

## THE FLORIDA SENATE

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July 31, 2025

Mr. Brandon Newsom 1450 Mitchell Road Ponce de Leon, Florida 32455

RE: Executive Order of Suspension, Executive Order 25-152

Dear Mr. Newsom:

The Florida Senate has received Executive Order 25-152 in which the Governor has suspended you as County Commissioner of Holmes County, Florida, District 2. Pursuant to Article IV, s. 7(b) of the Florida Constitution, the Florida Senate may either remove you from office or reinstate you to office.

You have a right to a hearing conducted in accordance in Part V, Chapter 112, Florida Statutes and Senate Rule 12. However, Senate Rule 12.9(2) requires all inquiry, investigation, or hearings to be held in abeyance and not considered by the Senate until the pending charges are dismissed or until final determination of the criminal charges is rendered, including the exhaustion of all appellate remedies. Given the pending criminal charges against you, the Senate's consideration of your suspension is held in abeyance pursuant to Senate Rule 12.9(2).

At the conclusion of the pending criminal matter, should you wish to have a hearing, it is your responsibility to submit your written request to the Office of the Senate Secretary. Until the criminal matter is resolved, please direct any questions to the Secretary of the Senate at the contact information below. It is your responsibility to make sure the Senate has your correct contact information.

If you choose to submit your written resignation to the Governor's Office, please provide a copy of the resignation to the Office of the Senate Secretary. The Secretary will record your decision to resign in the official records of the Senate and this matter will be closed.

To learn more about the Senate's process, or to access applicable statutes and rules, please visit the Senate website, <a href="www.flsenate.gov">www.flsenate.gov</a>, ad navigate to the Executive suspensions webpage, <a href="http://www.flsenate.gov/Sessions/ExecutiveSuspensions">http://www.flsenate.gov/Sessions/ExecutiveSuspensions</a>.

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If you have any questions concerning this notice, please contact the undersigned.

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