# 2022 SESSION WRAP-UP

## WELCOME

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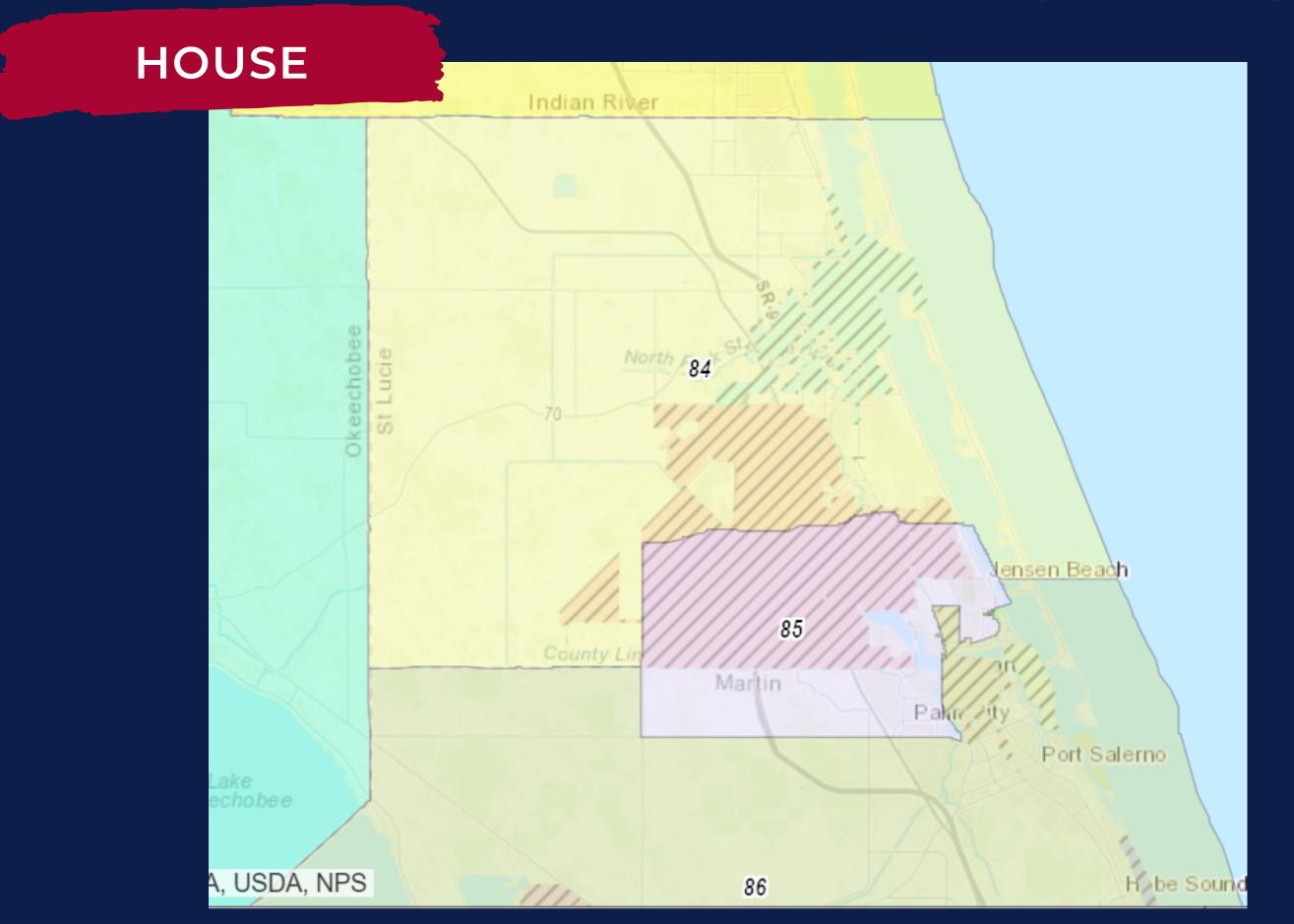


