

NEFEC – Enrolled Bills – End of Regular Session 2026

Number	Title	Sponsor
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HB 0145	Claims Against the Government	McFarland
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[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

Claims Against the Government: Increasing the statutory limits on the liability of the state and its agencies and subdivisions for tort claims; revising exceptions relating to instituting actions on tort claims against the state or one of its agencies or subdivisions; revising the period after which the failure of certain entities to make a final disposition of a claim shall be deemed a final denial of the claim for certain purposes; revising the statute of limitations for tort claims against the state or one of its agencies or subdivisions and exceptions thereto, etc. Effective Date: October 1, 2026

SB 0178	Athletics in Public K-12 Schools	Jones
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[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

Athletics in Public K-12 Schools; Requiring the Florida High School Athletic Association to adopt bylaws authorizing a head coach to support the welfare of a student by using personal funds to provide certain effects to the student; requiring the head coach to report such use of personal funds to the association; providing that such use of personal funds is presumed not to be an impermissible benefit, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

SB 182	Teacher Training and Mentoring Program	Jones
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[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

Prohibits certain charter school dismissals based on academic performance, modifies scholarship fund reversion, expands private school facility and land use options, requires cursive writing instruction, mandates historical portrait displays, and creates a teacher training and mentoring program. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

[HB 0325](#) [Education and Workforce Development for Inmates](#) Kendall

[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

Education and Workforce Development for Inmates: Authorizes DOT to expend certain funds for all workforce development programs, rather than only construction workforce development programs; authorizes department to provide grants to private educational providers to use for certain certification & training opportunities; requires certification & training opportunities to include training for specified commercial driver licenses to certain inmates; provides eligibility; authorizes department to use workforce development funds for certain certification & training opportunities; requires Correctional Education Program under DOC to annually submit report to Secretary of Corrections with specified information; authorizes Correctional Education Program to implement career & technical education program in which certain inmates can earn specified commercial driver licenses; provides eligibility; authorizes inmate to be transported in or to operate state-owned vehicle; requires certified correctional officer to be present during such transport or operation. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

[HB 0453](#) [Requirements for a Standard High School Diploma](#) Gossett-Seidman

[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

Requirements for a Standard High School Diploma: Provides that completion of 2 years of marching band satisfies both physical education & performing arts requirements for standard high school diploma & that students with disabilities may participate in Special Olympics to meet physical education requirement for standard high school diploma. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

[HB 461](#) [Volunteers at Polling Locations](#) Michael

[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

Clarifies that certain high school students who volunteer at polling places are exempt from the prohibition on private funding and services for election-related purposes. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

[SB 0538](#) [Extracurricular Activities](#)

Simon

[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

Extracurricular Activities; Authorizing district school boards to adopt policies for the use of certain funds to provide funding to athletic coaches or activity sponsors of extracurricular activities; revising eligibility requirements for a student to participate in an interscholastic or intrascholastic extracurricular activity; deleting requirements for the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSA) to facilitate a program for private school students to participate in an interscholastic or intrascholastic sport; authorizing a public school to assess an activity fee for certain students, etc. Effective Date: 7/1/2026

[HB 0561](#) [Educator Preparation and Certification](#) Gerwig

[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

Educator Preparation and Certification: Revises provisions relating to educator preparation institutes, award of temporary educator certifications, & reinstatement & renewal of professional educator certificates; & revises requirements for Florida Center for Teaching Excellence. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

[HB 0753](#) [School Counselors](#)

Hunschofsky

[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

School Counselors: Requires evaluation criteria for certified school counselors to be based on specified standards; provides that persons seeking employment as school counselors are exempt from specified educator certification requirements; & provides that school districts may require such persons to meet certain requirements as condition of employment. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

[HB 0757](#) [School Safety](#)

Salzman

[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

School Safety: Requires sheriffs to assist public postsecondary educational institutions in implementing guardian programs under certain provisions; authorizes public postsecondary educational institutions to participate in the school guardian program; requires a sheriff to establish a guardian training program or contract with certain other sheriff's offices to do so in certain circumstances; creates the offense of discharging a weapon or firearm within 1,000 feet of a school; provides that a person arrested for certain offenses must be held in custody until brought before the court for admittance to bail; ranks an offense created by the act on the offense severity ranking chart of the Criminal Punishment Code; authorizes the State Board of Education and the Board of Governors to adopt rules and regulations, respectively, etc. Effective Date: upon becoming a law

[SB 0824](#) [School District Unimproved Real Property](#)

