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# Voters approve school safety tax

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By a comfortable margin, Lake County voters on Tuesday approved an increase in their property taxes to pay for additional school security.

With 101 of 102 precincts counted at 8 p.m., the tax was passing by a healthy margin of 56.5 percent to 43.5 percent.

The tax was proposed by the School Board in the months following the shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas

High School in south Florida, as the board wrestled with how to pay for security personnel and upgrades for the schools.

In June the School Board unanimously agreed to ask voters to approve .75 mills of tax for school security. A mill is \$1 of taxes for every \$1,000 in the taxable value of a home. With the \$25,000 homestead exemption, someone with a home valued at \$100,000 would pay about \$56 a year for school security.

"I would just like to say thank you to the voters for trusting us with their tax dollars," School Board Chairwoman Stephanie Luke said Tuesday evening as it became clear the tax would prevail.

Added Board member Bill Mathias: "It truly shows the spirit of Lake County residents. We're not going to rely on Tallahassee. We're going to protect our kids."

While they haven't

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From left, Officer Christa Kemeny, Officer Jeremy Alexander, Officer Conner Deering, Officer Ethan Green and Officer St. Francis Smith are the new resource officers from the Mount Dora Police Department for five area schools. [CINDY SHARP/CORRESPONDENT]

# Luke, Mathias win big

By Payne Ray  
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Stephanie Luke and Bill Mathias cruised to easy victories Tuesday in their bids to reclaim their seats on the Lake County School Board.

Mathias finished with more than 61 percent of the vote to about 29 percent for political newcomer Michael Sykes.

Luke made it seem even less of a contest, taking more than 78 percent of the vote, leaving her challenger, former Umatilla Mayor Peter Tarby, with just under 22 percent.

"It continues to be a humbling experience," Luke said as she celebrated with supporters under rainy skies late Tuesday.

Mathias has served on the board for six years, first taking the District 1 seat in 2012 as part of a special, two-term election.

He made a case for his election based on his successful business experience, running Mathias Foodservice since

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Stephanie Luke gets a high five from Barb Shortal after the early returns Tuesday night showed her with a huge lead. [CINDY SHARP/CORRESPONDENT]



Bill Mathias and his wife, Mindy, celebrate as the returns show Mathias well ahead of challenger Michael Sykes Tuesday in Tavares. [CINDY SHARP/CORRESPONDENT]

# Parks keeps County Commission seat

By Payne Ray  
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Sean Parks scored a big victory Tuesday night in his bid to return to the Lake County Commission.

Parks, whose district covers much of south Lake County, received more than 72 percent of the vote to 27.5 for Republican challenger Tad Schnauer.

"I feel very good, I worked very hard, I had a lot of people from across the County, across different interests, all coming out to help," Parks said. "I'm very thankful to them, and I'm very much looking forward to serving Lake County."

The election between Parks and Schnauer was a universal

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# DeSantis, Gillum win primaries for governor

By Zac Anderson  
Gatehouse Media

President Donald Trump's endorsement lifted U.S. Rep. Ron DeSantis to victory in Florida's Republican primary for governor Tuesday and abruptly halted the long rise of Agriculture Commissioner Adam Putnam, for years a darling of the state's GOP establishment.

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President Donald Trump, right, shakes hands with Florida Republican gubernatorial candidate Ron DeSantis during a rally in Tampa on July 31. DeSantis captured the GOP nomination over Adam Putnam. [AP PHOTO/CHRIS O'MEARA, FILE]



Democratic gubernatorial candidate Andrew Gillum speaks during a candidates forum hosted by the Florida League of Cities, Wednesday, Aug. 15, 2018, in Hollywood, Fla. [AP PHOTO/LYNNE SLADKY]

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# NATION & WORLD

## Tearful Graham mourns McCain

Republican senator: 'I cry for a man who had honor'

By Laurie Kellman  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — John McCain's close friend Lindsey Graham mixed laughter and tears on the Senate floor Tuesday as he remembered "Operation Maverick," which he described as lessons in choosing "what's right at your own expense."

"He taught me that honor and imperfection are always in competition," Sen. Graham said, reading from a handwritten outline next to McCain's empty desk, now topped with roses. "I do not cry for a perfect man. I cry for a man who had honor and always was willing to admit to his imperfection."

The South Carolina Republican added, "There's a little McCain in all of us."

Graham's tears were the rawest point in a day in which members were still coming to grips with a Senate now permanently without McCain's wily, white-haired presence, something that had been a constant feature of the institution for more than 30 years.

At one point, Sen. Joe Manchin of West Virginia stepped behind the desk, crossed himself, kissed his fingers and touched the black draping. At another, Republican Sens. Susan Collins of Maine, Tim Scott of South Carolina and Manchin formed a tight circle around McCain's spot and admired the roses.

McCain died Saturday at home in Arizona after 13 months battling brain cancer. He had not been back to Washington since December because of his illness, but stayed engaged in policy debates and expressed his disdain for President Donald Trump in their ongoing feud.

But now he was truly gone, his absence confirmed by his empty chair and desk along a much-traversed aisle.

"When you walk by Sen. McCain's desk and you see the black drape and the bowl of white roses, it really underscores the loss," said Sen. Bill Nelson, D-Fla.

### LOTTERY

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## Report: Nearly 3,000 Maria dead

Independent probe ordered by Puerto Rico officials almost doubles previous estimate

By Danica Coto  
The Associated Press

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Hurricane Maria killed nearly 3,000 people in Puerto Rico in the desperate, sweltering months after the storm — almost double the previous government estimate — with the elderly and impoverished hit hardest, according to an independent study ordered by the U.S. territory.

The new estimate of 2,975 dead in the six months after Maria devastated the island in September 2017 and knocked out the entire electrical grid was made by researchers with the Milken Institute School of Public Health at George Washington University. It was released Tuesday.

"We are hopeful that the government will accept this as an official death toll," said Lynn Goldman, dean of the institute. "A lesson from this is that efforts for assistance and recovery need to focus as much as possible on lower-income areas, on people who are older, who are more vulnerable."

The finding is almost twice the government's previous estimate, included in a recent report to Congress, that there were 1,427 more deaths than normal in the three months after the storm.

The George Washington researchers said the official count from the Sept. 20 hurricane was low in part because doctors were not trained in how to classify deaths after a disaster.

The number of deaths from September 2017 to February 2018 was 22 percent higher than the same period in previous years, Goldman said.

The office of Puerto Rico Gov. Ricardo Rossello did not immediately return a message for comment.



**A Puerto Rican national flag is mounted on debris of a damaged home Oct. 5 in the aftermath of Hurricane Maria in the seaside slum La Perla, San Juan, Puerto Rico. An independent investigation ordered by Puerto Rico's government estimates that nearly 3,000 people died as a result of Hurricane Maria.** [RAMON ESPINOSA/ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTO]

The number of dead has political implications for the Trump administration, which was accused of responding half-heartedly to the disaster. Shortly after the storm, when the official death toll stood at 16, President Donald Trump marveled over the small loss of life compared to that of "a real catastrophe like Katrina."

Hurricane Katrina, which struck New Orleans in 2005, was directly responsible for about 1,200 deaths, according to the National Hurricane Center. That does not include indirect deaths of the sort the George Washington researchers counted in Puerto Rico.

Rep. Nydia Velazquez, a New York Democrat, said the report shows the U.S. government failed the people of Puerto Rico.

"These numbers are only the latest to underscore that the federal response to the hurricanes was disastrously inadequate and, as a result, thousands of our fellow American citizens lost their lives," she said in a statement.

There is no national standard for how to count disaster-related deaths. While the National Hurricane Center reports only direct deaths, such as those caused by flying debris or drowning, some local governments may include indirect deaths from

such things as heart attacks and house fires.

Researchers with George Washington said they counted deaths over the span of six months — a much longer period than usual — because so many people were without power during that time.

"That caused a number of issues," Goldman said, adding that people were forced to exert themselves physically or were exposed to intense heat without fans or air conditioning. "It's fairly striking that you have so many households without electricity for so long. That's unusual in the U.S. after a disaster."

Puerto Rico's government released data in June showing increases in several illnesses in 2017 that could have been linked to the storm: Cases of sepsis, a serious bloodstream infection usually caused by bacteria, rose from 708 in 2016 to 835 last year. Deaths from diabetes went from 3,151 to 3,250, and deaths from heart illnesses increased from 5,417 to 5,586.

Months ago, the Rossello administration stopped updating its official death toll at 64 and ordered the independent investigation amid suspicions the dead were substantially undercounted.

The first phase of the study cost \$305,000. In the second

phase, the researchers plan to focus on the causes of death.

The researchers found that the risk of death was 45 percent higher for those living in impoverished communities, and that men older than 65 saw a continuous elevated risk of death.

They also reported that physicians and others told them that Puerto Rico's government did not notify them about federal guidelines on how to document deaths related to a major disaster.

"Others expressed reluctance to relate deaths to hurricanes due to concern about the subjectivity of this determination and about liability," the report said.

For the study, the researchers reviewed mortality data, including deaths by age, sex and municipality of residence, from July 2010 to February 2018. They also took into account an 8 percent drop in Puerto Rico's population in the six months after the storm, when tens of thousands fled because of the damage.

However, they did not share details of the methodology, saying those will be released if the study is published in a scientific journal.

"We did not cherry-pick, I can promise you," Goldman said. "We used very rigorous methodology."

The study also found that government emergency plans in place when Maria hit were not designed for hurricanes greater than a Category 1. Maria was a Category 4 with 154 mph winds. Damage was estimated at more than \$100 billion.

The researchers made several recommendations, including more emergency planning and government training for doctors on filling out death certificates.

They also said the public health system needs to be strengthened, though Goldman said they don't know yet whether those weaknesses contributed to storm-related deaths.

## Worldwide gun deaths reach 250,000 yearly

By Lindsey Tanner  
The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Gun deaths worldwide total about 250,000 yearly and the United States is among just six countries that make up half of those fatalities, a study found.

The results from one of the most comprehensive analyses of firearm deaths reveal "a major public health problem for humanity," according to an editorial published with the study Tuesday in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Although recent headlines make it seem like gun killings are surging globally, the new figures tell a more nuanced story.

Researchers counted about 209,000 gun deaths in 1990 compared to 251,000 in 2016. The average rate, about 4 per 100,000 people, was mostly unchanged.

Two-thirds of the deaths in 2016 were homicides,



**Guns are displayed for sale July 20, 2014, by an arms seller east of Colorado Springs, Colo. The U.S. is among wealthy countries where suicides by gun outnumber gun killings, according to a study of 1990-2016 data, released on Tuesday.** [BRENNAN LINSLEY/ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTO]

although the U.S. is among wealthy countries where suicides by gun outnumber gun killings, the study found.

The numbers reflect more than "how many guns are around in a country," said lead author Dr. Christopher Murray, a professor of health metrics at the University of Washington. Cultural beliefs about guns and suicide vary widely around the world, he noted, adding, "That's where we get this incredible range of firearm deaths."

There were larger

increases in many of the 195 countries involved in the study, particularly in Central American and South America, where the rates reached nearly 40 per 100,000 in some places. Researchers said the drug trade and economic instability may have contributed.

Brazil, Colombia, Guatemala, Mexico and Venezuela are the countries that with the U.S. contributed to half the study deaths. The study raises concerns about the lack of research on causes of gun violence and ways to

prevent it, the editorial said.

Among the findings:  
• In 2016, 64 percent of global gun deaths were homicides, 27 percent were suicides and 9 percent were accidental.

• Gun deaths in the U.S. climbed from 35,800 in 1990 to 37,200 in 2016, but the rate dipped slightly to 11 per 100,000. Gun suicides increased from 19,700 to 23,800.

• The U.S. had the second-highest gun suicide rate in 2016, just over 6 deaths per 100,000 — a slight dip from the 1990 rate. Greenland had the highest, 22 per 100,000 but that amounted to just 11 suicides.

• El Salvador had the highest global gun death rate, nearly 40 per 100,000 people. Singapore had the lowest, with 0.1 death per 100,000.

• Gun deaths outnumbered deaths from combat and terrorism every year except 1994, when 800,000 people died in Rwandan genocide.

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Soderberg, Waltz win U.S. House 6 primaries

A Republican businessman with a military background will square off against a former top official in the administration of President Bill Clinton in a battle for coastal Florida congressional seat.

Nancy Soderberg defeated two other Democrats to win the party primary for District 6. Former Army Green Beret Michael Waltz defeated two other GOP candidates to win the Republican nomination.

The district covers three coastal counties, as well as part of Lake County. GOP U.S. Rep. Ron DeSantis gave up the seat in order to run for governor.

### Fried gets Dem nod for Agriculture commissioner

A lawyer from South Florida with ties to the state's medical marijuana industry has won the Florida Democratic primary for agriculture commissioner.

Nikki Fried defeated Jeff Porter and Roy David Walker on Tuesday.

The 40-year old Fried helped lobby for medical marijuana legislation two years ago. Last week, Wells Fargo shut down Fried's campaign account after she had "funds received from lobbyists from the medical marijuana industry."

Fried would be the state's first woman agriculture commissioner if elected.

The Republican race has four challengers — Matt Caldwell, Denise Grimsley, Mike McCalister and Baxter Troutman.

### Moody, Shaw to square off for Attorney General post in November

The race for Florida's next attorney general will be between two people from the Tampa area, a former Republican Hillsborough County judge and a Democratic state representative.

Ashley Moody won the Republican primary, defeating Pensacola state Rep. Frank White. Sean Shaw beat Ryan Torrens in the Democratic primary.

The 43-year-old Moody had the endorsement of outgoing attorney general Pam Bondi, who is unable to run due to term limits, and most of the state's law enforcement groups.

The race between Moody and White was rife with partisan infighting usually seen in higher-profile races. Both tried to position themselves as the most conservative and best suited to carry out the policies of President Trump.

The 40-year old Shaw has served in the Florida House for only two years. His father is Leander Shaw, who was the first black chief justice on the Florida Supreme Court.

The race between Shaw and Torrens was mired in litigation for the past month. A Leon County judge ruled on Friday that Torrens had flouted the state's campaign finance laws in order to qualify and threw him off the ballot. A state appeals court issued a stay on that ruling on Monday, allowing the race to proceed as normal.

Torrens, an attorney from Tampa who specializes in consumer protection cases, has filed a countersuit against Shaw for libel.

### Learned, Spano win U.S. House 15 primaries

Progressive Andrew Learned defeated moderate Kristen Carlson on Tuesday in the Democratic primary for U.S. House District 15.

And in the Republican primary for District 15, Ross Spano defeated Neil Combee in the crucial red-blue state swing area along the I-4

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# Cooney wins clerk race handily

## Longtime chief deputy clerk elected Clerk of Courts

By Frank Stanfield  
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TAVARES — Gary Cooney, who was appointed Lake County Clerk of Court in June, will get to keep his job after defeating Jason Paynter in Tuesday's primary election. With 95 of 102 precincts reporting, Cooney was leading with 60 percent of the vote to Paynter's 40 percent.



Cooney

Cooney, 58, was chief deputy under Neil Kelly for seven years. Kelly, 65, announced his retirement in May, prompting Gov. Rick Scott to name Cooney clerk and comptroller.

Paynter served as a police officer for 20 years, retiring as a lieutenant and administrator of the Tavares Police Department.

"Throughout my career I've focused on 'how' I do my job,

striving to help our community each chance I could. My focus is always on the customer's experience, ensuring everyone experiences first-class service from myself and my staff," he said on his campaign web site.

Cooney, is an attorney and lives in Mount Dora.

Kelly, 65, had been with the clerk's office since 1987 and was the Clerk of Courts for the past 11.

Cooney said he wants to carry on the tradition of Kelly and Jim Watkins. Watkins was elected in 1972.

"People are not happy when they're in a lawsuit," he said, "but nobody can ever say we're anything but neutral."

"We get along with our judges," he said. That is not the case in every circuit. "We certainly understand our role."

He said he also tells new hires that they will be treated like family.

The office has received awards for its budgeting and financial records for the past 25 years.

He said the office has also kept up with sweeping changes in technology.

# Scott cruises in primary



Florida Gov. Rick Scott defeated California businessman Roque "Rocky" De La Fuente in Tuesday's GOP primary for the U.S. Senate seat currently held by Democrat Bill Nelson. [AP PHOTO/WILFREDO LEE, FILE]

## Easy win sets up clash: Scott vs. Nelson

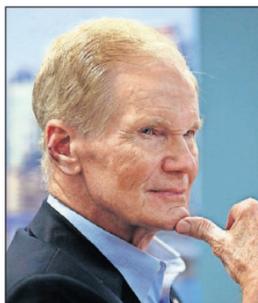
The Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — After an easy win in Tuesday's GOP primary, Florida Gov. Rick Scott is heading into an increasingly bitter — and expensive — showdown with incumbent U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson that could play a decisive role in which party controls the Senate.

Scott defeated California businessman Roque "Rocky" DeLaFuente, who earned attention this year by mounting U.S. Senate bids in multiple states at the same time but did not campaign against Scott at all.

Term limits are forcing Scott to leave the governor's mansion and he was strongly encouraged by many Republicans, including President Donald Trump, to mount a challenge to Nelson.

Nelson was first elected to the U.S. Senate in 2000 and is Florida's only statewide elected Democrat right now. Scott was first elected amid the tea



Sen. Bill Nelson, D-Fla., Nelson is waiting until this week to start his first major television ad buy. [AP PHOTO/LYNNE SLADKY, FILE]

party wave in 2010 but has flipped on some of his hardline positions, including his stance on immigration.

The race is one of stark contrasts: Nelson is a throwback to a bygone era when the state's Democrats talked with a Southern drawl. He can take five minutes to answer a single question. Scott, a relative newcomer to the state, can seem awkward, but likes to stick to scripted talking points heavy on statistics, usually about job growth.

Scott and Nelson have already been sniping at each other for months in

the eagerly anticipated contest. So far they have thrown barbs over guns, health care and Florida's recent environmental problems.

Even before voting started in the primary, Scott had been pounding Nelson with a barrage of television ads, many of them depicting the 75-year-old Nelson as a career politician who is out of touch. Before Nelson was elected the U.S. Senate, he served as the state's insurance commissioner and spent 12 years in the U.S. House.

"Isn't 40 years enough?" Scott said last week on Fox News. "What new idea is he going to come up with?"

Most of the ads have been paid by Scott himself. Federal campaign filings show that he has already donated \$25.5 million of his own money to his campaign.

