State Representative Chip LaMarca

Serving District 93

February 2019 Update

Eric,

I hope that you are doing well. I am continuing to monitor things at the local level dealing with the GMCA (library progress and road issues.)

As you know, as Members we have six bill slots, and with leadership requests many of those end up being used for priority issues. That being said, we have managed to focus a couple of those slots for issues that are important to the district. This chart shows the six bills in yellow, other bills I have decided to cosponsor in white, a local bill in blue and local appropriations in green.

HB 325: Coastal Management:

I have placed a tremendous priority to maintaining that the 700 miles of Florida's beaches are healthy as ours are in Segment II. You can see that this is a continuation of the work that I have been doing over the past eight years.

HB 9 Community Redevelopment Agencies:

This bill is to maintain transparency, oversight and accountability to the CRA's in Florida so that the people and businesses funding these entities know where their money is going and how it is being spent. It requires a two-thirds vote of all voters in a county to create a new CRA or extend the time of an existing CRA. It also requires that the members of the CRA Board take four-hour of ethics training.

HB 341 Motor Vehicles and Railroad Trains:

This bill was brought to us by the SFRTA/Tri-Rail to clarify the existing law that is confusing and groups trains with motor vehicles for the purposes of accident investigations. It currently requires passengers on a train that may not have been a witness to anything (due to the linear nature of the path of trains) and remain on the train for hours during an investigation.

HB 727 Hazing:

This bill is of critical importance to all college and university students, but specifically for the family of Andrew Coffey, after the loss of their son at Florida State University. Andrew was a resident of Lighthouse Point and this bill would offer protections for hazing incidents for students outside of the Greek system, in other collegiate programs. It would also offer fellow students the protection of amnesty should they find it necessary to contact the authorities in the event of a person being in danger of their health or life.

HB 943 Driver License Reinstatement Days

This bill requires each judicial circuit to establish Driver License Reinstatement Days program for reinstating suspended or revoked driver licenses. It provides event scheduling requirements and authorizes the waiver of certain fees for driver license reinstatement.

HB 1129 Public Lodging Establishments:

This bill defines the term "hosting platform" and requires certain public lodging establishments to display license number in all advertising for rentals. It provides civil penalties and requires the Division of Hotels & Restaurants of DBPR to adopt rules & authorizes division to revoke, or refuse to issue or renew, vacation rental licenses.

HB 1185 Downtown Development Authority of the City of Fort Lauderdale:

This is a local bill and would merely extend the term of the existing Fort Lauderdale DDA to enable building and boding of the proposed City/County Government Campus, as well as the new Federal Courthouse. It does not create any additional taxes or expand the existing DDA boundaries.

I am happy to talk about the remaining items, which are mostly appropriations that were submitted to us by many of the local municipalities and non-profit organizations.

HB 9	Community Redevelopment Agencies
<u>HB 99</u>	Shark Fins and Ray Parts
<u>HB 325</u>	Coastal Management
<u>HB 341</u>	Motor Vehicles and Railroad Trains
<u>HB 379</u>	Animal Welfare
<u>HB 675</u>	Public School Transportation
<u>HB 727</u>	Hazing
<u>HB 741</u>	Anti-Semitism
<u>HB 857</u>	<u>Firefighters</u>
<u>HB 943</u>	Driver License Reinstatement Days
<u>HB 1129</u>	Public Lodging Establishments
<u>HB 1185</u>	Downtown Development Authority of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Broward County
<u>HB 1401</u>	Film, Television, and Digital Media Targeted Grant Program
<u>HB 2233</u>	Florida Atlantic University - A.D. Henderson University Lab School
<u>HB 4741</u>	Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Septic to Sewer
<u>HB 4743</u>	Broward County Sheriff's Office - Real Time Crime Center
<u>HB 4745</u>	Pompano Beach Deep Well Replacement
<u>HB 4747</u>	Broward County State Attorney Liaison Program
<u>HB 4749</u>	Nancy Cotterman Center - Human Trafficking Coordination / Outreach
<u>HB 4751</u>	Foster Family Recruitment & Stability Project
<u>HB 4753</u>	Fort Lauderdale Cordova Road Seawall Replacement Project
<u>HB 4755</u>	Nova Southeastern University - Pediatric Feeding Disorders Program
<u>HB 4757</u>	Replacement of Henderson Behavioral Health Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU)
HB 4759	Broward College - STEM Center on North Campus
<u>HB 4761</u>	Employment and Income Verification Services
<u>HB 4763</u>	Pompano Beach Stormwater Master Plan Area-9 NE 4th St and NE 3rd St
<u>HB 4765</u>	Pompano Beach Reuse Expansion Project Phase I
<u>HB 4767</u>	Broward County Board of County Commissioners - Ryan White Part A Test and Treat Program (TnT)
<u>HB 4919</u>	Children's Healing Institute - Parent Aide Child Abuse Prevention Services
<u>HB 4921</u>	Ligature Mitigation at South Florida State Hospital, South Florida Evaluation and Treatment Center, and
	Treasure Coast Forensic Treatment Center
<u>HB 6035</u>	Homestead Tax Exemptions
<u>HB 7025</u>	OGSR/Treatment-based Drug Court Programs

<u>HB 9125</u>	Feeding South Florida Mobile Farmacy
<u>HB 9171</u>	Riverside Drive Streetscape Improvements Project
<u>HB 9173</u>	McNab Road Streetscape Improvements Project
<u>HB 9253</u>	FIRST Robotics Teams Grant

Specifically, with regard to ELSS and the multiple bills that have been filed by House and Senate Members, I am supportive of giving the residents of ours and other communities the ability to choose how best to keep their homes protected and safe from possible catastrophes, which include natural disasters, fires and events caused by failure of existing mechanical systems. I have always maintained that the safety of our residents comes first, and have committed to working with the professionals tasked with the protection of our people. I have also been working and listening to Ellyn Bogdanoff on this issue. I will follow all of the bills that have been filed and see what committees that I have the opportunity to weigh in on this issue. Please let me know if there are any issues specific to the GMCA as we move forward and thank you for your continued support and friendship.

Best regards,

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