Truenow

[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

School District Unimproved Real Property; Requiring school districts to annually submit complete inventories of unimproved real property owned by the district to the Department of Education; requiring the department to compile and publish such data in a statewide report, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

[HB 0851](#) [Professional Learning for Instructional and School Administrative Personnel](#)

Long

[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

Professional Learning for Instructional and School Administrative Personnel: Requires certain professional learning systems to provide at least one autism-specific professional learning opportunity. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

[HB 1069](#) [Background Screenings](#)

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No Senate Bill Summary

[House Bill Summary](#)

Expand background screening requirements for youth athletic coaches and referees, clarify allowable exceptions, and modify disclosure obligations for sealed and expunged criminal records. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

[HB 1073](#) [School Districts](#)

Koster

[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

School Districts: Providing members of a district school board with specified rights; requiring that certain documents from district school board meetings be kept as public records; defining the term "good cause"; providing that a school district employee may not be required or incentivized to sign a nondisclosure agreement or confidentiality agreement; prohibiting a school district from imposing certain conditions on employment, etc. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

[HB 1081](#) [Cybersecurity Experiential Learning](#)

Sirois

[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

Cybersecurity Experiential Learning: Requires, subject to Legislative appropriation, Florida Center for Cybersecurity (Cyber Florida) to develop Cybersecurity Experiential Learning Program; provides requirements for program; & provides reporting requirements for Cyber Florida related to participation in & improvement of program. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

[HB 1085](#) [Local Government Cyber Security](#)

Miller

[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

Local Government Cyber Security: Creating the Local Government Cybersecurity Protection Program within the Florida Digital Service, to be administered by the Florida Digital Service; requiring the Florida Digital Service to enter into certain data-sharing agreements with local governments for a specified purpose; requiring the Florida Digital Service to administer the grant program based on specified criteria to provide information technology commodities and services to local governments for a specified purpose; requiring the Florida Digital Service to contract for information technology commodities and services and award such commodities and services to local governments; requiring the Florida Digital Service to prepare and submit a specified report to the Governor's Office of Policy and Budget and the chairs of the legislative appropriations committees, etc.
Effective Date: July 1, 2026

[HB 1201](#) [Student Health and Safety](#)

Mooney Jr.

[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

Student Health and Safety: Revises DOH responsibilities for educational programs concerning epilepsy; revises requirements for student's individualized seizure action plan; revises list of which employees must complete training in care of students with epilepsy & seizure disorders; & provides that training is valid for 5 years. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

[HB 1279](#) [Education](#)

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[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

Education: Requires entities that offer fee-based services to individuals who are blind or visually impaired to disclose in writing whether the services may be obtained elsewhere at no cost; requires certain service providers to apply to, rather than register with, the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation; revises the date for a requirement to obtain a license as a marriage and family therapist; revises public information requirements relating to virtual instruction options; revises the conditions considered an educational emergency;

authorizes a student to carry a United States Food and Drug Administration-approved epinephrine delivery devices, rather than epinephrine auto-injectors; deletes obsolete provisions related to calculation of kindergarten readiness rates; requires the Department of Children and Families to determine whether a child care provider is the primary cause of certain class I violations; revises provisions related to certain law schools; authorizes a school district to reserve funds for certain STEM-related educational services, etc.
Effective Date: July 1, 2026

[SB 1296](#) [Public Employees Relations Commission](#) Martin

[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

Revises the processes, timeframes, and requirements for public employee union membership, certification, disputes, and appeals, including modifications to final order procedures, recertification thresholds, membership deductions, and definitions. Effective Date: July 1, 2026

[HB 1471](#) [Systems of Law and Terrorist Organizations](#) Cassel

[Senate Bill Summary](#)

[House Bill Summary](#)

Systems of Law and Terrorist Organizations: Provides that person who willfully becomes member of domestic terrorist organization & serves under direction or control of such organization with specified intent commits specified crime; authorizes Chief of Domestic Security to designate organization domestic terrorist organization or foreign terrorist organization; requires Chief to provide specified written notice to Governor & Cabinet before making designation; provides Governor & Cabinet may by majority vote approve or reject designation; requires Chief to publish such designation in Florida Administrative Register; prohibits state agencies, political subdivisions, & public school districts from expending certain public funds to support organization designated domestic terrorist organization or foreign terrorist organization, or accepting funds from such organizations; requires that certain students of Florida College System institutions & state universities be immediately expelled & assessed out-of-state fees after determination has been made such students have promoted domestic terrorist organization or foreign terrorist organization. Effective Date: July 1, 2026