Scott, who does not accept a salary and uses a family jet to travel, first built his fortune as the head of the hospital giant Columbia/HCA. He was forced out of the job amid

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# Sabatini, Brown to face off in State House contest

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Anthony Sabatini, a recent law school graduate and former member of the Eustis



Sabatini

City Council, continued his rapid ascent up the political ladder Tuesday by winning the Republican nomination for the State House District 32 seat.



Brown

Sabatini, 29, will face off in the November general election against

Democrat Cynthia Brown, 63, a Groveland resident and full-time rancher and the former president of the American Shipbuilding Association, who won her contest with a healthy 64.75 percent of the vote.

The District 32 seat was previously held by Republican Larry Metz, who after eight years could not seek reelection because he'd reached his term limit.

Sabatini won with 46.69 percent of the vote, defeating Shannon Elswick, who finished with 29.17 percent and Monica Wofford, with 24.14 percent.

"I feel like I have a tremendous duty to do everything I can to help every single person in Lake County and that's a huge honor," said Sabatini. "I'm very humbled by the fact that Lake County is sending me to Tallahassee, and I will work hard to make life for Lake County citizens better than it was yesterday."

Sabatini said he is focused on fighting special interests in Tallahassee by eliminating the influence of lobbyists, protecting Florida's water resources, reducing the size

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# Barbee wins race for circuit judge

By Frank Stanfield  
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TAVARES — Voters Tuesday selected Don Barbee Jr. as circuit judge in the Fifth Judicial Circuit, which includes Lake County.

Barbee was beating Edward Spaight handily in Lake County. With 95 of 102 precincts reporting, Barbee was leading with just over 60 percent of the vote, 31,642 to 20,967. He even held the edge in Spaight's home county of Citrus with



Barbee

County.

Marion County had only 21 of 125 precincts reporting before 8 p.m., but Barbee was leading there, too.

Spaight and Barbee were running for the seat being vacated by retiring Judge Patricia Thomas of Citrus County.

52 percent of the vote, 17,585 to 16,305. He also had 54 percent of the vote in Sumter

Spaight and his family moved to Citrus County in 2009 to work for the Public Defender's office. He is chief assistant public defender in Citrus.

He has worked as a researcher for the New York Labor Department, practiced corporate, civil and family law in Maine and was a college business professor.

Barbee is the Hernando County clerk of court. He practiced law in Tampa for governments, is a former police officer and FBI agent, assistant state attorney and

adjunct college professor. He was elected clerk in 2012.

Barbee said his "breadth of experience" makes him the best candidate.

"The clerk's office is the face of the court system. If you have a problem you don't call a judge, you call my people," Barbee said.

The new judge will be assigned to Hernando County. Circuit judges sometimes move to other locations within the district. Other counties in the circuit are Sumter, Marion and Citrus.

**INMEMORY**

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**Margaret L. "Peggy" Finger**



Margaret L. "Peggy" Finger, 82, Ocala, Florida formerly of Leesburg, Florida went to be with the Lord on August 25, 2018 at Brandley Hospice House in Summerfield, Florida under the loving care of her family and staff of Hospice. Peggy was born on December 2, 1935 in Yonkers, New York to William H. Losee and Margaret (Seymour) Losee. Peggy was a graduate of Fairleigh-Dickinson University with a degree in nursing. After marrying Bill Finger in 1956, she and Bill moved to Lakeland and then moved to Ocala 1961. In 1975 they moved to Leesburg and in 1981 moved to Dallas, Texas. In 1983 they relocated back to Ocala. Peggy was a Retired Registered Nurse who worked and volunteered at Munroe Regional Medical Center and in other areas of healthcare. Peggy also volunteered for the

Gideons. She is survived by her three daughters: Cindy Sparrow of Reddick, FL, Celia Sattizahn of Leesburg, FL and Peggy F. Close (Roland) of Leesburg, FL; six grandchildren: Kristi Owens (Tommy), Carrie Williamson, Abby Jones (Ross), John Mark Close, Jacob Close (Tara) and Joseph Close (Katie); nine great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, a sister and her husband, Bill H. Finger. Visitation will be held on Friday, August 31, 2018 from 5:00PM to 7:00PM at Page-Theus Funeral Home, Leesburg, Florida with a Graveside Service on Saturday, September 1, 2018 at 10:00AM at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Leesburg, Florida. In lieu of flowers the family has requested donations be made to Brandley Hospice House in Peggy's memory. A memorial service will be held in Ocala at a later date. Online condolences may be shared by visiting [www.pagetheus.com](http://www.pagetheus.com).

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**Lucille A. Smith**



Lucille A. Smith, 74, Leesburg, Florida passed away on August 24, 2018 at Avante at Leesburg with her close friend Yvonne by her side. Lucille was born on June 21, 1944 in St. Louis, Missouri to her parents Aloys and Mary Sondermann. She had worked for the Affton School District as a Bus Driver for several years. She was of the Christian faith and had moved to Leesburg in 2011 from Gadsden, Alabama. She was a professional dog breeder of Boston Terriers and had owned her own business called Love on a Leash, both in Alabama and

Florida. She is survived by her daughter: Debra Sondermann Pons of Palatka, FL; two grandchildren: Dalena Sondermann of Warner Robbins, GA and Dana Pons-Fazio and her husband Patrick Fazio of Palatka, FL; six great-grandchildren: Kelsey, Adrianna, Preston, Tristan, Aden and Weston and her close dear friends: Yvonne and Robbie Mullins of Okahumpka, FL. She was preceded in death by her parents and her late husband, Kevin Smith. A Celebration of Life Service will be held at a later date. Online condolences may be shared by visiting [www.pagetheus.com](http://www.pagetheus.com). Arrangements are entrusted to Page-Theus Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Leesburg.

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**Milford E. "Ed" Miner, Jr.**

Milford E. "Ed" Miner, Jr., 77, of Tavares, FL, passed away on August 18, 2018 at his summer home in Maggie Valley, North Carolina. Born in Barberton, Ohio, he lived in the Eustis/Tavares Florida area for 44 years. He was preceded in death by his parents, Milford and Grace Miner and a brother, Edward A. Miner. Ed owned and operated coin laundries in Eustis, Mt. Dora and Leesburg. He later owned a sandwich shop and Italian restaurant in Eustis. Ed is survived

by his wife of 51 years, Patricia Miner; sisters-in-law, Pamela Baker of Tavares and Sylvia Herchek of Barberton, Ohio; as well as several nieces and nephews. Memorials to honor Ed can be made in his name to the Humane Society of Lake County, 16435 McKinley Road, Umatilla, FL 32784. The care of Ed has been entrusted to Wells Funeral Homes and an online memorial register is available at "Obituaries" at [www.wellsfuneralhome.com](http://www.wellsfuneralhome.com)

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corridor. Spano, 52, of Dover, currently represents District 59 in the Florida House, received 26,167 votes, followed by Neil Combee, 58, of Polk City, a former state representative, who received 20,347 votes. Learned, 32, of Valrico, mobilized voters with a platform of Medicare for all, a ban on assault rifles, and a push to reform the campaign finance system to prevent last-minute donations from unknown sources. He was cruising to victory until Carlson filed to run in May. The former Department of Citrus lawyer raised \$250,000, including \$75,000 from herself. A Tampa lawyer, Carlson, 64, of Lakeland, was backed by Emily's List, a national fundraising group that supports pro-choice women. The former Department of Citrus lawyer wanted to reach across the aisle to work with Republicans to reform health care.

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of government and enacting statewide term limits for all offices. Brown's priorities include winning pay raises for teachers and supporting vocational schools to ensure skilled workers are available to local businesses. She also wants to secure funds to maintain a clean environment, support the agriculture industry and protect water resources. "I'm very grateful to all my colleagues and Lake County voters who supported me. I'm humbled," said Brown. "I want everyone in Lake County to know I will work hard for them and they will be so proud of me."

**Task force nabs 40 in major sex sting**

By Frank Stanfield  
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TAVARES — Sheriff's detectives nabbed 40 people on sex or drug charges during a major prostitution sting this week.

"It was pretty significant," said Lt. John Herrell of the 10-day operation that stretched from Aug. 16 to Aug. 26. Six men who thought they were going to meet a 14-year-old girl for sex at a vacant house in south Lake County instead found themselves rushed by deputies with handcuffs.

One man brought alcohol, others carried condoms and candy. The men have no prior arrests for similar offenses. Sometimes stings catch police officers, teachers or others who work with children. That was not the case this time. The remainder of those who were arrested were caught up in a prostitution sting, including a 17-year-old girl who may be a victim of human trafficking, Herrell said. She has not been identified because she is a juvenile. Investigators are working with other agencies to see if she has been exploited. The dragnet also scooped up three men who face charges of transporting a prostitute. One woman is from Groveland, but many live throughout Central Florida.

During the prostitution part of the operation, detectives pretended to be customers after seeing the suspects' lurid advertisements on the Internet.

Both real customers and undercover law enforcement officers pore over "hook-up" sites like skipthegames.com. The prostitutes don't know the difference until they meet up in a motel room. Leesburg police have also been beating prostitutes at their own cyber game.

Operation Catfish was "very labor intensive," Herrell said. It involved 40 to 50 sheriff's people per day, from detectives engaged in the Internet "chatter," surveillance teams, computer technicians to the transport teams.

The department has fewer than 200 sworn law enforcement officers. Some sheriff's cyber investigators are assigned full time to combat child pornography and adults trying to have sex with juveniles. The Sheriff's Office said the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and other member agencies of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force played key roles in the operation. The FBI estimates that one in seven juvenile internet users receive unwanted sex solicitations. About 9 percent are exposed to "disturbing sexual material." One in 25 kids also seek solicitations to meet in person.

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television ads that would soon find their way to television screens. "I, of course, am saving my nickels and dimes until I see the whites of their eyes," Nelson said. Nelson will also likely take aim at President Trump's connection to Scott. Scott is a longtime friend of Trump who enthusiastically backed him during the presidential election. Scott set up a Super PAC to help Trump during the campaign and has visited the president at the White House and Trump's Mar-A-Lago resort in Palm Beach. But since getting into the race, Scott has kept his distance from the president. He has split with Trump on certain issues, including immigration, but without criticizing the president. At some political events, he has barely mentioned Trump by name.

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a federal fraud investigation. Although Scott was never charged with any wrongdoing, the company paid a then-record \$1.7 billion fine for Medicare

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# Trump takes on Google, alleges bias

**President accuses tech firms of 'hiding information'**

**By Darlene Superville and Barbara Ortutay**  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump lashed out at U.S. tech companies Tuesday, accusing Google and others of suppressing conservative voices and “hiding information” and good news. He cited no evidence for the claim, which echoes both his own attacks on the press and a conservative talking point.

Google, operator of the world’s most popular search engine, responded by saying: “We never rank search results to manipulate political sentiment.”

Trump tweeted before dawn: “This is a very serious situation - will be addressed!” Hours later, Larry Kudlow, the president’s top economic adviser, said the White House is “taking a look” at whether Google searches should be subject to some government regulation.

Trump has made similar complaints before, but he carried it a step further Tuesday.

“Google search results for ‘Trump News’ shows only the viewing/reporting of Fake New Media. In other words, they have it RIGGED, for me & others, so that almost all stories & news is BAD. Fake CNN is prominent. Republican/Conservative & Fair Media is shut out. Illegal?”

He added, without offering evidence, that “96% of results on ‘Trump News’ are from National Left - Wing Media, very dangerous.”

A query Tuesday morning several hours after the president tweeted showed stories from CNN, ABC News, Fox News and the MarketWatch business site, among others. A similar search later in the day for “Trump” had Fox News, the president’s favored cable network, among the top results.

Trump tweeted that Google



**President Donald Trump speaks during a dinner for evangelical leaders in the State Dining Room of the White House on Monday in Washington.**

[ALEX BRANDON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

and others “are controlling what we can & cannot see.”

In response, Google said its goal is to make sure users of its search engine get the most relevant answers to their queries quickly.

“Search is not used to set a political agenda and we don’t bias our results toward any political ideology,” the Mountain View, California-based company said. “Every year, we issue hundreds of improvements to our algorithms to ensure they surface high-quality content in response to users’ queries.”

“We continually work to improve Google Search and we never rank search results to manipulate political sentiment.”

Google searches aim to surface the most relevant pages in response to a user’s query, even before he or she finishes typing.

The answers that appear first are the ones Google’s formulas, with some help from human content reviewers, deem to be the most authoritative, informative

and relevant. Many factors help decide the initial results, including how much time people spend on a page, how many other pages link to it, how well it’s designed and more.

A search for “why is the sky blue?” for example, yields initial results from NASA, universities and “Scientific American.”

Similarly, entering “Trump” and clicking the “news” tab will produce results from mainstream media outlets that large swaths of the population tend to trust. That is even though Trump has derided some of these outlets as “fake news.”

Trump and some supporters have long accused Silicon Valley companies of being biased against them.

But, while some company executives may lean liberal, they have long asserted that their products are without political bias, and indeed no such bias has been proven.

Trump didn’t say what he based his tweets on. But in a

blog post over the weekend, conservative activist Paula Boylard had said she found “blatant prioritization of left-leaning and anti-Trump media outlets” in search results.

Boylard based her judgments on which media outlets were left- or right-leaning on a list by Sharyl Attkisson, host of Sinclair Television’s “Full Measure” and author of “The Smear: How Shady Political Operatives and Fake News Control What You See, Think, and How You Vote.” Sinclair is a significant outlet for conservative views.

Trump began complaining about the issue earlier this month as social media companies moved to ban right-wing “Infowars” conspiracy theorist Alex Jones from their platforms.

The president also argues regularly — and falsely — that the news media avoid writing positive stories about him and his administration.

Apple, YouTube and Spotify have permanently removed some of Jones’

content, Facebook has suspended him for 30 days and removed some of his pages, and Twitter gave Jones a weeklong timeout and was mulling deeper changes to try to limit the spread of fake news, misinformation and hate speech.

Trump has not named Jones, who is being sued for saying the 2012 shooting massacre at Sandy Hook Elementary School was staged, in any tweets on the issue.

Jones has since said he believes the shooting did occur and has argued that the lawsuit should be dismissed because he was acting as a journalist.

Trump has praised Jones’ “amazing” reputation.

The issue is also of concern on Capitol Hill, where the House Energy and Commerce Committee, chaired by Rep. Greg Walden, R-Ore., recently announced that Twitter CEO Jack Dorsey will testify before the panel on Sept. 5 about the platform’s algorithms and content monitoring.

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calculated how much it will take to protect the schools, School Board members and district administrators say it will be much more than the district can afford currently.

Until this year, there were resource officers — mostly sheriff’s deputies — in every high school and middle school in Lake County, but none in the elementary schools. This year, the district put officers in the elementary schools as well and

is training a number of school administrators to be volunteer “guardians” authorized to have access to firearms.

In addition, the board wants to add security cameras, stronger doors, ballistic film to windows and other features as part of the “school hardening” effort. They also want to add mental health counselors to help young people in crisis in hopes of heading off violent situations.

District financial officers have said that the school hardening efforts alone could “easily exceed” \$20 million and potentially be as high as \$50 million.

## SCHOOL

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1982.

In 2014 he won his first full term with nearly 72 percent of the vote.

He has used his time on the School Board finding ways to reduce debt, and he plans to continue that work in the new term, he said.

He has also been working to bring more state education funding to Lake County, which for years has lagged behind other counties in

Florida.

“I’m really grateful for the public giving me the opportunity,” Mathias said. “I’m just so happy.”

Luke, a Tavares High School graduate, was first elected to the School Board in 2014 when she ran against Tarby and Nancy Muenzmay.

Prior to her election, Luke had been a Lake County teacher since 2000.

She moved between teaching and administrative roles and saw the Lake County School District from many angles.

Since joining the board in 2014, Luke has been committed to improving student performance.

Luke said a keen focus of the board is “absolutely looking to increase that graduation rate into 90 percent.”

Tarby, who ran previously in 2014 but didn’t make the cut for the runoff, ran this year on a platform of collaborative problem-solving and board transparency.

Sykes was a new challenger for the seat, calling for greater financial transparency and more thoughtful spending.

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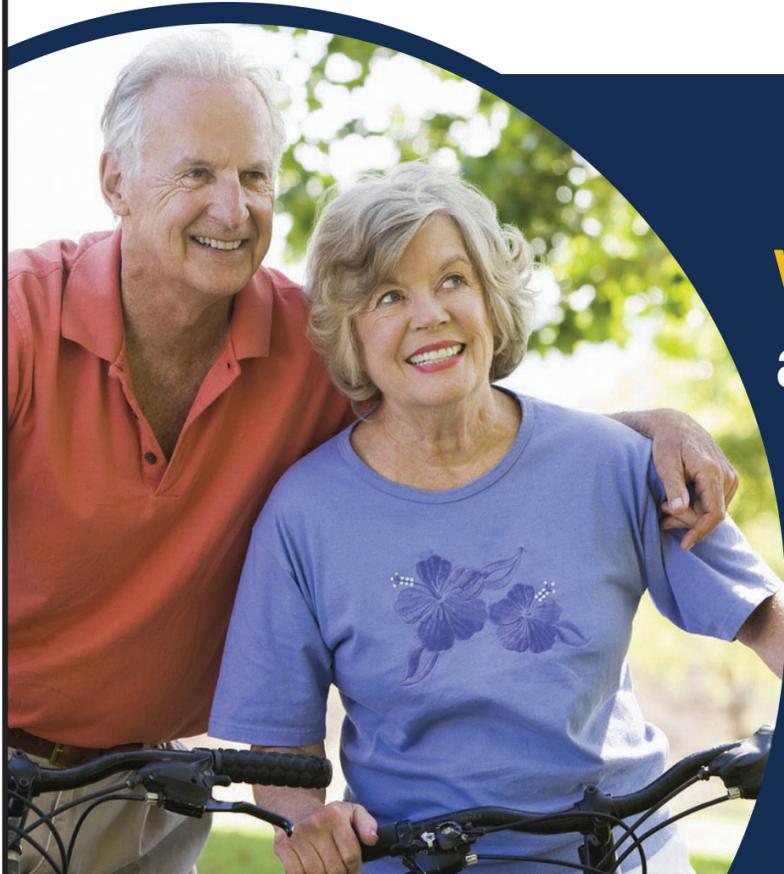
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**PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND REVISIONS FOR THE 2018 GENERAL ELECTION**

**I, Ken Detzner, Secretary of State for Florida, do hereby give notice that the following proposed amendments and revisions to the Florida Constitution will be presented in each county on the 2018 General Election ballot.**

**The language for these amendments may also be found at FloridaPublicNotices.com, at DOS, Elections.MyFlorida.com/initiatives, and at this newspaper's website.**

**NO. 1  
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT  
ARTICLE VII, SECTION 6  
ARTICLE XII, SECTION 37**

**BALLOT TITLE:**  
Increased Homestead Property Tax Exemption

**BALLOT SUMMARY:**  
Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to increase the homestead exemption by exempting the assessed valuation of homestead property greater than \$100,000 and up to \$125,000 for all levies other than school district levies. The amendment shall take effect January 1, 2019.