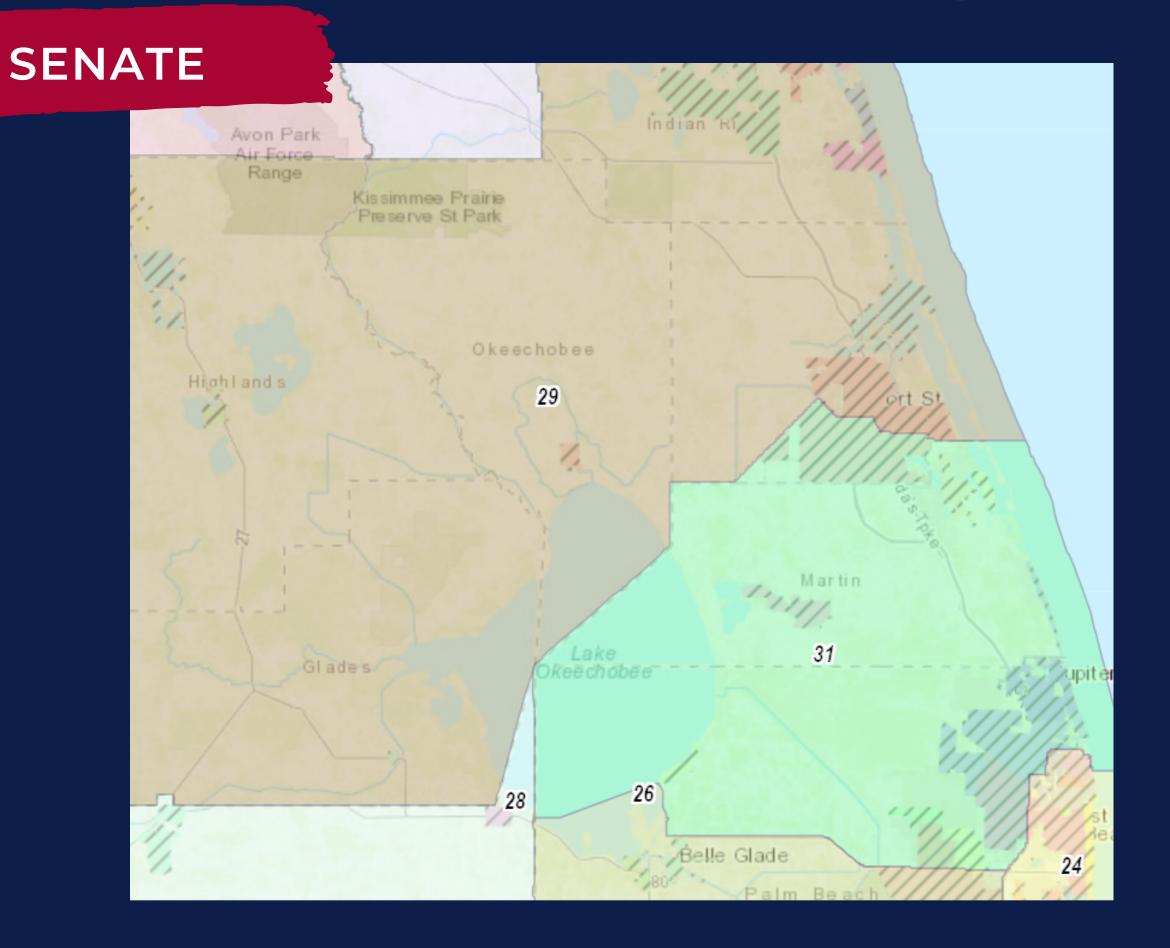


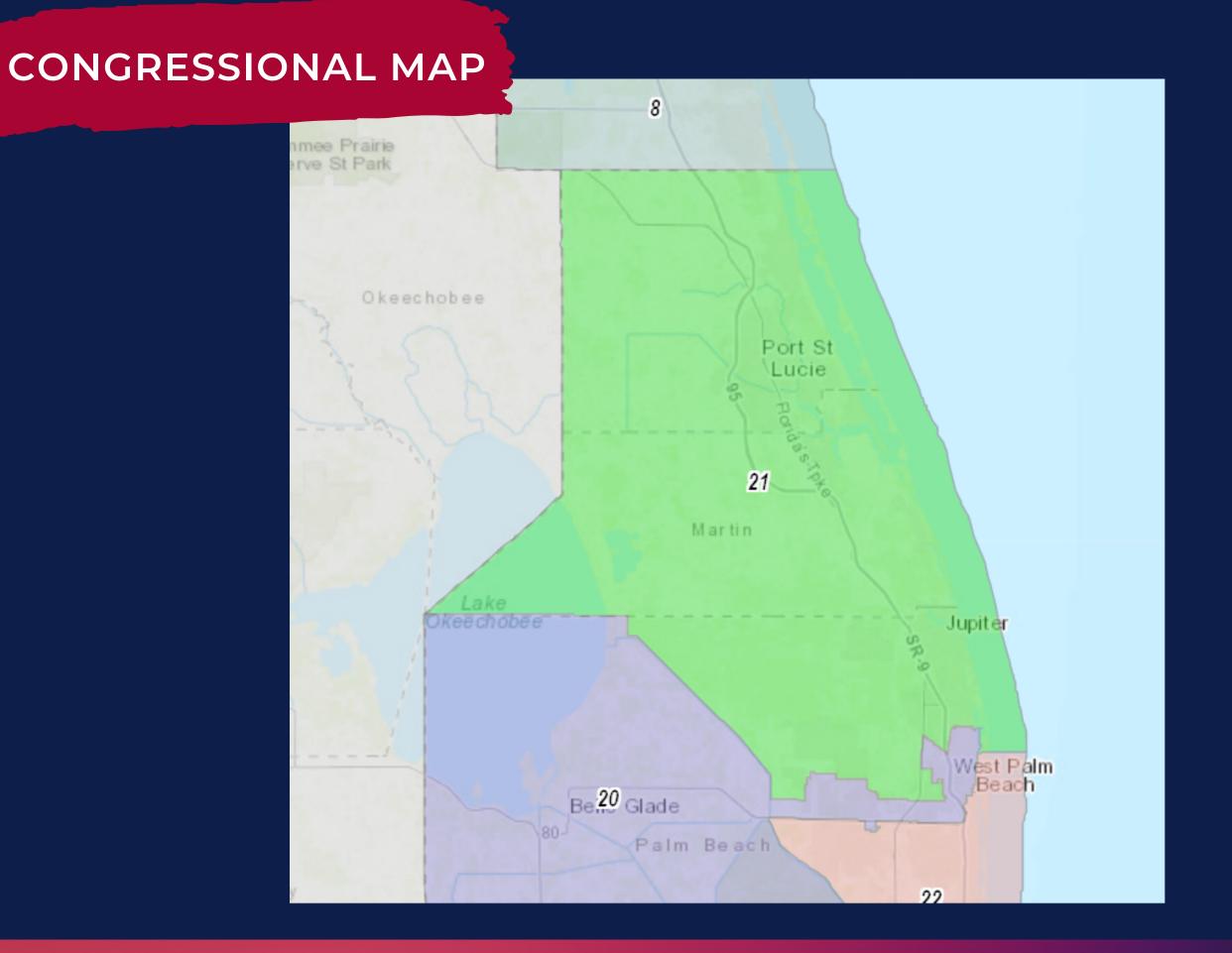
#### REDISTRICTING

## HOUSE, SENATE, CONGRESS

- House and Senate maps were passed by the legislature and have been approved by the Florida Supreme Court
- On March 29, the Governor received and quickly vetoed the Legislature's
  Congressional maps (SB 102) and a special session has been called for April 19-22 to
  redraw Florida's 28 districts
- On April 21, during special session, the legislature passed SB 2C, which contains the
  congressional districts to serve for the qualification, nomination, and election of
  members to the U.S. House of Representatives in the primary and general elections
  held in 2022 and thereafter.
- On April 22, 2022, the Governor signed SB 2C into law.

