

# ACE of Florida Summer Symposium 2024 Legislative Update



# 2024 Session By the Numbers

- ▶ **1902 (1828 – 2023) bills filed**
- ▶ **General bills, resolutions, memorials, appropriations**
- ▶ **General Bills 898 – Senate      834 – House**
- ▶ **40 Senators                      120 Representatives**

# 2024 Session By the Numbers

- ▶ **325 passed both chambers**
- ▶ **233 signed by the governor**
- ▶ **3 vetoes**
- ▶ **34 on Governor's desk**

# 2024 Session By the Numbers

- ▶ **42 bills awaiting presentation**
- ▶ **24-25 Budget has not been signed**

## Since 2000

- ▶ **2000 – 4 Governors**
- ▶ **2513 Average General Bills Filed Per Year**
- ▶ **High 3685/2022 Low 1732/2024**
- ▶ **11 – Average Number of Vetoes Per Year**
- ▶ **13.1% Average Number Signed**
- ▶ **High 2023/19.5% Low 2019/5.6%**

# Budgets



- ▶ **\$117.7 Billion for 2024-25 (July 1)**
- ▶ **\$1B more than last year**
- ▶ **2003-04 \$53B**
- ▶ **\$1.8 B increase in the FEFP**
- ▶ **Workforce fund bump**

## 2024 Session - Highlights

- ▶ **Not as “orchestrated”**
- ▶ **Leadership priorities**
- ▶ **Social media – minors**
- ▶ **Live healthy**
- ▶ **Tax breaks**

## 2024 Session - Notable Bills That Passed

- ▶ 7032 (GATE)
- ▶ 1291 Restricts topics in teacher ed programs
- ▶ 1285 Book Challenge Restrictions
- ▶ 931 Chaplains in Schools
- ▶ 1317 Patriotic Organizations in Schools (specifies 8)
- ▶ 1264/1389 History of Communism (2026)
- ▶ 7002/7004 Dereg of Public Education (lowers HSE requirement from 18 to 16)
- ▶ 0003 Social Media - minors (replaced vetoed 0001)



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- ▶ 49 Teen Labor
- ▶ 151 FRS Rules
- ▶ 159 Towing and Storage Practices
- ▶ 523 Seal of Fine Arts
- ▶ 865 Requires Coaches to be certified in CPR and the use of and AED
- ▶ 917 Allows 16/17-year-olds to work in construction with OSHA cert (limitations)
- ▶ 919 AI in Political Ads requires a disclaimer
- ▶ 1291 Prohibits Teacher Prep program from teaching identity politics
- ▶ 1371 Patriotic Orgs in Schools

## 2024 Session - Notable Bills That Passed

- ▶ 1363 Toughens use of red-light cameras
- ▶ 1403 Expands school choice
- ▶ 1473 Clarifies School Guardian Program
- ▶ 522 Officially changes TCC to TSC
- ▶ 564 Young Adult Aftercare Services related to Postsecondary Education
- ▶ 1264 Anti Communism Classes 2026-27
- ▶ 1688 Increases awareness for CTE opportunities

## 2024 Session - Notable Bills That Failed

- ▶ **Prevent removal of historic monuments**
- ▶ **Term limits on county commissioners**
- ▶ **Lower threshold for public officials to sue for defamation**
- ▶ **THC caps on marijuana**
- ▶ **Ticketmaster monopoly**
- ▶ **Gun purchase waiting period**
- ▶ **Lower age limit to buy rifles**
- ▶ **Open carry**

# 2024 Session - Dave's 3 Favorites

- ▶ 1084 Banned lab-grown meat
- ▶ Shooting across property lines (did not pass)

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- ▶ 583 Allows larger wine bottles up to 4 gallons



# 2024-25 Advocacy Focus

- ▶ **New leadership**
- ▶ **Ben Albritton Senate President, Charlotte, DeSoto, Hardee, Lee, Polk**
- ▶ **Daniel Perez House Speaker, Miami**
- ▶ **Freshmen legislators after November**
- ▶ **ACE priority restore adult ed performance funding level to 23-24 \$5M**

# THANK YOU!!

- ▶ **To everyone who came to Tallahassee last February**
- ▶ **To everyone who emailed, called or communicated with their legislator over the past year**
- ▶ **To everyone who sent us intel on issues they heard from the field**
- ▶ **To everyone who has a relationship with their legislators and staff**

# Important Dates For Florida

- ▶ **August 20**                      **Primary Elections**
- ▶ **November 5**                      **General Election**
- ▶ **Jan.-Feb. 2025**                      **Committee Weeks**
- ▶ **March 4**                      **Regular session begins**
- ▶ **May 2**                      **Regular session ends**







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# Questions - Issues - Concerns

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