**FULL TEXT:**  
ARTICLE VII  
FINANCE AND TAXATION

SECTION 6. Homestead exemptions.—  
(a) Every person who has the legal or equitable title to real estate and maintains thereon the permanent residence of the owner, or another legally or naturally dependent upon the owner, shall be exempt from taxation thereon, except assessments for special benefits, up to the assessed valuation of twenty-five thousand dollars and, for all levies other than school district levies, on the assessed valuation greater than fifty thousand dollars and up to seventy-five thousand dollars, and on the assessed valuation greater than one hundred thousand dollars and up to one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars, upon establishment of right thereto in the manner prescribed by law. The real estate may be held by legal or equitable title, by the entireties, jointly, in common, as a condominium, or indirectly by stock ownership or membership representing the owner's or member's proprietary interest in a corporation owning a fee or a leasehold initially in excess of ninety-eight years. The exemption shall not apply with respect to any assessment roll until such roll is first determined to be in compliance with the provisions of section 4 by a state agency designated by general law. This exemption is repealed on the effective date of any amendment to this Article which provides for the assessment of homestead property at less than just value.

(b) Not more than one exemption shall be allowed any individual or family unit or with respect to any residential unit. No exemption shall exceed the value of the real estate assessable to the owner or, in case of ownership through stock or membership in a corporation, the value of the proportion which the interest in the corporation bears to the assessed value of the property.

(c) By general law and subject to conditions specified therein, the Legislature may provide to renters, who are permanent residents, ad valorem tax relief on all ad valorem tax levies. Such ad valorem tax relief shall be in the form and amount established by general law.

(d) The legislature may, by general law, allow counties or municipalities, for the purpose of their respective tax levies and subject to the provisions of general law, to grant either or both of the following additional homestead tax exemptions:

(1) An exemption not exceeding fifty thousand dollars to a person who has the legal or equitable title to real estate and maintains thereon the permanent residence of the owner, who has attained age sixty-five, and whose household income, as defined by general law, does not exceed twenty thousand dollars; or

(2) An exemption equal to the assessed value of the property to a person who has the legal or equitable title to real estate with a just value less than two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, as determined in the first tax year that the owner applies and is eligible for the exemption, and who has maintained thereon the permanent residence of the owner for not less than twenty-five years, who has attained age sixty-five, and whose household income does not exceed the income limitation prescribed in paragraph (1).

The general law must allow counties and municipalities to grant these additional exemptions, within the limits prescribed in this subsection, by ordinance adopted in the manner prescribed by general law, and must provide for the periodic adjustment of the income limitation prescribed in this subsection for changes in the cost of living.

(e) Each veteran who is age 65 or older who is partially or totally permanently disabled shall receive a discount from the amount of the ad valorem tax otherwise owed on homestead property the veteran owns and resides in if the disability was combat related and the veteran was honorably discharged upon separation from military service. The discount shall be in a percentage equal to the percentage of the veteran's permanent, service-connected disability as determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. To qualify for the discount granted by this subsection, an applicant must submit to the county property appraiser, by March 1, an official letter from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs stating the percentage of the veteran's service-connected disability and such evidence that reasonably identifies the disability as combat related and a copy of the veteran's honorable discharge. If the property appraiser denies the request for a discount, the appraiser must notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the denial, and the veteran may reapply. The Legislature may, by general law, waive the annual application requirement in subsequent years. This subsection is self-executing and does not require implementing legislation.

(f) By general law and subject to conditions and limitations specified therein, the Legislature may provide ad valorem tax relief equal to the total amount or a portion of the ad valorem tax otherwise owed on homestead property to:

(1) The surviving spouse of a veteran who died from service-connected causes while on active duty as a member of the United States Armed Forces.

(2) The surviving spouse of a first responder who died in the line of duty.

(3) A first responder who is totally and permanently disabled as a result of an injury or injuries sustained in the line of duty. Causal connection between a disability and service in the line of duty shall not be presumed but must be determined as provided by general law. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "disability" does not include a chronic condition or chronic disease, unless the injury sustained in the line of duty was the sole cause of the chronic condition or chronic disease. As used in this subsection and as further defined by general law, the term "first responder" means a law enforcement officer, a correctional officer, a firefighter, an emergency medical technician, or a paramedic, and the term "in the line of duty" means arising out of and in the actual performance of duty required by employment as a first responder.

**ARTICLE XII  
SCHEDULE**

SECTION 37. Increased homestead exemption.—This section and the amendment to Section 6 of Article VII increasing the homestead exemption by exempting the assessed valuation of homestead property greater than \$100,000 and up to \$125,000 for all levies other than school district levies shall take effect January 1, 2019.

**NO. 2  
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT  
ARTICLE XII, SECTION 27**

**BALLOT TITLE:**  
Limitations on Property Tax Assessments

**BALLOT SUMMARY:**  
Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to permanently reinstate provisions currently in effect, which limit property tax assessment increases on specified nonhomestead real property, except for school district taxes, to 10 percent each year. If approved, the amendment removes the scheduled repeal of such provisions in 2019 and shall take effect January 1, 2019.

**FULL TEXT:**  
ARTICLE XII  
SCHEDULE

SECTION 27. Property tax exemptions and limitations on property tax assessments.—  
(a) The amendments to Sections 3, 4, and 6 of Article VII, providing a \$25,000 exemption for tangible personal property, providing an additional \$25,000 homestead exemption, authorizing transfer of the accrued benefit from the limitations on the assessment of homestead property, and this section, if submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at a special election authorized by law to be held on January 29, 2008, shall take effect upon approval by the electors and shall operate retroactively to January 1, 2008, or, if submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the next general election, shall take effect January 1 of the year following such general election. The amendments to Section 4 of Article VII creating subsections (a)(f) and (b)(g) of that section, creating a limitation on annual assessment increases for specified real property, shall take effect upon approval of the electors and shall first limit assessments beginning January 1, 2009, if approved at a special election held on January 29, 2008, or shall first limit assessments beginning January 1, 2010, if approved at the general election held in November of 2008. Subsections (f) and (g) of Section 4 of Article VII are repealed effective January 1, 2019; however, the Legislature shall by joint resolution propose an amendment abrogating the repeal of subsections (f) and (g), which shall be submitted to the electors of this state for approval or rejection at the general election of 2019 and, if approved, shall take effect January 1, 2019.

**NO. 3  
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT  
ARTICLE X, SECTION 29**

**BALLOT TITLE:**  
Voter Control of Gambling in Florida

**BALLOT SUMMARY:**  
This amendment ensures that Florida voters shall have the exclusive right to decide whether to authorize casino gambling by requiring that in order for casino gambling to be authorized under Florida law, it must be approved by Florida voters pursuant to Article XI, Section 3 of the Florida Constitution. Affects articles X and XI. Defines casino gambling and clarifies that this amendment does not conflict with federal law regarding state/tribal compacts.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT:**  
The amendment's impact on state and local government revenues and costs, if any, cannot be determined at this time because of its unknown effect on gambling operations that have not been approved by voters through a constitutional amendment proposed by a citizens' initiative petition process.

**FULL TEXT:**  
ARTICLE X, FLORIDA CONSTITUTION, is amended to include the following new section:  
Voter Control of Gambling in Florida.

(a) This amendment ensures that Florida voters shall have the exclusive right to decide whether to authorize casino gambling in the State of Florida. This amendment requires a vote by citizens' initiative pursuant to Article XI, section 3, in order for casino gambling to be authorized under Florida law. This section amends this Article, and also affects Article XI, by making citizens' initiatives the exclusive method of authorizing casino gambling.

(b) As used in this section, "casino gambling" means any of the types of games typically found in casinos and that are within the definition of Class III gaming in the Federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, 25 U.S.C. § 2701 et seq. ("IGRA"), and in 25 C.F.R. §502.4, upon adoption of this amendment, and any that are added to such definition of Class III gaming in the future. This includes, but is not limited to, any house banking game, including but not limited to card games such as baccarat, chemin de fer, blackjack (21), and pai gow (if played as house banking games); any player-banked game that simulates a house banking game, such as California black jack; casino games such as roulette, craps, and keno; any slot machines as defined in 15 U.S.C. 1171(a)(1); and any other game not authorized by Article X, section 15, whether or not defined as a slot machine, in which outcomes are determined by random number generator or are similarly assigned randomly, such as instant or historical raffle. As used herein, "casino gambling" includes any electronic gambling devices, simulated gambling devices, video lottery devices, internet sweepstakes devices, and any other form of electronic or electromechanical facsimiles of any game of chance, slot machine, or casino-style game, regardless of how such devices are defined under IGRA. As used herein, "casino gambling" does not include pari-mutuel wagering on horse racing, dog racing, or jai alai exhibitions. For purposes of this section, "gambling" and "gaming" are synonymous.

(c) Nothing herein shall be deemed to limit the right of the Legislature to exercise its authority through general law to restrict, regulate, or tax any gaming or gambling activities. In addition, nothing herein shall be construed to limit the ability of the state or Native American tribes to negotiate gaming compacts pursuant to the Federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act for the conduct of casino gambling on tribal lands, or to affect any existing gambling on tribal lands pursuant to compacts executed by the state and Native American tribes pursuant to IGRA.

(d) This section is effective upon approval by the voters, is self-executing, and no Legislative implementation is required.

(e) If any part of this section is held invalid for any reason, the remaining portion or portions shall be severed from the invalid portion and given the fullest possible force and effect.

**NO. 4  
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT  
ARTICLE VI, SECTION 4**

**BALLOT TITLE:**  
Voting Restoration Amendment

**BALLOT SUMMARY:**  
This amendment restores the voting rights of Floridians with felony convictions after they complete all terms of their sentence including parole or probation. The amendment would not apply to those convicted of murder or sexual offenses, who would continue to be permanently barred from voting unless the Governor and Cabinet vote to restore their voting rights on a case by case basis.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT:**  
The precise effect of this amendment on state and local government costs cannot be determined, but the operation of current voter registration laws, combined with an increased number of felons

registering to vote, will produce higher overall costs relative to the processes in place today. The impact, if any, on state and local government revenues cannot be determined. The fiscal impact of any future legislation that implements a different process cannot be reasonably determined.

**FULL TEXT:**  
Article VI, Section 4. Disqualifications.—

(a) No person convicted of a felony, or adjudicated in this or any other state to be mentally incompetent, shall be qualified to vote or hold office until restoration of civil rights or removal of disability. Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, any disqualification from voting arising from a felony conviction shall terminate and voting rights shall be restored upon completion of all terms of sentence including parole or probation.

(b) No person convicted of murder or a felony sexual offense shall be qualified to vote until restoration of civil rights.

(c) No person may appear on the ballot for re-election to any of the following offices:

- (1) Florida representative,
- (2) Florida senator,
- (3) Florida Lieutenant governor,
- (4) any office of the Florida cabinet,
- (5) U.S. Representative from Florida, or
- (6) U.S. Senator from Florida.

if, by the end of the current term of office, the person will have served (or, but for resignation, would have served) in that office for eight consecutive years.

**NO. 5  
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT  
ARTICLE VII, SECTION 19**

**BALLOT TITLE:**  
Supermajority Vote Required to Impose, Authorize, or Raise State Taxes or Fees

**BALLOT SUMMARY:**  
Prohibits the legislature from imposing, authorizing, or raising a state tax or fee except through legislation approved by a two-thirds vote of each house of the legislature in a bill containing no other subject. This proposal does not authorize a state tax or fee otherwise prohibited by the Constitution and does not apply to fees or taxes imposed or authorized to be imposed by a county, municipality, school board, or special district.

**FULL TEXT:**  
ARTICLE VII  
FINANCE AND TAXATION

SECTION 19. Supermajority vote required to impose, authorize, or raise state taxes or fees.—

(a) SUPERMAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED TO IMPOSE OR AUTHORIZE NEW STATE TAX OR FEE. No new state tax or fee may be imposed or authorized by the legislature except through legislation approved by two-thirds of the membership of each house of the legislature and presented to the Governor for approval pursuant to Article III, Section 8.

(b) SUPERMAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED TO RAISE STATE TAXES OR FEES. No state tax or fee may be raised by the legislature except through legislation approved by two-thirds of the membership of each house of the legislature and presented to the Governor for approval pursuant to Article III, Section 8.

(c) APPLICABILITY. This section does not authorize the imposition of any state tax or fee otherwise prohibited by this Constitution, and does not apply to any tax or fee imposed by, or authorized to be imposed by, a county, municipality, school board, or special district.

(d) DEFINITIONS. As used in this section, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

(1) "Fee" means any charge or payment required by law, including any fee for service, fee or cost for licenses, and charge for service.

(2) "Raise" means:

a. To increase or authorize an increase in the rate of a state tax or fee imposed on a percentage or per mill basis;

b. To increase or authorize an increase in the amount of a state tax or fee imposed on a flat or fixed amount basis; or

c. To decrease or eliminate a state tax or fee exemption or credit.

(e) SINGLE-SUBJECT. A state tax or fee imposed, authorized, or raised under this section must be contained in a separate bill that contains no other subject.

**NO. 6  
CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION  
ARTICLE I, SECTION 16  
ARTICLE V, SECTIONS 8 AND 21  
ARTICLE XII, NEW SECTION**

**BALLOT TITLE:**  
Rights of Crime Victims; Judges

**BALLOT SUMMARY:**  
Creates constitutional rights for victims of crime; requires courts to facilitate victims' rights; authorizes justices to enforce their rights throughout criminal and juvenile justice processes. Requires judges and hearing officers to independently interpret statutes and rules rather than deferring to government agency's interpretation. Raises mandatory retirement age of state justices and judges from seventy to seventy-five years; deletes authorization to complete judicial term if one-half of term has been served by retirement age.

**FULL TEXT:**  
ARTICLE I  
DECLARATION OF RIGHTS

SECTION 16. Rights of accused and of victims.—

(a) In all criminal prosecutions the accused shall, upon demand, be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation, and shall be furnished a copy of the charges, and shall have the right to have compulsory process for witnesses, to confront at trial adverse witnesses, to be heard in person, by counsel or both, and to have a speedy and public trial by impartial jury in the county where the crime was committed. If the county is not known, the indictment or information may charge venue in two or more counties conjunctively and proof that the crime was committed in that area shall be sufficient; but before pleading the accused may elect in which of those counties the trial will take place. Venue for prosecution of crimes committed beyond the boundaries of the state shall be fixed by law.

(b) To preserve and protect the right of crime victims to achieve justice, ensure a meaningful role throughout the criminal and juvenile justice systems for crime victims, and ensure that crime victims' rights and interests are respected and protected by law in a manner no less vigorous than protections afforded to criminal defendants and juvenile delinquents, every victim is entitled to the following rights, beginning at the time of his or her victimization:

(1) The right to due process and to be treated with fairness and respect for the victim's dignity.

(2) The right to be free from intimidation, harassment, and abuse.

(3) The right, within the judicial process, to be reasonably protected from the accused and any person acting on behalf of the accused. However, nothing contained herein is intended to create a special relationship between the crime victim and any law enforcement agency or office absent a special relationship or duty as defined by Florida law.

(4) The right to have the safety and welfare of the victim and the victim's family considered when setting bail, including setting pretrial release conditions that protect the safety and welfare of the victim and the victim's family.

(5) The right to prevent the disclosure of information or records that could be used to locate or harass the victim or the victim's family, or which could disclose confidential or privileged information of the victim.

(6) A victim shall have the following specific rights upon request:

a. The right to reasonable, accurate, and timely notice of, and to be present at, all public proceedings involving the criminal conduct, including, but not limited to, trial, plea, sentencing, or adjudication, even if the victim will be a witness at the proceeding, notwithstanding any rule to the contrary. A victim shall also be provided reasonable, accurate, and timely notice of any release or escape of the defendant or delinquent, and any proceeding during which a right of the victim is implicated.

b. The right to be heard in any public proceeding involving pretrial or other release from any form of legal constraint, plea, sentencing, adjudication, or parole, and any proceeding during which a right of the victim is implicated.

c. The right to confer with the prosecuting attorney concerning any plea agreements, participation in pretrial diversion programs, release, restitution, sentencing, or any other disposition of the case.

d. The right to provide information regarding the impact of the offender's conduct on the victim and the victim's family to the individual responsible for conducting any presentence investigation or compiling any presentence investigation report and to have any such information considered in any sentencing recommendations submitted to the court.

e. The right to receive a copy of any presentence report, and any other report or record relevant to the exercise of a victim's right, except for such portions made confidential or exempt by law.

f. The right to be informed of the conviction, sentence, adjudication, place and time of incarceration, or other disposition of the convicted offender, any scheduled release date of the offender, and the release of, or the escape of the offender from custody.

g. The right to be informed of all postconviction processes and procedures, to participate in such processes and procedures, to provide information to the release authority to be considered before any release decision is made, and to be notified of any release decision regarding the offender. The parole or early release authority shall extend the right to be heard to any person harmed by the offender.

h. The right to be informed of clemency and expungement procedures, to provide information to the governor, the court, any clemency board, and other authority in these procedures, and to have that information considered before a clemency or expungement decision is made; and to be notified of such decision in advance of any release of the offender.

(7) The rights of the victim, as provided in subparagraph (6)a., subparagraph (6)b., or subparagraph (6)c., that apply to any first appearance proceeding are satisfied by a reasonable attempt by the appropriate agency to notify the victim and convey the victim's views to the court.

(8) The right to the prompt return of the victim's property when no longer needed as evidence in the case.

(9) The right to full and timely restitution in every case and from each convicted offender for all losses suffered, both directly and indirectly, by the victim as a result of the criminal conduct.

(10) The right to proceedings free from unreasonable delay, and to a prompt and final conclusion of the case and any related postjudgment proceedings.

a. The state attorney may file a good faith demand for a speedy trial and the trial court shall hold a calendar call, with notice, within fifteen days of the filing demand, to schedule a trial to commence on a date at least five days but no more than sixty days after the date of the calendar call unless the trial judge enters an order with specific findings of fact justifying a trial date more than sixty days after the calendar call.

b. All state-level appeals and collateral attacks on any judgment must be complete within two years from the date of appeal in non-capital cases and within five years from the date of appeal in capital cases, unless a court enters an order with specific findings as to why the court was unable to comply with this subparagraph and the circumstances causing the delay. Each year, the chief judge of any district court of appeal or the chief justice of the supreme court shall report on a case-by-case basis to the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate all cases where the court entered an order regarding inability to comply with this subparagraph. The legislature may enact legislation to implement this subparagraph.