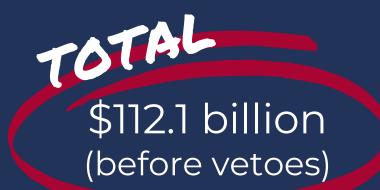




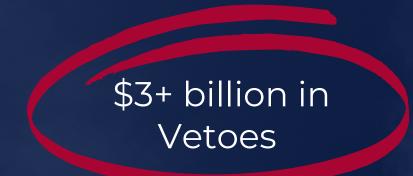


BUDGET



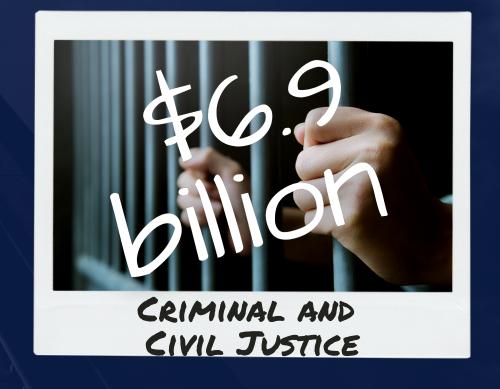


including \$8.9 billion in reserves and \$43.7 in general revenue







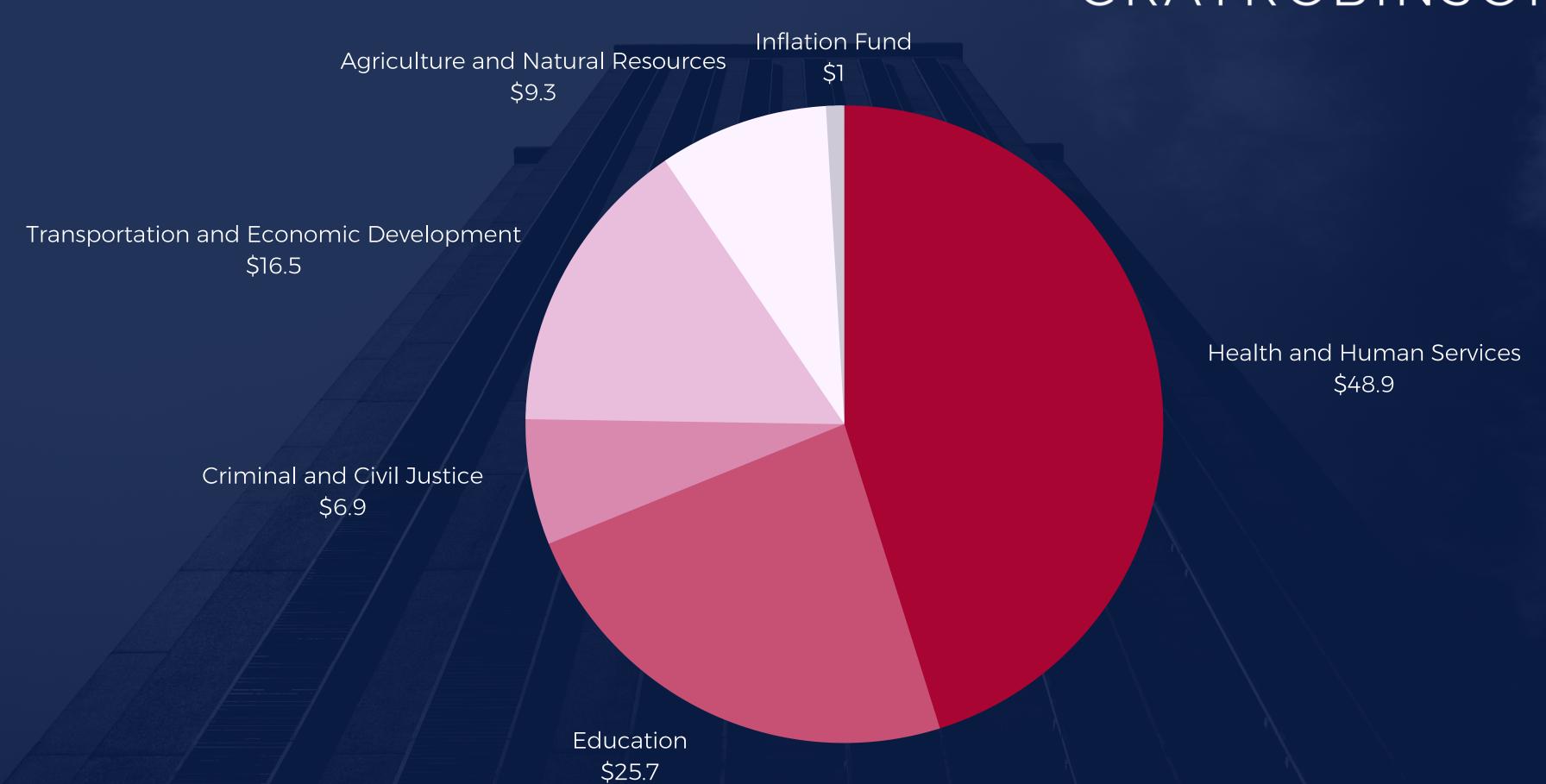








includes full funding of the FDOT workplan









- 14 day back to school sales tax holiday beginning July 25
- 14 day disaster preparedness sales tax holiday beginning May 28
- Freedom Week beginning July 1
- 7-day "tools" sales tax holiday beginning September 3rd for the skilled trades
- Yearlong sales tax exemption on children's clothing, shoes, and diapers
- One month motor fuels sales tax holiday beginning October 1
- Sales tax exemption on Formula 1, World Cup, and Daytona 500 tickets

## UNIQUE LOCAL PROJECTS

- Southern Grove Jobs Corridor Water Main Project: \$1,744,150 (vetoed)
- St. Lucie River/C-23 Water Quality Restoration Project Area 7A Design: \$416,875

# INCREASED REVENUES AND USE OF FEDERAL RELIEF FUNDS

The size of Florida's budget grew due to:

