the constitutionality of statutes and has the authority to issue advisory opinions to the Governor. The Court also has administrative responsibilities over all lower courts. There are seven Supreme Court justices, each appointed by the Governor and retained by a popular vote every six years.

The District Courts of Appeal are the intermediate appellate tribunals to which most appeals from trial courts must go. There are four judicial districts in Florida, with courts located in Tallahassee, Lakeland, West Palm Beach, and Miami. Three or more judges appointed by the Governor sit on each district court. These judges must be reconfirmed by the voters every six years.

Circuit courts are located in each of Florida's twenty judicial circuits. Some circuits contain only one county, but most are multi-county. The circuit courts are at the top of the trial system, and they also hear limited appeals from county courts. Circuit courts now handle several phases of trials most urgent to the citizens which formerly were vested in county courts, including probate, juvenile, and competency matters. Circuit judges are elected to six-year terms.

County courts preside over the criminal trials of misdemeanors and some civil cases. They also have the power to issue warrants of arrest and perform other specified functions, including the initial proceedings in all criminal cases. There is one county court located in each of Florida's sixty-seven counties. County judges are elected to four-year terms.

# Judicial commissions

Four other bodies work directly with the judiciary to ensure that the court system is continually strengthened. The Judicial Nominating Commission

recommends to the Governor appointments to judicial vacancies in the state. The Judicial Qualifications Commission investigates and recommends to the Supreme Court the removal of any justice or judge whose conduct demonstrates an unfitness to hold office. The Judicial Council studies the operation of the courts in Florida and recommends to the Legislature changes in the judicial system. The Judicial Administrative Commission provides administrative services and assistance to the various courts in the state.

# Florida, the bustling, bullish state also has its quiet, peaceful, tranquil side



Fishing is Florida—on the Gulf, the Atlantic, or one of our thousands of quiet, beautiful streams or lakes.



A Cedar Key street shows the pace of that peaceful fishing village. The crowds do come though—for fishing, seafood dinners, and art festivals.



The Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings home, near Gainesville, is a perfect picture of quiet country living in Florida.

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