(11) The right to be informed of these rights, and to be informed that victims can seek the advice of an attorney with respect to their rights. This information shall be made available to the general public and provided to all crime victims in the form of a card or by other means intended to effectively advise the victim of their rights under this section.

(c) The victim, the retained attorney of the victim, a lawful representative of the victim, or the office of the state attorney upon request of the victim, may assert and seek enforcement of the rights enumerated in this section and any other right afforded to a victim by law in any trial or appellate court, or before any other authority with jurisdiction over the case, as a matter of right. The court or other authority with jurisdiction shall act promptly on such a request, affording a remedy by due course of law for the violation of any right. The reasons for any decision regarding the disposition of a victim's right shall be clearly stated on the record.

(d) The granting of the rights enumerated in this section to victims may not be construed to deny or impair any other rights possessed by victims. The provisions of this section apply throughout criminal and juvenile justice processes, are self-executing, and do not require implementing legislation. This section may not be construed to create any cause of action for damages against the state, or a political subdivision of the state, or any officer, employee, or agent of the state or its political subdivisions.

(e) As used in this section, a "victim" is a person who suffers direct or threatened physical, psychological, or financial harm as a result of the commission or attempted commission of a crime, or delinquent act or against whom the crime or delinquent act is committed. The term "victim" includes the victim's lawful representative, the parent or guardian of a minor, or the next of kin of a homicide victim, except upon a showing that the interest of such individual would be in actual or potential conflict with the interests of the victim. The term "victim" does not include the accused. The terms "crime" and "criminal" include delinquency acts and conduct. Victims of crime or their lawful representatives, including the next of kin of homicide victims, are entitled to the right to be informed to be present, and to be heard when relevant, at all crucial stages of criminal proceedings, to the extent that these rights do not interfere with the constitutional rights of the accused.

**ARTICLE V  
JUDICIARY**

SECTION 8. Eligibility.—No person shall be eligible for office of justice or judge of any court unless the person is an elector of the state and resides in the territorial jurisdiction of the court. No justice or judge shall serve after attaining the age of seventy-five seventy years except upon temporary assignment or to complete a term, one-half of which has been served. No person is eligible for the office of justice or the office of supreme court judge of a district court of appeal unless the person is, and has been for the preceding ten years, a member of the bar of Florida. No person is eligible for the office of circuit judge unless the person is, and has been for the preceding five years, a member of the bar of Florida. Unless otherwise provided by general law, no person is eligible for the office of county court judge unless the person is, and has been for the preceding five years, a member of the bar of Florida. Unless otherwise provided by general law, a person shall be eligible for election or appointment to the office of county court judge in a county having a population of 40,000 or less if the person is a member in good standing of the bar of Florida.

SECTION 21. Judicial interpretation of statutes and rules.—In interpreting a state statute or rule, a state court or an officer hearing an administrative action pursuant to general law may not defer to an administrative agency's interpretation of such statute or rule, and must instead interpret such statute or rule de novo.

**ARTICLE XII  
SCHEDULE**

Eligibility of justices and judges.—The amendment to Section 8 of Article V, which increases the age at which a justice or judge is no longer eligible to serve in judicial office except upon temporary assignment, shall take effect July 1, 2019.

**NO. 7  
CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION  
ARTICLE IX, SECTIONS 7 AND 8  
ARTICLE X, NEW SECTION**

**BALLOT TITLE:**  
First Responder and Military Member Survivor Benefits; Public Colleges and Universities

**BALLOT SUMMARY:**  
Grants mandatory payment of death benefits and waiver of certain educational expenses to qualifying survivors of certain first responders and military members who die performing official duties. Requires supermajority votes by university trustees and state university system board of governors to raise or impose all legislatively authorized fees if law requires approval by those bodies. Establishes existing state college system as constitutional entity; provides governance structure.

**FULL TEXT:**  
ARTICLE IX  
EDUCATION

SECTION 7. State University System.—

(a) PURPOSES. In order to achieve excellence through teaching students, advancing research and providing public service for the benefit of Florida's citizens, their communities and economies, the people hereby establish a system of governance for the state university system of Florida.

(b) STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM. There shall be a single state university system comprised of all public universities. A board of trustees shall administer each public university and a board of governors shall govern the state university system.

(c) LOCAL BOARDS OF TRUSTEES. Each local constituent university shall be administered by a board of trustees consisting of thirteen members dedicated to the purposes of the state university system. The board of governors shall establish the powers and duties of the boards of trustees. Each board of trustees shall consist of six citizen members appointed by the governor and five citizen members appointed by the board of governors. The appointed members shall be confirmed by the senate and serve staggered terms of five years as provided by law. The chair of the faculty senate, or the equivalent, and the president of the student body of the university shall also be members.

(d) STATEWIDE BOARD OF GOVERNORS. The board of governors shall be a body corporate consisting of seventeen members. The board shall operate, regulate, control, and be fully responsible for the management of the whole university system. These responsibilities shall include, but not be limited to, defining the distinctive mission of each constituent university and its articulation with free public schools and community colleges, ensuring the well-planned coordination and operation of the system, and avoiding wasteful duplication of facilities or programs. The board's management shall be subject to the powers of the legislature to appropriate for the expenditure of funds, and the board shall account for such expenditures as provided by law. The governor shall appoint to the board fourteen citizens dedicated to the purposes of the state university system. The appointed members shall be confirmed by the senate and serve staggered terms of seven years as provided by law. The commissioner of education, the chair of the advisory council of faculty senates, or the equivalent, and the president of the Florida student association, or the equivalent, shall also be members of the board.

(e) FEES. Any proposal or action of a constituent university to raise, impose, or authorize any fee, as authorized by law, must be approved by at least nine affirmative votes of the members of the board of trustees of the constituent university, if approved by the board of trustees is required by general law, and at least twelve affirmative votes of the members of the board of governors. If approved by the board of governors is required by general law, in order to take effect. A fee under this subsection shall not include tuition.

SECTION 8. State College System.—

(a) PURPOSES. In order to achieve excellence and to provide access to undergraduate education to the students of this state; to originate articulated pathways to a baccalaureate degree; to ensure superior commitment to teaching and learning; and to respond quickly and efficiently to meet the demand of communities by aligning certificate and degree programs with local and regional workforce needs, the people hereby establish a system of governance for the state college system of Florida.

(b) STATE COLLEGE SYSTEM. There shall be a single state college system comprised of all public community and state colleges. A local board of trustees shall govern each state college system institution and the state board of education shall supervise the state college system.

(c) LOCAL BOARDS OF TRUSTEES. Each state college system institution shall be governed by a local board of trustees dedicated to the purposes of the state college system. A member of a board of trustees must be a resident of the service delivery area of the college. The powers and duties of the boards of trustees shall be provided by law. Each member shall be appointed by the governor to staggered 4-year terms, subject to confirmation by the senate.

(d) ROLE OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION. The state board of education shall supervise the state college system as provided by law.

**ARTICLE X  
MISCELLANEOUS**

Death benefits for survivors of first responders and military members.—

(a) A death benefit shall be paid by the employing agency when a firefighter, a paramedic, an emergency medical technician, a law enforcement, correctional, or correctional probation officer, or a member of the Florida National Guard, while engaged in the performance of their official duties, is:

(1) Accidentally killed or receives accidental bodily injury which results in the loss of the individual's life, provided that such killing is not the result of suicide and that such bodily injury is not intentionally self-inflicted; or

(2) Unlawfully and intentionally killed or dies as a result of such unlawful and intentional act or is killed during active duty.

(b) A death benefit shall be paid by funds from general revenue when an active duty member of the United States Armed Forces is:

(1) Accidentally killed or receives accidental bodily injury which results in the loss of the individual's life, provided that such killing is not the result of suicide and that such bodily injury is not intentionally self-inflicted; or

(2) Unlawfully and intentionally killed or dies as a result of such unlawful and intentional act or is killed during active duty.

(c) If a firefighter, a paramedic, an emergency medical technician, a law enforcement, correctional, or correctional probation officer, or an active duty member of the Florida National Guard or United States Armed Forces is accidentally killed as specified in paragraphs (a)(1) and (b)(1), or unlawfully and intentionally killed as specified in paragraphs (a)(2) and (b)(2), the state shall waive certain educational expenses that the child or spouse of the deceased first responder or military member incurs while obtaining a career certificate, an undergraduate education, or a postgraduate education.

(d) An eligible first responder must have been working for the State of Florida or any of its political subdivisions or agencies at the time of death. An eligible military member must have been a resident of this state or his or her duty post must have been within this state at the time of death.

(e) The Legislature shall implement this section by general law.

(f) This section shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

**NO. 8  
CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION  
ARTICLE IX, SECTION 4, NEW SECTION  
ARTICLE XII, NEW SECTION**

**BALLOT TITLE:**  
School Board Term Limits and Duties; Public Schools

# Texan says he's selling 3D-printed gun plans

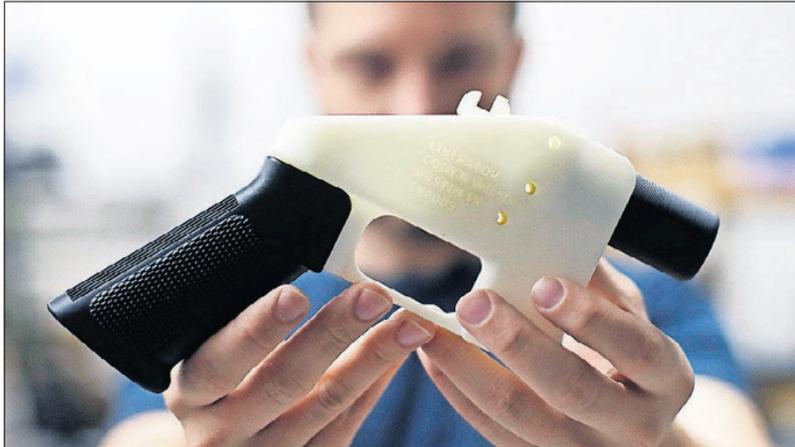
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The Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — The owner of a Texas company that makes untraceable 3D-printed guns said Tuesday that he has begun selling the blueprints through his website to anyone who wants to make one, despite a federal court order barring him from posting the plans online.

Cody Wilson said at a news conference that he started selling the plans Tuesday morning and that he had already received nearly 400 orders. He said he'll sell the plans for as little as a penny to anyone in the U.S. who wants them.

"Anyone who wants to get these files is going to get them," Wilson said, noting he can only sell to U.S. customers. "They can name their own price."

Wilson said that blueprints purchased through his company's website could be downloaded on a thumb drive and shipped to buyers by standard



Cody Wilson, with Defense Distributed, holds a 3D-printed gun called the Liberator at his shop, Aug. 1 in Austin, Texas. [ERIC GAY/ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTO]

mail, sent by email or sent by some other secure download transfer. Some of his first sales included purchases made with crypto currency, he said.

Nineteen states and the District of Columbia had sought an injunction to stop a settlement that reached with Wilson's Austin-based company, Defense Distributed, after the agency removed the 3D gun-making plans from a list of weapons or technical data that are not

allowed to be exported. The states argued that online access to the undetectable plastic guns would pose a security risk and could be acquired by felons or terrorists.

On Monday, U.S. District Judge Robert Lasnik in Seattle blocked Defense Distributed from posting the blueprints online, saying, "It is the untraceable and undetectable nature of these small firearms that poses a unique danger."

Wilson said he believes

the ruling allows him to sell the blueprints even if he can't post them online for free, widespread distribution.

"Regulation under the (law) means that the files cannot be uploaded to the internet, but they can be emailed, mailed, securely transmitted, or otherwise published within the United States," the ruling said on its final page.

"I'm following yesterday's orders that direct me to sell the files," Wilson said. "The judge

was very gracious to put that in black lettering."

Washington Attorney General Bob Ferguson, whose office oversaw the federal lawsuit, said Tuesday that he believes the judge's ruling makes Wilson's latest actions illegal.

"Because of our lawsuit, it is once again illegal to post downloadable gun files to the internet. I trust the federal government will hold Cody Wilson, a self-described 'crypto-anarchist,' accountable to that law," Ferguson said. "If they don't, President Trump will be responsible for anyone who is hurt or killed as a result of these weapons."

Andy Reuss, a U.S.

Department of Justice spokesman, declined to comment.

Wilson said he anticipates that states may try to sue to stop him from selling the plans, but that he is raising money for his legal defense. He also said he will continue to challenge the Monday court order.

Wilson said he believes he could have previously sold the blueprints but didn't because he wanted to be able to post them online for widespread, free distribution.

"For many years I chose not to sell these files. I was an open source advocate," Wilson said. "I don't expect to make money on it."

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and which place is predominantly or totally bounded on all sides and above by physical barriers, regardless of whether such barriers consist of or include uncovered openings, screened or otherwise partially covered openings; or open or closed windows, balconies, doors, or the like. This section applies to all such enclosed indoor workplaces without regard to whether work is occurring at any given time.

(5) "Commercial" use of a private residence means any time during which the owner, lessee, or other person occupying or controlling the use of the private residence is furnishing in the private residence, or causing or allowing to be furnished in the private residence, child care, adult care, or health care, or any combination thereof, and receiving or expecting to receive compensation therefor.

(6) "Retail tobacco shop" means any enclosed indoor workplace dedicated to or predominantly for the retail sale of tobacco, tobacco products, and accessories for such products, in which the sale of other products or services is merely incidental.

(7) "Designated smoking guest rooms at public lodging establishments" means the sleeping rooms and directly associated private areas, such as bathrooms, living rooms, and kitchen areas, if any, rented to guests for their exclusive transient occupancy in public lodging establishments including hotels, motels, resort condominiums, transient apartments, transient lodging establishments, rooming houses, boarding houses, resort dwellings, bed and breakfast inns, and the like; and designated by the person or persons having management authority over such public lodging establishment as rooms in which smoking may be permitted.

(8) "Stand-alone bar" means any place of business devoted during any time of operation predominantly or totally to serving alcoholic beverages, intoxicating beverages, or intoxicating liquors, or any combination thereof, for consumption on the licensed premises; in which the serving of food, if any, is merely incidental to the consumption of any such beverage; and that is not located within, and does not share any common entryway or common indoor area with, any other enclosed indoor workplace including any business for which the sale of food or any other product or service is more than an incidental source of gross revenue.

(9) "Vapor-generating electronic device" means any product that employs an electronic, a chemical, or a mechanical means capable of producing vapor or aerosol from a nicotine product or any other substance, including, but not limited to, an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, or other similar device or product, any replacement cartridge for such device, and any other container of a solution or other substance intended to be used with or within an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, or other similar device or product.

(10) "Vapor-generating electronic device retailer" means any enclosed indoor workplace dedicated to or predominantly for the retail sale of vapor-generating electronic devices and components, parts, and accessories for such products, in which the sale of other products or services is merely incidental.

(d) LEGISLATION. In the next regular legislative session occurring after voter approval of this section or any amendment to this section, the Florida Legislature shall adopt legislation to implement this section and any amendment to this section in a manner consistent with its broad purpose and stated terms, and having an effective date no later than July 1 of the year following voter approval. Such legislation shall include, without limitation, civil penalties for violations of this section; provisions for administrative enforcement; and the requirement and authorization of agency rules for implementation and enforcement. This section does not preclude the legislature from enacting any law constituting or allowing a more restrictive regulation of tobacco smoking or the use of vapor-generating electronic devices than is provided in this section.

## NO. 10 CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION ARTICLE III, SECTION 3 ARTICLE IV, SECTIONS 4 AND 11 ARTICLE VIII, SECTIONS 1 AND 6

**BALLOT TITLE:**  
State and Local Government Structure and Operation

### **BALLOT SUMMARY:**

Requires legislature to retain department of veterans' affairs. Ensures election of sheriffs, property appraisers, supervisors of elections, tax collectors, and clerks of court in all counties; removes county charters' ability to abolish, change term, transfer duties, or eliminate election of these offices. Changes annual legislative session commencement date in even-numbered years from March to January; removes legislature's authorization to fix another date. Creates office of domestic security and counterterrorism within department of law enforcement.

### **FULL TEXT:**

#### ARTICLE III LEGISLATURE

### SECTION 3. Sessions of the legislature.—

(a) ORGANIZATION SESSIONS. On the fourteenth day following each general election the legislature shall convene for the exclusive purpose of organization and selection of officers.

(b) REGULAR SESSIONS. A regular session of the legislature shall convene on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March of each odd-numbered year, and on the second first Tuesday after the first Monday in January, March, or such other date as may be fixed by law, of each even-numbered year.

### (c) SPECIAL SESSIONS.

(1) The governor, by proclamation stating the purpose, may convene the legislature in special session during which only such legislative business may be transacted as is within the purview of the proclamation, or of a communication from the governor, or is introduced by consent of two-thirds of the membership of each house.

(2) A special session of the legislature may be convened as provided by law.

(d) LENGTH OF SESSIONS. A regular session of the legislature shall not exceed sixty consecutive days, and a special session shall not exceed twenty consecutive days, unless extended beyond such limit by a three-fifths vote of each house. During such an extension no new business may be taken up in either house without the consent of two-thirds of its membership.

(e) ADJOURNMENT. Neither house shall adjourn for more than seventy-two consecutive hours except pursuant to concurrent resolution.

(f) ADJOURNMENT BY GOVERNOR. If, during any regular or special session, the two houses cannot agree upon a time for adjournment, the governor may adjourn the session sine die or to any date within the period authorized for such session; provided that, at least twenty-four hours before adjourning the session, and while neither house is in recess, each house shall be given formal written notice of the governor's intention to do so, and agreement reached within that period by both houses on a time for adjournment shall prevail.

#### ARTICLE IV EXECUTIVE

### SECTION 4. Cabinet.—

(a) There shall be a cabinet composed of an attorney general, a chief financial officer, and a commissioner of agriculture. In addition to the powers and duties specified herein, they shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as may be prescribed by law. In the event of a tie vote of the governor and cabinet, the side on which the governor voted shall be deemed to prevail.