- Use of federal dollars (CARES and ARPA) unspent from 2020 and 2021
- Massive increase in sales tax collections, driven by tourism and enhanced consumer activity, which greatly surpassed even the most aggressive of estimates by Florida's Office of Economic and Demographic Research quarter after quarter
  - o For example, in January alone Florida collected more than \$200 million over projections

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT ISSUES



#### **PREEMPTION BILLS**



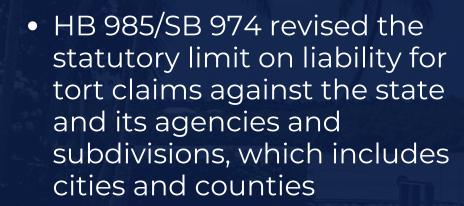
 Business Compensation (SB 620)

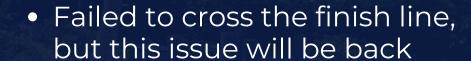


 Business impact statements (SB 280)



#### **SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY**









## LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

- Would have required all municipal elected officials and city managers to file a full and public disclosure of financial interests annually
- Passed the Senate but never made it to the House Floor for a final vote



#### TREE TRIMMING

SB 518 changes the standard that allows a homeowner to trim, prune, or remove a tree, from it posing a "danger" to it posing an unacceptable risk" and revising the documentation required to determine such



#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

HB 7049 allows a government agency to publish legal notices on the publically accessible website of a county, instead of a newspaper



## SMOKING IN PUBLIC PLACES

- Currently prohibited by law, the bill gives local governments the ability to provide smoke-free zones on any public beach or public park they own
- Passed both chambers and is now headed to the Governor



#### LOCAL TAX REFERENDA REQUIREMENTS

- HB 777 requires referenda authorizing certain optional local taxes to be held at a general election
- Tourist development tax, areas of critical state concern tourist impact tax, children's services independent special district tax, county temporary excess ad valorem millage, Municipal temporary excess ad valorem millage, county transportation motor fuel tax, local option fuel tax, school district millage

## AFFORDABLE HOUSING



SHIP: \$209.5 million

SAIL: \$153.25 million

...including \$100 million dedicated for a new "Hometown Heroes" program

#### "Hometown Heroes"

Provides down payment assistance to first time homebuyers who are police, firefighters, 911 operators, teachers, paramedics, health care workers, and home health aides

WHAT'S NEXT?



## 2023

## LEGISLATIVE SESSION DATES

- Elections November 8
- Organizational Session (potential Special Session for property tax) -Week of November 14
- Committee Weeks December through February
- Regular Session Tuesday, March 7
- End of Session Friday, May 5

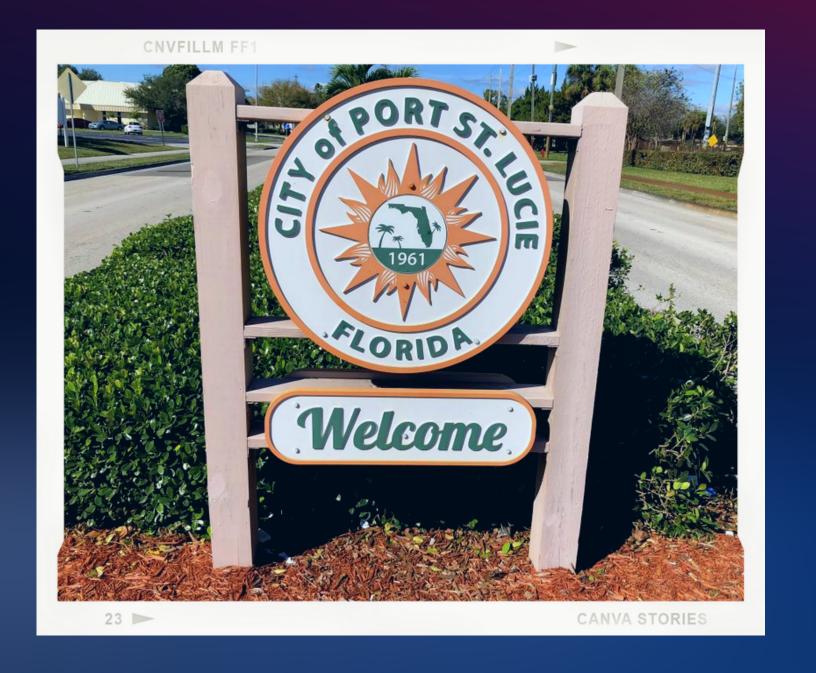
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