(b) The attorney general shall be the chief state legal officer. There is created in the office of the attorney general the position of statewide prosecutor. The statewide prosecutor shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the state attorneys to prosecute violations of criminal laws occurring or having occurred, in two or more judicial circuits as part of a related transaction, or when any such offense is affecting or has affected two or more judicial circuits as provided by general law. The statewide prosecutor shall be appointed by the attorney general from not less than three persons nominated by the judicial nominating commission for the supreme court, or as otherwise provided by general law.

(c) The chief financial officer shall serve as the chief fiscal officer of the state, and shall settle and approve accounts against the state, and shall keep all state funds and securities.

(d) The commissioner of agriculture shall have supervision of matters pertaining to agriculture except as otherwise provided by law.

(e) The governor as chair, the chief financial officer, and the attorney general shall constitute the state board of administration, which shall succeed to all the power, control, and authority of the state board of administration established pursuant to Article IX, Section 16 of the Constitution of 1885, and which shall continue as a body at least for the life of Article XII, Section 9(c).

(f) The governor as chair, the chief financial officer, the attorney general, and the commissioner of agriculture shall constitute the trustees of the internal improvement trust fund and the land acquisition trust fund as provided by law.

(g) The governor as chair, the chief financial officer, the attorney general, and the commissioner of agriculture shall constitute the agency head of the Department of Law Enforcement. The Office of Domestic Security and Counterterrorism is created within the Department of Law Enforcement. The Office of Domestic Security and Counterterrorism shall provide support for prosecutors and federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies that investigate or analyze information relating to attempts or acts of terrorism or that prosecute terrorism, and shall perform any other duties that are provided by law.

SECTION 11. Department of Veterans' Veterans Affairs.—The legislature, by general law, shall provide for a may provide for the establishment of the Department of Veterans' Veterans Affairs and prescribe its duties. The head of the department is the governor and cabinet.

#### ARTICLE VIII LOCAL GOVERNMENT

### SECTION 1. Counties.—

(a) POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS. The state shall be divided by law into political subdivisions called counties. Counties may be created, abolished or changed by law, with provision for payment or apportionment of the public debt.

(b) COUNTY FUNDS. The care, custody and method of disbursing county funds shall be provided by general law.

(c) GOVERNMENT. Pursuant to general or special law, a county government may be established by charter which shall be adopted, amended or repealed only upon vote of the electors of the county in a

special election called for that purpose.

(d) COUNTY OFFICERS. There shall be elected by the electors of each county, for terms of four years, a sheriff, a tax collector, a property appraiser, a supervisor of elections, and a clerk of the circuit court; except when provided by county charter or special law approved by vote of the electors of the county; any county officer may be chosen in another manner therein specified; or any county officer may be abolished when all the duties of the office prescribed by general law are transferred to another office. Unless when not otherwise provided by county charter or special law approved by vote of the electors or pursuant to Article V, section 16, the clerk of the circuit court shall be ex officio clerk of the board of county commissioners, auditor, recorder and custodian of all county funds.

Notwithstanding subsection (e) of this article, a county charter may not abolish the office of a sheriff, a tax collector, a property appraiser, a supervisor of elections, or a clerk of the circuit court; transfer the duties of those officers to another officer or office; change the length of the four-year term of office; or establish any manner of selection other than by election by the electors of the county.

(e) COMMISSIONERS. Except when otherwise provided by county charter, the governing body of each county shall be a board of county commissioners composed of five or seven members serving staggered terms of four years. After each decennial census the board of county commissioners shall divide the county into districts of contiguous territory as nearly equal in population as practicable. One commissioner residing in each district shall be elected as provided by law.

(f) NON-CHARTER GOVERNMENT. Counties not operating under county charters shall have all powers of self-government as is provided by general or special law. The board of county commissioners of a county not operating under a charter may enact, in a manner prescribed by general law, county ordinances not inconsistent with general or special law, but not in conflict with a municipal ordinance shall not be effective within the municipality to the extent of such conflict.

(g) CHARTER GOVERNMENT. Counties operating under county charters shall have all powers of local self-government not inconsistent with general law, and with special law approved by vote of the electors. The governing body of a county operating under a charter may enact county ordinances not inconsistent with general law. The charter shall provide which shall prevail in the event of conflict between county and municipal ordinances.

(h) TAXES, LIMITATION. Property situate within municipalities shall not be subject to taxation for services rendered by the county exclusively for the benefit of the property or residents in unincorporated areas.

(i) COUNTY ORDINANCES. Each county ordinance shall be filed with the custodian of state records and shall become effective at such time thereafter as is provided by general law.

(j) VIOLATION OF ORDINANCES. Persons violating county ordinances shall be prosecuted and punished as provided by law.

(k) COUNTY SEAT. In every county there shall be a county seat at which shall be located the principal offices and permanent records of all county officers. The county seat may not be moved except as provided by general law. Branch offices for the conduct of county business may be established elsewhere in the county by resolution of the governing body of the county in the manner prescribed by law. No instrument shall be deemed recorded until filed at the county seat, or a branch office designated by the governing body of the county for the recording of instruments, according to law.

SECTION 6. Schedule to Article VIII.—

(a) This article shall replace all of Article VIII of the Constitution of 1885, as amended, except those sections expressly retained and made a part of this article by reference.

(b) COUNTIES; COUNTY SEATS; MUNICIPALITIES; DISTRICTS. The status of the following items as they exist on the date this article becomes effective is recognized and shall be continued until changed in accordance with law: the counties of the state; their status with respect to the legality of the sale of intoxicating liquors, wines and beers; the method of selection of county officers; the performance of municipal functions by county officers; the county seats; and the municipalities and special districts of the state, their powers, jurisdiction and government.

(c) OFFICERS TO CONTINUE IN OFFICE. Every person holding office when this article becomes effective shall continue in office for the remainder of the term if that office is not abolished. If the office is abolished the incumbent shall be paid adequate compensation, to be fixed by law, for the loss of emoluments for the remainder of the term.

(d) ORDINANCES. Local laws relating only to unincorporated areas of a county on the effective date of this article may be amended or repealed by county ordinance.

(e) CONSOLIDATION AND HOME RULE. Article VIII, Sections 9, 10, 11 and 24 of the Constitution of 1885, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect as to each county affected, as if this article had not been adopted, until that county shall expressly adopt a charter or home rule plan pursuant to this article. All provisions of the Metropolitan Dade County Home Rule Charter, heretofore or hereafter adopted by the electors of Dade County pursuant to Article VIII, Section 11, of the Constitution of 1885, as amended, shall be valid, and any amendments to such charter shall be valid, provided that the said provisions of such charter and the said amendments thereto are authorized under said Article VIII, Section 11, of the Constitution of 1885, as amended.

(f) DADE COUNTY; POWERS CONFERRED UPON MUNICIPALITIES. To the extent not inconsistent with the powers of existing municipalities or general law, the Metropolitan Government of Dade County may exercise all the powers conferred now or hereafter by general law upon municipalities.

(g) SELECTION AND DUTIES OF COUNTY OFFICERS.—

(1) Except as provided in this subsection, the amendment to Section 1 of this article, relating to the selection and duties of county officers, shall take effect January 5, 2021, but shall govern with respect to the qualifying for and the holding of the primary and general elections for county constitutional officers in 2020.

(2) For Miami-Dade County and Broward County, the amendment to Section 1 of this article, relating to the selection and duties of county officers, shall take effect January 7, 2025, but shall govern with respect to the qualifying for and the holding of the primary and general elections for county constitutional officers in 2024.

(h)(g) DELETION OF OBSOLETE SCHEDULE ITEMS. The legislature shall have power, by joint resolution, to delete from this article any subsection of this Section 6, including this subsection, when all events to which the subsection to be deleted is or could become applicable have occurred. A legislative determination of fact made as a basis for application of this subsection shall be subject to judicial review.

## NO. 11 CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 ARTICLE X, SECTIONS 9 AND 19

### **BALLOT TITLE:**

Property Rights; Removal of Obsolete Provision; Criminal Statutes

### **BALLOT SUMMARY:**

Removes discriminatory language related to real property rights. Removes obsolete language repealed by voters. Deletes provision that amendment of a criminal statute will not affect prosecution or penalties for a crime committed before the amendment; retains current provision allowing prosecution of a crime committed before the repeal of a criminal statute.

### **FULL TEXT:**

#### ARTICLE I DECLARATION OF RIGHTS

SECTION 2. Basic rights.—All natural persons, female and male alike, are equal before the law and have inalienable rights, among which are the right to enjoy and defend life and liberty, to pursue happiness, to be rewarded for industry, and to acquire, possess and protect property, except that the ownership, inheritance, disposition and possession of real property by aliens ineligible for citizenship may be regulated or prohibited by law. No person shall be deprived of any right because of race, religion, national origin, or physical disability.

#### ARTICLE X MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 9. Repeal of criminal statutes.—Repeal or amendment of a criminal statute shall not affect prosecution or punishment for any crime previously committed before such repeal.

SECTION 19. Road and High-Speed Ground Transportation System.—To reduce traffic congestion and provide alternatives to the traveling public, it is hereby declared to be in the public interest that a high speed ground transportation system consisting of a monorail, fixed guideway or magnetic levitation system; capable of speeds in excess of 120 miles per hour; be developed and operated in the State of Florida to provide high speed ground transportation by innovative, efficient and effective technologies consisting of dedicated rails or guideways separated from motor vehicular traffic that will link the five largest urban areas of the State as determined by the Legislature and provide for access to existing air and ground transportation facilities and services. The Legislature, the Cabinet and the Governor are hereby directed to proceed with the development of such a system by the State and/or by a private entity pursuant to state approval and authorization, including the acquisition of right-of-way; the financing of design and construction of the system; and the operation of the system, as provided by specific appropriation and by law, with construction to begin on or before November 1, 2065.

## NO. 12 CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION ARTICLE II, SECTION 8 ARTICLE V, SECTION 13 ARTICLE XII, NEW SECTION

### **BALLOT TITLE:**

Lobbying and Abuse of Office by Public Officers

### **BALLOT SUMMARY:**

Expands current restrictions on lobbying for compensation by former public officers; creates restrictions on lobbying for compensation by serving public officers and former justices and judges; provides exceptions; prohibits abuse of a public position by public officers and employees to obtain a personal benefit.

### **FULL TEXT:**

#### ARTICLE II GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 8. Ethics in government.—A public office is a public trust. The people shall have the right to secure and sustain that trust against abuse. To assure this right:

(a) All elected constitutional officers and candidates for such offices and, as may be determined by law, other public officers, candidates, and employees shall file full and public disclosure of their financial interests.

(b) All elected public officers and candidates for such offices shall file full and public disclosure of their campaign finances.

(c) Any public officer or employee who breaches the public trust for private gain and any person or entity inducing such breach shall be liable to the state for all financial benefits obtained by such actions. The manner of recovery and additional damages may be provided by law.

(d) Any public officer or employee who is convicted of a felony involving a breach of public trust shall be subject to forfeiture of rights and privileges under a public retirement system or pension plan in such manner as may be provided by law.

(e) No member of the legislature or statewide elected officer shall personally represent another person or entity for compensation before the government body or agency of which the individual was an officer or member for a period of two years following vacation of office. No member of the legislature shall personally represent another person or entity for compensation during term of office before any state agency other than judicial tribunals. Similar restrictions on other public officers and employees may be established by law.

(f)(1) For purposes of this subsection, the term "public officer" means a statewide elected officer, a member of the legislature, a county commissioner, a county officer pursuant to Article VIII or county charter, a school board member, a superintendent of schools, an elected municipal officer, an elected special district officer in a special district with ad valorem taxing authority, or a person serving as a secretary, an executive director, or other agency head of a department of the executive branch of state government.

(2) A public officer shall not lobby for compensation on issues of policy, appropriations, or procurement before the federal government, the legislature, any state government body or agency, or any political subdivision of this state, during his or her term of office.

(3) A public officer shall not lobby for compensation on issues of policy, appropriations, or procurement for a period of six years after vacation of public position, as follows:

a. A statewide elected officer or member of the legislature shall not lobby the legislature or any state government body or agency.

b. A person serving as a secretary, an executive director, or other agency head of a department of the executive branch of state government shall not lobby the legislature, the governor, the executive office of the governor, members of the cabinet, a department that is headed by a member of the cabinet, or his or her former department.

c. A county commissioner, a county officer pursuant to Article VIII or county charter, a school board member, a superintendent of schools, an elected municipal officer, or an elected special district officer in a special district with ad valorem taxing authority shall not lobby his or her former agency or governing body.

(4) This subsection shall not be construed to prohibit a public officer from carrying out the duties of his or her public office.

(5) The legislature may enact legislation to implement this subsection, including, but not limited to, defining terms and providing penalties for violations. Any such law shall not contain provisions on any other subject.

(6) There shall be an independent commission to conduct investigations and make public reports on all complaints concerning breach of public trust by public officers or employees not within the jurisdiction of the judicial qualifications commission.

(7) A code of ethics for all state employees and nonjudicial officers prohibiting conflict between public duty and private interests shall be prescribed by law.

(8) A public officer or public employee shall not abuse his or her public position in order to obtain a disproportionate benefit for himself or herself, his or her spouse, children, or employer, or for any business with which he or she contracts, in which he or she is an officer, a partner, a director, or a proprietor, or in which he or she owns an interest. The Florida Commission on Ethics shall, by rule in accordance with statutory procedures governing administrative rulemaking, define the term "disproportionate benefit" and prescribe the requisite intent for finding a violation of this prohibition for purposes of enforcing this paragraph. Appropriate penalties shall be prescribed by law.

(9) This section shall not be construed to limit disclosures and prohibitions which may be established by law to preserve the public trust and avoid conflicts between public duties and private interests.

(10) Schedule.—On the effective date of this amendment and until changed by law:

(1) Full and public disclosure of financial interests shall mean filing with the custodian of state records by July 1 of each year a sworn statement showing net worth and identifying each asset and liability in excess of \$1,000 and its value together with one of the following:

a. A copy of the person's most recent federal income tax return; or

b. A sworn statement which identifies each separate source and amount of income which exceeds \$1,000. The forms for such source disclosure and the rules under which they are to be filed shall be prescribed by the independent commission established in subsection (9) (f), and such rules shall include disclosure of secondary sources of income.

(2) Persons holding statewide elective office shall also file disclosure of their financial interests pursuant to paragraph (1) subsection (9)(f).

(3) The independent commission provided for in subsection (9) (f) shall mean the Florida Commission on Ethics.

#### ARTICLE V JUDICIARY

### SECTION 13. Ethics in the judiciary Prohibited activities.—

(a) All justices and judges shall devote full time to their judicial duties. A justice or judge shall not engage in the practice of law or hold office in any political party.

(b) A former justice or former judge shall not lobby for compensation on issues of policy, appropriations, or procurement before the legislative or executive branches of state government for a period of six years after he or she vacates his or her judicial position. The legislature may enact legislation to implement this subsection, including, but not limited to, defining terms and providing penalties for violations. Any such law shall not contain provisions on any other subject.

#### ARTICLE XII SCHEDULE

Prohibitions regarding lobbying for compensation and abuse of public position by public officers and public employees.—The amendments to Section 8 of Article II and Section 13 of Article V shall take effect December 31, 2022; except that the amendments to Section 8(h) of Article II shall take effect December 31, 2020; and:

(a) The Florida Commission on Ethics shall, by rule, define the term "disproportionate benefit" and prescribe the requisite intent for finding a violation of the prohibition against abuse of public position by October 1, 2019, as specified in Section 8(h) of Article II.

(b) Following the adoption of rules pursuant to subsection (a), the legislature shall enact implementing legislation establishing penalties for violations of the prohibition against abuse of public position to take effect December 31, 2020.

#### NO. 13 CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION ARTICLE X, NEW SECTION ARTICLE XII, NEW SECTION

### **BALLOT TITLE:**

Ends Dog Racing

### **BALLOT SUMMARY:**

Phases out commercial dog racing in connection with wagering by 2020. Other gaming activities are not affected.

### **FULL TEXT:**

#### ARTICLE X MISCELLANEOUS

Prohibition on racing of and wagering on greyhounds or other dogs.—The humane treatment of animals is a fundamental value of the people of the State of Florida. After December 31, 2020, a person authorized to conduct gaming or pari-mutuel operations may not race greyhounds or any other member of the *Canis Familiaris* subspecies in connection with any wager for money or any other thing of value in this state, and persons in this state may not wager money or any other thing of value on the outcome of a live dog race occurring in this state. The failure to conduct greyhound racing or wagering on greyhound racing after December 31, 2018, does not constitute grounds to revoke or deny renewal of other related gaming licenses held by a person who is a licensed greyhound permit holder on January 1, 2018, and does not affect the eligibility of such permit holder, or such permit holder's facility, to conduct other pari-mutuel activities authorized by general law. By general law, the legislature shall specify civil or criminal penalties for violations of this section and for activities that aid or abet violations of this section.

#### ARTICLE XII SCHEDULE

Prohibition on racing of or wagering on greyhounds or other dogs.—The amendment to Article X, which prohibits the racing of or wagering on greyhound and other dogs, and the creation of this section, shall take effect upon the approval of the electors.

## PROPUETAS DE ENMIENDAS Y REVISIONES CONSTITUCIONALES PARA LA ELECCION GENERAL DEL 2018

Yo, Ken Deltzer, Secretario de Estado de la Florida, por el presente notifico que las siguientes enmiendas constitucionales propuestas y revisiones estarán presentes en la papeleta de las elecciones generales en cada condado de la elección general del 2018.

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### N.º 1 ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL ARTÍCULO VII, SECCIÓN 6 ARTÍCULO XII, SECCIÓN 37

#### TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Aumento de la Exención sobre los Impuestos a la Propiedad de la Vivienda Familiar (*Homestead*)

#### RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Se propone una enmienda a la Constitución del Estado con el fin de aumentar la exención fiscal de la vivienda familiar mediante la exención de la tasación fiscal de la propiedad de la vivienda familiar superior a \$100,000 y hasta \$125,000 para todos los gravámenes, a excepción de los gravámenes para distritos escolares. La enmienda entrará en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2019.

#### TEXTO COMPLETO:

### ARTÍCULO VII FINANZAS Y TRIBUTACIÓN

SECCIÓN 6. Exenciones fiscales para la vivienda familiar. — (a) Todas las personas que tengan titularidad legal o equitativa sobre bienes raíces y mantengan en los mismos la residencia permanente del propietario, u otra, que dependa legal o naturalmente del propietario, quedarán exentos de la tributación sobre los mismos, a excepción de las impositivas para beneficios especiales, hasta la tasación fiscal de veinticinco mil dólares y, respecto a todos los otros gravámenes a excepción de los gravámenes para distritos escolares, sobre la tasación fiscal superior a cincuenta mil dólares y hasta setenta y cinco mil dólares, y sobre la tasación fiscal superior a cien mil dólares y hasta ciento veinticinco mil dólares, una vez que se establezca el derecho sobre estos según lo prescribe la ley. La titularidad sobre los bienes raíces podrá ser legal o equitativa, mancomunada, solidaria, en común, como condominio, o indirectamente mediante la tenencia de acciones o la participación que representen el derecho del propietario o socio en una sociedad que tenga el dominio o los derechos de arrendamiento que inicialmente superen noventa y ocho años. La exención no se aplicará respecto a ningún registro de evaluación hasta que primero un organismo estatal designado por la ley general determine que dicho registro cumple las disposiciones de la Sección 4. Esta exención se revocará en la fecha de entrada en vigencia de cualquier enmienda a este Artículo que disponga la tasación de la propiedad de la vivienda familiar a un valor inferior al valor justo.

(b) No se le permitirá más de una exención a ninguna persona o unidad familiar respecto a ninguna unidad residencial. Ninguna exención superará el valor de los bienes raíces tasables al propietario o, en caso de posesión mediante acciones o participación en una sociedad, el valor de la proporción que devenga de la membresía en la corporación sobre el valor tasado de la propiedad.

(c) De conformidad con la ley general y con sujeción a las condiciones que se especifican en la misma, el Poder Legislativo podrá entregarles a los arrendatarios que sean residentes permanentes una reducción fiscal ad valorem sobre todos los gravámenes fiscales ad valorem. Dicha reducción fiscal ad valorem se establecerá de la forma y en el monto que disponga la ley general.

(d) El poder legislativo podrá, de conformidad con la ley general, permitirles a los condados o municipios, para efectos de sus gravámenes fiscales respectivos y con sujeción a las disposiciones de la ley general, conceder cualquiera de las siguientes exenciones fiscales adicionales para la vivienda familiar o ambas:

(1) Una exención que no supere cincuenta mil dólares para una persona que tenga titularidad legal o equitativa sobre bienes raíces y mantenga en los mismos la residencia permanente del propietario, que haya cumplido la edad de sesenta y cinco años, y cuyos ingresos del hogar, según lo define la ley general, no superen veinte mil dólares; o

(2) Una exención equivalente al valor tasado de la propiedad para una persona que tenga titularidad legal o equitativa sobre los bienes raíces con un valor justo inferior a doscientos cincuenta mil dólares, según se determine en el primer año fiscal que aplique el propietario y que cumpla los requisitos para la exención, y que haya mantenido en los mismos la residencia permanente del propietario durante al menos veinticinco años, que haya cumplido la edad de sesenta y cinco años, y cuyos ingresos del hogar no superen la limitación sobre ingresos que se prescribe en el párrafo (1). La ley general debe permitirles a los condados y municipios conceder dichas exenciones adicionales, dentro de los límites que se prescriben en esta subsección, mediante una ordenanza que se adopte de la manera que lo prescribe la ley general, y debe disponer el ajuste periódico de la limitación sobre ingresos que se prescribe en esta subsección respecto a los cambios en el costo de vida.

(e) Cada veterano que tenga 65 años o más y que se encuentre total o parcialmente discapacitado recibirá un descuento del monto del impuesto ad valorem que se adeude sobre la propiedad de la vivienda familiar que posea el veterano y donde el mismo resida si la discapacidad hubiera sido causada por el combate y el veterano hubiera sido dado de baja con honor tras retirarse del servicio militar. El descuento se expresará en un porcentaje equivalente al porcentaje de la discapacidad permanente vinculada al servicio del veterano, según lo determine el Departamento de Asuntos de los Veteranos de los Estados Unidos. Para optar al descuento que concede esta subsección, el solicitante debe presentarle al tasador de propiedades del condado, a más tardar el 1 de marzo, una carta oficial del Departamento de Asuntos de los Veteranos de los Estados Unidos mediante la que se indique el porcentaje de la discapacidad vinculada al servicio del veterano y las pruebas que demuestren de manera razonable que la discapacidad fue causada por el combate, así como también una copia de la baja honorable del veterano. Si el tasador de propiedades rechaza la solicitud de descuento, el tasador debe notificarle al solicitante por escrito los motivos del rechazo, y el veterano podrá volver a realizar la solicitud. El Poder Legislativo podrá, de conformidad con la ley general, ceder del requerimiento anual de solicitudes en los años posteriores. Esta subsección tiene efecto inmediato y no necesita legislación de implementación.

(f) De conformidad con la ley general y con sujeción a las condiciones y limitaciones que se especifican en la misma, el Poder Legislativo podrá entregarle una deducción fiscal ad valorem equivalente al monto total o una parte del impuesto ad valorem que se adeude sobre la propiedad de la vivienda familiar: —

(1) La cónyuge sobreviviente de un veterano que haya muerto durante su servicio activo en calidad de miembro de las Fuerzas Armadas de los Estados Unidos.

(2) La cónyuge sobreviviente de un miembro de primeros auxilios que haya muerto en acto de servicio.

(3) Un miembro de primeros auxilios que se encuentre totalmente y permanentemente discapacitado a causa de una lesión o lesiones que haya sufrido en acto de servicio. La conexión causal entre una discapacidad y el acto de servicio no debe presumirse, sino que debe determinarse según lo dispone la ley general. Para efectos de este párrafo, el término "discapacitado" no incluye una condición crónica o enfermedad crónica, a menos que la lesión que se haya sufrido en acto de servicio hubiera sido la única causa de la condición crónica y la enfermedad crónica.

Según se usa en esta subsección y según lo define más extensamente la ley general, el término "miembro de primeros auxilios" hace referencia a un oficial de la policía, un oficial correccional, un bombero, un técnico médico de emergencia o un paramédico, y el término "en servicio activo" significa que surge a raíz del desempeño real del servicio que sea necesario en virtud del trabajo como miembro de primeros auxilios.

### ARTÍCULO XII ANEXO

SECCIÓN 37. Aumento de exención fiscal para la vivienda familiar. — Esta sección y la enmienda a la Sección 6 del Artículo VII mediante las que se aumenta la exención fiscal para la vivienda familiar a través de la exención de la tasación fiscal de la propiedad de la vivienda familiar superior a \$100,000 y hasta \$125,000 para todos los gravámenes, a excepción de los gravámenes para distritos escolares, entrarán en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2019.

### N.º 2 ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL ARTÍCULO XII, SECCIÓN 27

#### TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Limitaciones sobre las Tasaciones Fiscales de las Propiedades

#### RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Se propone una enmienda a la Constitución del Estado con el fin de conservar de manera permanente las disposiciones actualmente vigentes, las que limitan el aumento de las tasaciones fiscales sobre las propiedades en propiedades determinadas específicas que no sean destinadas a la vivienda familiar, a excepción de los gravámenes para distritos escolares, a un 10% anual. Si se aprueba, la enmienda eliminará la revocación programada de dichas disposiciones para el 2019 y entrará en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2019.

#### TEXTO COMPLETO:

### ARTÍCULO XII ANEXO

SECCIÓN 27. Exenciones fiscales sobre las propiedades y limitaciones sobre las tasaciones fiscales sobre las propiedades. — (a) Las enmiendas a las Secciones 3, 4 y 6 del Artículo VII, que disponen una exención de \$25,000 para los bienes muebles tangibles, que disponen una exención fiscal adicional para la propiedad de la vivienda principal de \$25,000, que autorizan el traspaso de los beneficios acumulados de las limitaciones sobre la tasación de la propiedad de la vivienda familiar, y esta sección, si se le presenta a los electores de este estado para su aprobación o rechazo en una elección especial que la ley autorizó que se realizara el 29 de enero de 2008, entrarán en vigencia con la aprobación de los electores y operarán de manera retroactiva hasta el 1 de enero de 2008 o, si se le presentan a los electores de este estado para su aprobación o rechazo en la próxima elección general, entrarán en vigencia el 1 de enero del año posterior a dicha elección general. Las enmiendas a la Sección 4 del Artículo VII mediante las que se crean las subsecciones (j)(f) y (j)(g) de dicha sección, mediante las que se crea una limitación sobre el aumento de la tasación anual para las propiedades determinadas específicas, entrarán en vigencia con la aprobación de los electores y primero limitarán las tasaciones a partir del 1 de enero de 2009, si se aprueban en una elección especial que se realice el 29 de enero de 2008, o primero limitarán las tasaciones a partir del 1 de enero de 2010, si se aprueban en la elección general que se realice en noviembre de 2008. Las subsecciones (f) y (g) de la Sección 4 del Artículo VII se revocan con fecha 1 de enero de 2019; sin embargo, el poder legislativo, mediante resolución conjunta, propondrá una enmienda mediante la que se abroge la revocación de las subsecciones (f) y (g); la que se les presentará a los electores de este estado para su aprobación o rechazo en la elección general de 2019 y, si se aprueba, entrará en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2019.

(b) La enmienda a la subsección (a) mediante la que se abroga la revocación programada de las subsecciones (g) y (h) de la Sección 4 del Artículo VII de la Constitución del Estado que existía en 2017 entrará en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2019.

### N.º 3 ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL ARTÍCULO X, SECCIÓN 29

#### TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Control de Apuestas en Florida por parte de los Votantes

#### RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

La presente enmienda garantiza que los votantes de Florida tengan el derecho exclusivo a decidir si autorizar o no las apuestas en casinos, exigiendo que para que estas sean autorizadas conforme a la ley de Florida, deban ser primero aprobadas por los votantes de Florida de conformidad con el Artículo XI, Sección 3 de la Constitución de Florida. Afecta los artículos X y XI. Define las apuestas en casinos y aclara que la presente enmienda no discrepa con la ley federal respecto a los convenios entre tribus y el estado.

#### TEXTO COMPLETO:

### ARTÍCULO X ANEXO

SECCIÓN 27. Exenciones fiscales sobre las propiedades y limitaciones sobre las tasaciones fiscales sobre las propiedades. — (a) Las enmiendas a las Secciones 3, 4 y 6 del Artículo VII, que disponen una exención de \$25,000 para los bienes muebles tangibles, que disponen una exención fiscal adicional para la propiedad de la vivienda principal de \$25,000, que autorizan el traspaso de los beneficios acumulados de las limitaciones sobre la tasación de la propiedad de la vivienda familiar, y esta sección, si se le presenta a los electores de este estado para su aprobación o rechazo en una elección especial que la ley autorizó que se realizara el 29 de enero de 2008, entrarán en vigencia con la aprobación de los electores y operarán de manera retroactiva hasta el 1 de enero de 2008 o, si se le presentan a los electores de este estado para su aprobación o rechazo en la próxima elección general, entrarán en vigencia el 1 de enero del año posterior a dicha elección general. Las enmiendas a la Sección 4 del Artículo VII mediante las que se crean las subsecciones (j)(f) y (j)(g) de dicha sección, mediante las que se crea una limitación sobre el aumento de la tasación anual para las propiedades determinadas específicas, entrarán en vigencia con la aprobación de los electores y primero limitarán las tasaciones a partir del 1 de enero de 2009, si se aprueban en una elección especial que se realice el 29 de enero de 2008, o primero limitarán las tasaciones a partir del 1 de enero de 2010, si se aprueban en la elección general que se realice en noviembre de 2008. Las subsecciones (f) y (g) de la Sección 4 del Artículo VII se revocan con fecha 1 de enero de 2019; sin embargo, el poder legislativo, mediante resolución conjunta, propondrá una enmienda mediante la que se abroge la revocación de las subsecciones (f) y (g); la que se les presentará a los electores de este estado para su aprobación o rechazo en la elección general de 2019 y, si se aprueba, entrará en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2019.

(b) La enmienda a la subsección (a) mediante la que se abroga la revocación programada de las subsecciones (g) y (h) de la Sección 4 del Artículo VII de la Constitución del Estado que existía en 2017 entrará en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2019.

### N.º 4 ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL ARTÍCULO VI, SECCIÓN 4

#### TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Enmienda de Restablecimiento de Derechos al Voto

#### RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

La presente enmienda restablece los derechos de votación de los Floridaños que han sido condenados por delitos graves después de que cumplan todos los términos de su sentencia, lo que incluye la libertad condicional o provisional. La enmienda no regirá para aquellos condenados por homicidio o delitos sexuales, a quienes se les seguirá prohibiendo de manera permanente votar, a menos que el Gobernador y el Gabinete votaran para restablecer sus derechos de votación según cada caso en particular.

#### TEXTO COMPLETO:

### ARTÍCULO VI FINANZAS Y TRIBUTACIÓN

SECCIÓN 4. Ninguna persona que haya sido condenada por un delito grave, o que haya sido declarada mentalmente incompetente en este o cualquier otro estado, estará habilitada para votar u ocupar un cargo público hasta que se restablezcan sus derechos civiles o hasta que desaparezca su discapacidad. Salvo según se disponga en la subsección (b) de la presente sección, cualquier descalificación votar que surja a raíz de una condena por delito grave se extinguirá, y los derechos de votación se restablecerán, una vez que se cumplan todos los términos de la sentencia, incluyendo la libertad condicional o provisional.

(b) Ninguna persona que haya sido condenada por homicidio o por un delito sexual grave estará habilitada para votar hasta que se restablezcan sus derechos civiles.

(c) Ninguna persona podrá ser candidata a la reelección para ninguno de los siguientes cargos: (1) Representante de Florida, (2) Senador de Florida, (3) Vicegobernador de Florida, (4) Cualquier cargo del gabinete de Florida, (5) Representante de EE. UU. de Florida, o (6) Senador de EE. UU. de Florida

Si, al término del periodo de su cargo, la persona ha ocupado (o, si no fuera por renuncia, hubiera ocupado) dicho cargo por ocho años consecutivos.

#### TEXTO COMPLETO:

### ARTÍCULO VII FINANZAS Y TRIBUTACIÓN

SECCIÓN 19. Para imponer, autorizar o elevar los impuestos o tasas estatales se requiere una mayoría calificada de votos. — (a) VOTO MAYORITARIO REQUERIDO PARA IMPONER O AUTORIZAR NUEVOS IMPUESTOS O TASAS ESTATALES. Ningún impuesto o tasa estatal pueden ser impuestos o autorizados por el sistema legislativo, a excepción de cuando dos tercios de la membresía de cada casa del sistema legislativo hayan aprobado la legislación y la misma haya sido presentada al Gobernador para su aprobación de acuerdo con lo establecido en el Artículo III, Sección 8.

(b) VOTO MAYORITARIO REQUERIDO PARA AUMENTAR LOS IMPUESTOS O TASAS. Ningún impuesto o tasa estatal pueden ser aumentados por el sistema legislativo, a excepción de cuando dos tercios de la membresía de cada casa del sistema legislativo hayan aprobado la legislación y la misma haya sido presentada al Gobernador para su aprobación de acuerdo con lo establecido en el Artículo III, Sección 8.

(c) APLICABILIDAD. Esta sección no autoriza la imposición de ningún impuesto o tasa estatal que estén prohibidos por la Constitución, y no aplica a ningún impuesto o tasa impuesta por o autorizada para su imposición por un condado, municipalidad, junta escolar o distrito especial.

(d) DEFINICIONES. Conforme serán utilizados en esta sección, los siguientes términos contarán con los siguientes significados: (1) "Tasa" se refiere a cualquier cargo o pago requerido por la ley, incluyendo tasas de servicio, tasas o costos de emisión de licencias, y cargos por servicios.

(2) "Aumento" se refiere a: a. Aumentar o autorizar el aumento en la tasa de un impuesto estatal o una tasa impuesta sobre una base porcentual o por cada mil; b. Aumentar o autorizar el aumento en la cantidad de impuestos o tasas estatales que son calculados sobre una base plana o fija; o c. Disminuir o eliminar una exoneración o crédito sobre un impuesto o tasa estatal.

(e) MATERIA ÚNICA. Los impuestos o tasas estatales impuestos, autorizados o aumentados bajo esta sección deben estar contenidos en una ley separada que no contenga ninguna otra materia.

#### TEXTO COMPLETO:

### ARTÍCULO VIII FINANZAS Y TRIBUTACIÓN

SECCIÓN 19. Para imponer, autorizar o elevar los impuestos o tasas estatales se requiere una mayoría calificada de votos. — (a) VOTO MAYORITARIO REQUERIDO PARA IMPONER O AUTORIZAR NUEVOS IMPUESTOS O TASAS ESTATALES. Ningún impuesto o tasa estatal pueden ser impuestos o autorizados por el sistema legislativo, a excepción de cuando dos tercios de la membresía de cada casa del sistema legislativo hayan aprobado la legislación y la misma haya sido presentada al Gobernador para su aprobación de acuerdo con lo establecido en el Artículo III, Sección 8.

(b) VOTO MAYORITARIO REQUERIDO PARA AUMENTAR LOS IMPUESTOS O TASAS. Ningún impuesto o tasa estatal pueden ser aumentados por el sistema legislativo, a excepción de cuando dos tercios de la membresía de cada casa del sistema legislativo hayan aprobado la legislación y la misma haya sido presentada al Gobernador para su aprobación de acuerdo con lo establecido en el Artículo III, Sección 8.

#### TEXTO COMPLETO:

### ARTÍCULO VIII FINANZAS Y TRIBUTACIÓN

SECCIÓN 19. Para imponer, autorizar o elevar los impuestos o tasas estatales se requiere una mayoría calificada de votos. — (a) VOTO MAYORITARIO REQUERIDO PARA IMPONER O AUTORIZAR NUEVOS IMPUESTOS O TASAS ESTATALES. Ningún impuesto o tasa estatal pueden ser impuestos o autorizados por el sistema legislativo, a excepción de cuando dos tercios de la membresía de cada casa del sistema legislativo hayan aprobado la legislación y la misma haya sido presentada al Gobernador para su aprobación de acuerdo con lo establecido en el Artículo III, Sección 8.

(b) VOTO MAYORITARIO REQUERIDO PARA AUMENTAR LOS IMPUESTOS O TASAS. Ningún impuesto o tasa estatal pueden ser aumentados por el sistema legislativo, a excepción de cuando dos tercios de la membresía de cada casa del sistema legislativo hayan aprobado la legislación y la misma haya sido presentada al Gobernador para su aprobación de acuerdo con lo establecido en el Artículo III, Sección 8.

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(d) DEFINICIONES. Conforme serán utilizados en esta sección, los siguientes términos contarán con los siguientes significados: (1) "Tasa" se refiere a cualquier cargo o pago requerido por la ley, incluyendo tasas de servicio, tasas o costos de emisión de licencias, y cargos por servicios.

(2) "Aumento" se refiere a: a. Aumentar o autorizar el aumento en la tasa de un impuesto estatal o una tasa impuesta sobre una base porcentual o por cada mil; b. Aumentar o autorizar el aumento en la cantidad de impuestos o tasas estatales que son calculados sobre una base plana o fija; o c. Disminuir o eliminar una exoneración o crédito sobre un impuesto o tasa estatal.

(e) MATERIA ÚNICA. Los impuestos o tasas estatales impuestos, autorizados o aumentados bajo esta sección deben estar contenidos en una ley separada que no contenga ninguna otra materia.

#### TEXTO COMPLETO:

### ARTÍCULO IX EDUCACIÓN

SECCIÓN 7. Sistema Universitario Estatal. — (a) PROPÓSITOS. Con el fin de lograr la excelencia a través de la enseñanza de los estudiantes, de avanzar la investigación y de proveer servicios públicos para el beneficio de los ciudadanos de la Florida, sus comunidades y economías, el pueblo de la Florida establece un sistema de gobierno para el sistema universitario del estado de la Florida.

(b) SISTEMA UNIVERSITARIO ESTATAL. Habrá solo un sistema universitario estatal que incluirá todas las universidades públicas. Una junta de fideicomisarios administrará cada universidad pública y una junta de gobernadores gobernará el sistema universitario del estado.

(c) JUNTAS DE FIDEICOMISARIOS LOCALES. Cada universidad constituyente local será administrada por una junta de fideicomisarios constituida por trece miembros dedicados a los fines del sistema universitario estatal. La junta de gobernadores establecerá las facultades y los deberes de la junta de fideicomisarios. Cada junta de fideicomisarios consistirá de seis ciudadanos miembros nombrados por el gobernador y cinco ciudadanos miembros nombrados por la junta de gobernadores. Los miembros nombrados deberán ser confirmados por el Senado y servirán por períodos escalonados de cinco años como provisto por ley. El presidente del senado de la facultad, o su equivalente, y el presidente del cuerpo estudiantil de la universidad también serán miembros.

(d) JUNTA ESTATAL DE GOBERNADORES. La junta de gobernadores será un organismo empresarial consistente de diecisiete miembros. La junta deberá operar, regular, controlar, y ser plenamente responsable por el manejo de todo el sistema universitario. Estas responsabilidades incluyen, sin limitación, la definición de la misión propia de cada universidad constituyente y su articulación con escuelas gratuitas públicas y centros de formación profesional, asegurando la coordinación, buena planificación, y funcionamiento del sistema, y la evitación de la duplicación excesiva de instalaciones o programas. La dirección de la junta estará sujeta a los poderes de la legislatura de asignar los gastos de los fondos, y la junta rendirá cuentas sobre esos gastos conforme a lo previsto por ley. El gobernador nombrará a la junta catorce ciudadanos dedicados a los fines del sistema universitario estatal. Los miembros nombrados deberán ser confirmados por el Senado y servirán términos escalonados de siete años como dispuesto por ley. El comisionado de la educación, el presidente del consejo asesor del senado de la facultad, o su equivalente, y el presidente de la asociación de estudiantes de la Florida, o su equivalente, serán también miembros de la junta.

(e) TARIFAS. Cualquier propuesta o acción de una universidad constituyente para recaudar, imponer o autorizar cualquier tarifa, según lo autoriza la ley, debe ser aprobada por al menos nueve votos afirmativos de los miembros del consejo directivo de la universidad constituyente, en caso de que la aprobación de la junta directiva sea requerida por la ley general, y al menos doce votos afirmativos de los miembros de la junta de gobernadores, en caso de que la ley general exija la aprobación de la junta de gobernadores, para que entre en vigencia. Una tarifa bajo esta subsección no incluirá la matrícula.

SECCIÓN 8. Sistema De Colegios Estatales. — (a) PROPÓSITOS. Con el fin de lograr la excelencia y proporcionar acceso a la educación universitaria a los estudiantes de este estado, de originar caminos articulados para un grado de bachillerato, de garantizar un compromiso superior con la enseñanza y el aprendizaje, y de responder de manera rápida y eficiente a la demanda de las comunidades mediante la alineación de los certificados y programas de grado con las necesidades locales y regionales de la fuerza de trabajo, el pueblo de la Florida, en virtud de este acto, establece un sistema de gobierno para el sistema de colegios estatales de la Florida.

(b) SISTEMA DE COLEGIOS ESTATALES. Habrá un sistema de colegios estatales único compuesto por todos los institutos de formación profesional y colegios estatales públicos. Una junta directiva local deberá gobernar cada institución del sistema de colegios estatales y la junta de educación del estado deberá supervisar el sistema de colegios estatales.

(c) JUNTAS DIRECTIVAS LOCALES. Cada institución del sistema de colegios estatales estará gobernada por una junta directiva local dedicada a los propósitos del sistema de colegios estatales. Un miembro de la junta directiva debe ser residente del área en el cual el colegio preste sus servicios. Los poderes y deberes de las juntas directivas serán provistos por la ley. Cada miembro será designado por el gobernador en términos escalonados de 4 años, sujeto a la confirmación del Senado.

(d) PAPEL DE LA JUNTA DE EDUCACIÓN DEL ESTADO. La junta de educación del estado supervisará el sistema de colegios estatales según lo estipule la ley.

### ARTÍCULO X MISCELANEO

Beneficios para los Sobrevivientes de Miembros de Primeros Auxilios y Miembros Militares. — (a) La agencia empleadora pagará un beneficio por fallecimiento cuando un bombero, un paramédico, un técnico médico de emergencia, un policía, un oficial de correccional, un oficial de libertad condicional, o un miembro de la Guardia Nacional de Florida, mientras participan en el desempeño de sus deberes oficiales, sea: (1) Accidentalmente asesinado o reciba lesiones corporales accidentales que resulten en la pérdida de la vida de la persona, siempre que tal asesinato no sea el resultado de un suicidio y que tal lesión corporal no sea auto infligida intencionalmente; o (2) Muera o sea asesinado ilícita e intencionalmente como resultado de tal acto ilícito e intencional o sea asesinado durante el servicio activo.

(b) Un beneficio por fallecimiento se pagará con fondos provenientes de los ingresos generales cuando un miembro en servicio activo de las Fuerzas Armadas de los Estados Unidos sea: (1) Accidentalmente asesinado o reciba lesiones corporales accidentales que resulten en la pérdida de la vida de la persona, siempre que tal asesinato no sea el resultado de un suicidio y que tal lesión corporal no sea autoinfligida intencionalmente; o (2) Muera o sea asesinado ilícita e intencionalmente como resultado de tal acto ilícito e intencional o sea asesinado durante el servicio activo.

(c) Si un bombero, un paramédico, un técnico médico de emergencia, un policía, un oficial correccional u oficial de libertad condicional, o un miembro de servicio activo de la Guardia Nacional de la Florida o las Fuerzas Armadas de los Estados Unidos es asesinado accidentalmente como se especifica en los párrafos (a)(1) y (b)(1) o asesinado ilícita e intencionalmente según lo especificado en los párrafos (a)(2) y (b)(2), el estado deberá exonerar ciertos gastos educativos que el niño o el cónyuge del miembro de primeros auxilios o militar fallecido incurra al obtener un certificado vocacional, una educación de pregrado o una educación de posgrado.

(d) Un miembro de primeros auxilios elegible debe haber estado trabajando para el Estado de Florida o cualquiera de sus subdivisiones políticas o agencias en el momento de su muerte. Un miembro militar elegible debe haber sido residente de este estado o que su puesto de trabajo haya pertenecido al mismo en el momento de su muerte.

(e) La legislatura implementará esta sección por ley general.

(f) Esta sección entrará en vigencia el 1 de julio de 2019.

### N.º 8 REVISIÓN CONSTITUCIONAL ARTÍCULO IX, SECCIÓN 4, NUEVA SECCIÓN ARTÍCULO XII, NUEVA SECCIÓN

#### TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Límites y Deberes del Término de la Junta Escolar; Escuelas Públicas

#### RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Establece un límite de mandato de ocho años consecutivos para los miembros de la junta escolar y requiere que la Legislatura provea fondos para la promoción de la alfabetización cívica en las escuelas públicas. Actualmente, las juntas escolares del distrito tienen el deber constitucional de operar, controlar y supervisar todas las escuelas públicas. La enmienda mantiene los deberes de una junta escolar a las escuelas públicas que establezca, pero permite que el estado opere, controle y supervise las escuelas públicas no establecidas por la junta escolar.

#### TEXTO COMPLETO:

### ARTÍCULO IX EDUCACIÓN

SECCIÓN 4. Distritos escolares; juntas escolares. — (a) Cada condado constituirá un distrito escolar; sin embargo, dos o más condados contiguos, con el voto de los electores de cada condado conforme a ley, podrán ser combinados en un distrito escolar. En cada distrito escolar habrá una junta escolar compuesta de cinco o más miembros electos por el voto de los electores en una elección no-partidista, para mandatos de cuatro años apropiadamente

(c) Ninguna disposición aquí empleada se considerará como que limita el derecho del Congreso a ejercer su autoridad a través de la ley general para restringir, regular o gravar cualquier actividad de apuestas o juegos. Además, ninguna disposición aquí empleada se interpretará como que limita la capacidad del estado o de las tribus americanas nativas de negociar convenios en materia de juegos de conformidad con la *Federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act* con el fin de realizar apuestas en casinos en tierras tribales, o de afectar las apuestas existentes en tierras tribales de conformidad con los convenios formalizados por el estado y las tribus americanas nativas según establece la IGRA.

(d) La presente sección tiene vigencia una vez aprobada por los votantes, tiene efecto inmediato y no se requiere ninguna implementación legislativa.

(e) Si cualquier parte de la presente sección se considera inválida por cualquier razón, la parte o partes restantes serán separadas de la parte inválida y se les asignará la mayor vigencia posible.

#### TEXTO COMPLETO:

### N.º 4 ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL ARTÍCULO VI, SECCIÓN 4

#### TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Enmienda de Restablecimiento de Derechos al Voto

#### RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

La presente enmienda restablece los derechos de votación de los Floridaños que han sido condenados por delitos graves después de que cumplan todos los términos de su sentencia, lo que incluye la libertad condicional o provisional. La enmienda no regirá para aquellos condenados por homicidio o delitos sexuales, a quienes se les seguirá prohibiendo de manera permanente votar, a menos que el Gobernador y el Gabinete votaran para restablecer sus derechos de votación según cada caso en particular.

#### DECLARACIÓN DE IMPACTO FINANCIERO:

Los efectos precisos de la presente enmienda en los costos del gobierno estatal y local no pueden determinarse. Sin embargo, la vigencia de las leyes actuales de inscripción de votantes, así como el mayor número de personas condenadas por delitos graves que se inscriban para votar, producirá mayores costos generales en relación a los procesos que existen actualmente. El impacto, si lo hubiere, en los ingresos públicos del gobierno estatal y local no puede determinarse. El impacto fiscal de cualquier legislación futura que implemente un proceso distinto no puede determinarse de manera razonable.

#### TEXTO COMPLETO:

Artículo VI, Sección 4. Descalificación. (a) Ninguna persona que haya sido condenada por un delito grave, o que haya sido declarada mentalmente incompetente en este o cualquier otro estado, estará habilitada para votar u ocupar un cargo público hasta que se restablezcan sus derechos civiles o hasta que desaparezca su discapacidad. Salvo según se disponga en la subsección (b) de la presente sección, cualquier descalificación votar que surja a raíz de una condena por delito grave se extinguirá, y los derechos de votación se restablecerán, una vez que se cumplan todos los términos de la sentencia, incluyendo la libertad condicional o provisional.

(b) Ninguna persona que haya sido condenada por homicidio o por un delito sexual grave estará habilitada para votar hasta que se restablezcan sus derechos civiles.

(c) Ninguna persona podrá ser candidata a la reelección para ninguno de los siguientes cargos: (1) Representante de Florida, (2) Senador de Florida, (3) Vicegobernador de Florida, (4) Cualquier cargo del gabinete de Florida, (5) Representante de EE. UU. de Florida, o (6) Senador de EE. UU. de Florida

Si, al término del periodo de su cargo, la persona ha ocupado (o, si no fuera por renuncia, hubiera ocupado) dicho cargo por ocho años consecutivos.

#### TEXTO COMPLE

# Shooting suspect was able to buy guns despite mental illness

**By Michael Biesecker and David Mcfadden**

The Associated Press

BALTIMORE — Even though the suspect in a shooting at a Florida video game tournament had been hospitalized for mental illness, authorities say he was able to legally purchase the two handguns he was carrying at the time of the attack.

David Katz had a 9mm handgun and .45-caliber handgun when he opened fire Sunday at a gaming bar inside a collection of restaurants and shops in Jacksonville. He killed two people and wounded 10 others before fatally shooting himself during the “Madden NFL 19” tournament.

Divorce filings in Maryland from Katz’s parents

say he was twice hospitalized as an adolescent in psychiatric facilities and was prescribed antipsychotic and antidepressant medications.

When buying the weapons, the 24-year-old Baltimore man would have been required by federal law to disclose whether he was ever involuntarily committed to a mental institution.

In addition, in Maryland, where Katz purchased the weapons, state police require gun buyers’ consent for a state health agency to disclose whether they suffer from a mental disorder, have a history of violent behavior or have been confined for more than 30 consecutive days to a mental health facility.

The divorce filings do not clearly indicate

whether Katz was hospitalized voluntarily or involuntarily, and the two hospitalizations described in the documents were both shorter than 30 days.

In addition, Katz’s hospitalizations may have occurred before the Maryland Legislature revamped the state’s firearms laws following the 2007 mass shooting at Virginia Tech. “It appears that these

disqualifications did not apply to David Katz,” said Daniel Webster, director of the Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Policy and Research.

There is no federal requirement for psychiatric hospitals or courts to report involuntary commitments to the FBI for inclusion in the database used for gun-purchase background checks.

esalonados, según lo dispuesto por ley. Una persona no puede aparecer en la boleta para la reelección a la oficina de la junta escolar si, para el final del mandato actual, la persona hubiese servido, o hubiese servido si no fuese por su renuncia, durante ocho años consecutivos.

(b) La junta escolar deberá operar, controlar, y supervisar todas las escuelas gratuitas públicas establecidas por la junta escolar del distrito dentro del distrito escolar y deberá determinar la tasa de impuestos del distrito escolar dentro de los límites establecidos en este documento. Dos o más distritos escolares podrán operar y financiar programas educativos comunes.

**SECCIÓN. Alfabetización cívica.** — Como la educación es esencial para la preservación de los derechos y las libertades de las personas, la legislatura deberá proveer fondos por ley para la promoción de la alfabetización cívica con el fin de garantizar que los estudiantes matriculados en la educación pública comprendan y estén preparados para ejercer sus derechos y responsabilidades como ciudadanos de una república constitucional.

## ARTÍCULO XII

### APÉNDICE

**Limitación del mandato para los miembros de una junta escolar del distrito.** - Esta sección y la enmienda a la Sección 4 del Artículo IX que imponen límites a los términos de los mandatos de los miembros de la junta escolar del distrito entrarán en vigor en la fecha en que sean aprobadas por el electorado, pero ningún servicio en un mandato que comenzó antes del 6 de noviembre de 2018, se contará en contra de la limitación impuesta por esta enmienda.

## N.º 9

### REVISIÓN CONSTITUCIONAL ARTÍCULO II, SECCIÓN 7 ARTÍCULO X, SECCIÓN 20

#### TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Prohibición de la Perforación de Petróleo y Gas en Alta Mar; Prohibición del Fumado de Cigarrillos Electrónicos en Lugares de Trabajo Encerrados.

#### RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Prohíbe la perforación para la exploración o extracción de petróleo y gas natural debajo de todas las aguas estatales entre la línea de media alta y los límites territoriales más alejados del estado. Agrega, con excepciones, el uso de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor a la prohibición actual de consumo de tabaco en lugares de trabajo encerrados; permite ordenanzas locales de vapor más restrictivas.

#### TEXTO COMPLETO:

## ARTÍCULO II

### DISPOSICIONES GENERALES

**SECCIÓN 7. Recursos naturales y belleza escénica.** —

(a) Será la política de este estado conservar y proteger sus recursos naturales y belleza escénica. La ley establecerá disposiciones adecuadas para la reducción de la contaminación del aire y el agua y del ruido excesivo e innecesario y para la conservación y protección de los recursos naturales.

(b) Aquellos en el Área Agrícola de los Everglades que causen contaminación del agua dentro del Área de Protección de los Everglades o el Área Agrícola de los Everglades serán los principales responsables de pagar los costos de la reducción de esa contaminación. Para propósito de esta subsección, los términos “Área Agrícola de los Everglades” y “Área Protegida de los Everglades” tendrán la misma definición como las definiciones contenidas en las leyes en efecto el 1 de enero de 1996.

(c) Para proteger a la población de Florida y su entorno, la perforación para exploración o extracción de petróleo o gas natural está prohibida en tierras debajo de todas las aguas estatales que no se hayan alienado y que se encuentren entre la línea de media alta y los límites exteriores de los mares territoriales del estado. Esta prohibición no aplica al transporte de productos de petróleo y gas producidos fuera de dichas aguas. Esta subsección es autoejecutable.

## ARTÍCULO X

### MISCELÁNEO

**SECCIÓN 20. Lugares de trabajo sin humo o vapor de tabaco.** —

(a) **PROHIBICIÓN.** Como una iniciativa de salud para proteger a las personas de los riesgos de salud del humo y del vapor de tabaco de segunda mano, el consumo de tabaco y el uso de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor están prohibidos este prohíbe en lugares de trabajo encerrados dentro del estado de Florida. Esta sección no excluye la adopción de ordenanzas que impongan una regulación más restrictiva sobre el uso de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor que la proporcionada en esta sección.

(b) **EXCEPCIONES.** Como se explica en las definiciones siguientes, se puede permitir el consumo de tabaco y el uso de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor en residencias privadas siempre que no se utilicen comercialmente para proporcionar cuidado infantil, cuidado de adultos, atención médica, o cualquier combinación de los mismos; y, además, puede permitirse en tiendas minoristas de tabaco, minoristas de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor, habitaciones designadas para fumadores en hoteles y otros establecimientos públicos de alojamiento; y en bares independientes. Sin embargo, nada en esta sección o en su legislación de aplicación o reglamentos, le prohíbe al propietario, arrendatario u otra persona en el control de la utilización de un lugar de trabajo encerrado el derecho de imponer prohibiciones o limitaciones más estrictas con respecto a fumar o usar dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor en el lugar.

(c) **DEFINICIONES.** A los fines de esta sección, las siguientes palabras y términos tendrán los significados indicados:

- (1) “Fumar” significa inhalar, exhalar, quemar, transportar o poseer cualquier producto de tabaco encendido, incluidos cigarrillos, habanos, tabaco para pipa y cualquier otro producto de tabaco encendido.
- (2) “Humo de segunda mano”, también conocido como humo de tabaco ambiental (HTA), significa humo emitido por el tabaco encendido, humeante o en combustión cuando el fumador no está inhalando; humo emitido en la boquilla durante el soplo; y humo exhalado por el fumador.
- (3) “Trabajo” significa cualquier empleo o servicio de empleo proveído por una persona a petición de otra persona o personas o de cualquier entidad pública o privada, ya sea pago o no, ya sea a tiempo completo o parcial, ya sea legal o no. “Trabajo” incluye, sin limitaciones, cualquier servicio realizado por un empleado, contratista independiente, agente, socio, propietario, gerente, funcionario, director, aprendiz, pasante, asociado, servidor, voluntario y similares.
- (4) “Lugar de trabajo encerrado” significa cualquier lugar donde una o más personas se dediquen al trabajo, cuyo espacio esté predominantemente o totalmente delimitado por barreras físicas en todos los lados y por encima, independientemente de si tales barreras constituyen o incluyen aberturas descubiertas, aberturas parcialmente cubiertas o con pantallas; ventanas abiertas o cerradas, persianas, puertas o similares. Esta sección aplica a todos los lugares de trabajo encerrados sin importar si el trabajo se está produciendo en un momento dado.
- (5) El uso “Comercial” de una residencia privada significa cualquier período durante el cual el propietario, arrendatario u otra persona que ocupe o controle el uso de la residencia privada esté suministrando o permitiendo que se suministre: cuidado de niños, cuidado de adultos mayores, atención médica, o cualquier combinación de los mismos en la residencia privada, y que reciba o espere recibir una compensación por ello.
- (6) “Tienda minorista de tabaco” significa cualquier lugar de trabajo encerrado dedicado principalmente a la venta al por menor de tabaco, productos de tabaco y accesorios para tales productos, en el cual la venta de otros productos o servicios sea meramente incidental.
- (7) “Habitaciones designadas para fumadores en establecimientos públicos de alojamiento” significa los dormitorios y áreas privadas directamente asociadas, tales como baños, salas de estar y áreas de cocina, si las hay, alquiladas a huéspedes para su ocupación transitoria exclusiva en establecimientos públicos de alojamiento, incluyendo hoteles, motels, condominios de resorts, apartamentos transitorios, establecimientos de alojamiento transitorio, casas de hospedaje, pensiones, viviendas de complejos turísticos, posadas de alojamiento y desayuno y similares; que sean designadas por la persona o personas que tienen autoridad de gestión sobre el establecimiento de alojamiento público como habitaciones en las que se permite fumar.
- (8) “Bar independiente” se refiere a un lugar de negocios dedicado, durante cualquier momento de su operación, en mayor parte o totalmente a servir bebidas alcohólicas, bebidas embriagantes, licores embriagantes, o cualquier combinación de los mismos para su consumo en las instalaciones autorizadas; en el cual el servicio de alimentos, si lo hay, es meramente secundario al consumo de tales bebidas; y que no se encuentra dentro, ni comparte, cualquier entrada o área interior común con ningún otro lugar de trabajo encerrado que incluya cualquier negocio para el cual la venta de alimentos o cualquier otro producto o servicio sea más que una fuente incidental de ingresos brutos.
- (9) “Dispositivo electrónico generador de vapor” significa cualquier producto que emplee un medio electrónico, químico o mecánico capaz de producir vapor o aerosol a partir de un producto de nicotina o cualquier otra sustancia, incluidos, entre otros, un cigarrillo electrónico, cigarro electrónico, pipa electrónica u otro dispositivo o producto similar, cualquier cartucho de recambio para dicho dispositivo y cualquier otro recipiente de una solución u otra sustancia destinada a ser utilizada con o dentro de un cigarrillo electrónico, cigarro electrónico, pipa electrónica u otro dispositivo o producto similar.
- (10) “Minorista de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor” se refiere a cualquier lugar de trabajo encerrado dedicado principalmente a la venta al por menor de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor, y componentes y accesorios para tales productos, en el que la venta de otros productos o servicios sea meramente incidental.
- (d) **LEGISLACIÓN.** En la próxima sesión legislativa regular que se produzca después de la aprobación de esta sección o cualquier enmienda a esta sección enmienda por parte de los votantes, la Legislatura de Florida aprobará legislación para implementar esta sección y cualquier enmienda a esta sección enmienda de una manera consistente con su objetivo general y términos establecidos, y con una fecha de vigencia a más tardar del 1 de julio del año siguiente de la aprobación de los votantes. Dicha legislación deberá incluir, sin limitaciones, sanciones civiles por violaciones de esta sección; disposiciones para la aplicación de medidas administrativas; y el requisito y autorización de las reglas de la agencia para su implementación y cumplimiento. Esta sección no ~~debe de~~ contiene le prohíbe a la Legislatura promulgar una ley que constituya o que permita una regulación más restrictiva sobre el consumo de tabaco y el uso de dispositivos electrónicos generadores de vapor que la proporcionada en esta sección.

## N.º 10

### REVISIÓN CONSTITUCIONAL ARTÍCULO III, SECCIÓN 3 ARTÍCULO IV, SECCIONES 4 Y 11 ARTÍCULO VIII, SECCIONES 1 Y 6

#### TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Estructura y Operación del Gobierno Estatal y Local

#### RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Requiere legislatura para conservar el Departamento de Asuntos de Veteranos. Asegura la elección de alguaciles, tasadores de propiedad, supervisores de elecciones, recaudadores de impuestos y secretarios de tribunal en todos los condados; elimina la capacidad de los estatutos del condado para abolir, cambiar el mandato, transferir deberes o eliminar la elección de estas oficinas. Cambia la fecha de inicio de la sesión legislativa anual en los años pares de marzo a enero; elimina la autorización de la legislatura para fijar otra fecha. Crea una oficina de seguridad nacional y contraterroismo dentro del departamento de aplicación de la ley.

#### TEXTO COMPLETO:

## ARTÍCULO III

### LEGISLATURA

**SECCIÓN 3. Sesiones de la legislatura.** —

(a) **SESIONES DE ORGANIZACIÓN.** En el decimocuarto día después de cada elección general, la Legislatura se convocará en sesión con el propósito exclusivo de la organización y selección de oficiales.

(b) **SESIONES REGULARES.** Una sesión regular de la legislatura se convocará el primer martes después del primer lunes de marzo de cada año impar, y en el segundo primer martes después del primer lunes de enero marzo, o en cualquier otra fecha que pueda ser fijada por ley, de cada año par.

(c) **SESIONES ESPECIALES.**

(1) El gobernador, mediante una proclamación que declare el propósito, podrá convocar a la legislatura en sesión especial, durante la cual sólo se tratará actividad legislativa que sea relevante a la proclamación, o a una comunicación del gobernador, o que se introduzca con el consentimiento de dos tercios de los miembros de cada cámara.

(2) Una sesión especial de la legislatura podrá ser convocada según sea dispuesto por ley.

(d) **DURACIÓN DE LAS SESIONES.** Una sesión regular de la legislatura no podrá durar más de sesenta días consecutivos, y una sesión especial no durará más de veinte días consecutivos, a menos de que sea extendida más allá de ese límite por un voto de tres quintas partes de cada cámara. Durante dicha extensión ningún asunto nuevo podrá ser tratado en ninguna de las cámaras sin el

consentimiento de dos tercios de sus miembros.

(e) **POSTERIZACIÓN.** Ninguna de las cámaras podrá postergarse por más de setenta y dos horas consecutivas, a menos que sea en virtud de una resolución concurrente.

(f) **POSTERIZACIÓN POR EL GOBERNADOR.** Si durante alguna sesión regular o especial las dos cámaras no pueden acordar sobre el tiempo de posterización, el gobernador podrá postergar la sesión sine die o a cualquier fecha durante el período autorizado para esas sesiones, siempre y cuando, por lo menos veinticuatro horas antes de postergar la sesión y mientras ninguna cámara esté en receso, cada cámara reciba aviso formal y por escrito de la intención del gobernador. Un acuerdo alcanzado por ambas cámaras acerca del momento de posterización durante ese período deberá prevalecer.

## ARTÍCULO IV

### EJECUTIVO

#### SECCIÓN 4. Gabinete.

- (a) Existirá un gabinete compuesto de un fiscal general, un jefe financiero, y un comisionado de agricultura. En adición a los poderes y deberes especificados aquí, podrán ejercer tales poderes y desempeñar tales deberes como pueda ser provisto por ley. En caso de una votación empate entre el gobernador y el gabinete, el lado en cuál el gobernador votó a favor se considerará prevaleciente.
- (b) El fiscal general deberá ser el jefe legal estatal. Será creada en la oficina del fiscal general la posición de fiscal del estado. El fiscal del estado tendrá jurisdicción concurrente con los abogados del estado para procesar la violación de leyes criminales que han o hayan ocurrido en dos o más circuitos judiciales como parte de una transacción relacionada, o cuando cualquier tal delito esté afectando o haya afectado a dos o más circuitos judiciales tal y como provisto por ley general. El fiscal del estado será nombrado por el fiscal general de entre no menos de tres personas nominadas por la comisión de nominaciones judiciales para la Corte Suprema, o como sea provisto por ley general.
- (c) El director de finanzas servirá como el principal funcionario financiero del estado, saldará y aprobará cuentas debidas por el estado, y almacenará todos los fondos y valores del estado.
- (d) El comisionado de agricultura tendrá supervisión sobre asuntos relacionados con la agricultura excepto cuando sea provisto de lo contrario por ley.
- (e) El gobernador como presidente, el director de finanzas, y el fiscal general constituirán la junta estatal de administración, la cual asumirá todo el poder, control, y autoridad de la junta estatal de administración establecida por el Artículo IX, Sección 16, de la Constitución de 1885, y la cual continuará como entidad por lo menos durante la vida del Artículo XII, Sección 9(c). El gobernador como presidente, el director de finanzas, el fiscal general, y el comisionado de agricultura constituirán los administradores fiduciarios del fideicomiso de mejora interna y del fideicomiso de adquisición de tierras como provisto por ley.
- (g) El gobernador como presidente, el director de finanzas, el fiscal general, y el comisionado de agricultura constituyen la directiva de agencia del Departamento de Investigaciones Criminales. La Oficina de Seguridad Doméstica y Contraterroismo se crea dentro del Departamento de Aplicación de la Ley. La Oficina de Seguridad Doméstica y Contraterroismo proporcionará apoyo a los fiscales y agencias de aplicación de la ley federal, estatal y local que investiguen o analicen información relacionada con intentos y actos de terrorismo o que sancionen el terrorismo, y realizará cualquier otro cometido que establezca la ley.
- SECCIÓN 11. Departamento de Asuntos Veteranos de Veteranos.** La Legislatura, por ley general, deberá organizar, podrá organizar la creación de un Departamento de Asuntos Veteranos de Veteranos y prescribir sus deberes. La directiva del departamento son el gobernador y el gabinete.

## ARTÍCULO VIII

### GOBIERNO LOCAL

#### SECCIÓN 1. Condados.

- (a) **SUBDIVISIONES POLÍTICAS.** El estado se dividirá, por ley, en subdivisiones políticas llamadas condados. Los Condados podrán ser creados, abolidos o cambiados por ley, con provisiones para el pago o repartición de la deuda pública.
- (b) **FONDOS DEL CONDADO.** El cuidado, custodia y método de distribuir los fondos del condado será provisto por ley general.
- (c) **GOBIERNO.** Mediante ley general o especial, un gobierno del condado podrá ser establecido por carta orgánica la cual se adoptará, enmendará, o revocará sólo con el voto de los electores del condado en una elección especial convocada para ese propósito.
- (d) **OFICIALES DEL CONDADO.** Serán electos por los electores de cada condado, por términos de cuatro años, un alguacil, un recaudador de impuestos, un tasador de propiedades, un supervisor de elecciones, y un secretario de la corte de circuito; excepto que, cuando lo disponga la carta orgánica o una ley especial aprobada por el voto de los electores del condado, cualquier funcionario del condado puede ser elegido de otra manera que esté especificada en ella, o cualquier oficina del condado puede ser abolida cuando todos los deberes de la oficina prescritos por ley general sean transferidos a otra oficina. A menos que cuando no por ley especial aprobada por la carta orgánica o voto de los electores o de conformidad con el Artículo V, Sección 16, disponga lo contrario, el secretario de la corte de circuito será secretario ex officio de la junta de comisionados del condado, auditor, registrador y custodio de todos los fondos del condado.  Sin perjuicio de la subsección 6(e) de este artículo, la carta del condado no puede abolir la oficina de un alguacil, un recaudador de impuestos, un tasador de propiedades, un supervisor de elecciones o un secretario del tribunal de circuito; transferir los deberes de esos oficiales a otro oficial u oficina; cambiar la duración del mandato de cuatro años; o establecer cualquier forma de selección que no sea por elección de los electores del condado.
- (e) **COMISIONADOS.** Excepto cuando sea previsto de otra manera por la carta orgánica del condado, el cuerpo gobernante de cada condado será una junta de comisionados del condado compuesto de cinco o siete miembros sirviendo términos escalonados de cuatro años. Después de cada censo decenal el cuerpo de comisionados del condado dividirá el condado en distritos de territorio contiguos lo más iguales en población posible. Un comisionado residiendo en cada distrito será electo como previsto por ley.
- (f) **GOBIERNO SIN CARTA ORGÁNICA.** Condados que no operen bajo cartas orgánicas tendrán tal poder de autogobierno como sea previsto por ley general o especial. La junta de comisionados de un condado sin carta orgánica podrá promulgar, en manera prescrita por ley general, ordenanzas de condado que no sean inconsistentes con ley general o especial, pero una ordenanza en conflicto con una ordenanza municipal será no válida dentro del municipio en medida de tal conflicto.
- (g) **GOBIERNO DE CARTA ORGÁNICA.** Condados actuando bajo cartas orgánicas de condados tendrán todos los poderes de autogobierno local que no sean inconsistentes con ley general, o con ley especial aprobada por voto de los electores. El cuerpo gobernante de un condado actuando bajo una carta orgánica podrá promulgar ordenanzas del condado no inconsistentes con ley general. La carta orgánica proporcionará aquello que deba prevalecer en caso de conflicto entre ordenanzas del condado y ordenanzas municipales.
- (h) **IMPUESTOS; LIMITACIONES.** Propiedad situada dentro de municipios no será sujeta a impuestos por servicios provistos por el condado exclusivamente para beneficio de la propiedad o de los residentes en áreas no incorporadas.
- (i) **ORDENANZAS DEL CONDADO.** Cada ordenanza del condado se archivará con el custodio de los registros estatales y entrará en vigor a tal tiempo de allí en adelante como sea previsto por ley general.
- (j) **VIOLACIÓN DE ORDENANZAS.** Personas que violen las ordenanzas del condado serán procesadas y castigadas según lo dispuesto por la ley.
- (k) **SEDE DEL CONDADO.** En cada condado habrá una sede del condado donde estarán localizadas las oficinas principales y registros permanentes de todos los oficiales del condado. La sede del condado no podrá ser movida excepto sea previsto por ley general. Oficinas sucursales para conducir asuntos del condado podrán ser establecidas en otras partes del condado por resolución del cuerpo gobernante en la manera prescrita por ley. Ningún instrumento se considerará registrado hasta que sea archivado en la sede del condado, o en una oficina sucursal designada por el cuerpo gobernante del condado para el registro de instrumentos de acuerdo con la ley.

#### SECCIÓN 6. Anexo al Artículo VIII.

- (a) Este artículo reemplazará todo el Artículo VIII de la Constitución de 1885, como fue enmendada, excepto aquellas secciones reténidas expresamente y hechas parte de este artículo por referencia.
- (b) **CONDADOS; SEDE DE CONDADO; MUNICIPIOS; DISTRITOS.** El estado de los siguientes puntos, tal y como existan en la fecha en que este artículo tome efecto, es reconocido y será prolongado hasta que se cambie de acuerdo con la ley: los condados de vezado; su condición con respecto a la legalidad de la venta de licores intoxicantes, vinos y cervezas; el método de selección de los oficiales del condado; el desempeño de funciones municipales por oficiales del condado; las sedes de los condados; los municipios y distritos especiales del estado, sus poderes, jurisdicción y gobierno.
- (c) **OFICIALES A CONTINUAR EN EL CARGO.** Toda persona que ocupe un cargo cuando este artículo tome efecto continuará en el cargo por el resto de su término si dicho cargo no es abolido. Si el cargo es abolido, al titular del cargo le será pagada una compensación adecuada, la cual será fijada por ley, por la pérdida de emolumentos del resto del término.
- (d) **ORDENANZAS.** Las leyes locales relacionadas solamente con áreas no incorporadas del condado que estén en existencia en la fecha en que este artículo tome efecto podrán ser enmendadas o derogadas por ordenanza del condado.
- (e) **CONSOLIDACIÓN Y AUTONOMÍA DEL GOBIERNO LOCAL.** El Artículo VIII, Secciones 9, 10, 11 y 24, de la Constitución de 1885, según enmendada, permanecerá en plena vigencia y efecto en cuanto a cada condado afectado, como si este artículo nunca hubiera sido adoptado, hasta que aquel condado adopte expresamente una carta orgánica o plan de autonomía gubernamental mediante este artículo. Todas las provisiones de “La Carta Orgánica de Autonomía Gubernamental del Condado de Dade”, adoptadas hasta ahora o de aquí en adelante por los electores del Condado de Dade, en conformidad con el Artículo VIII, Sección 11, de la Constitución de 1885, según enmendada, serán válidas, y cualquier enmienda a tal carta orgánica será válida; siempre y cuando dichas provisiones de la carta orgánica y dichas enmiendas a la misma sean autorizadas bajo dicho Artículo VIII, Sección 11, de la Constitución de 1885, según enmendada.
- (f) **CONDADO DE DADE; PODERES CONFERIDOS SOBRE MUNICIPIOS.** En la medida en que no sea inconsistente con los poderes de municipios existentes o ley general, El Gobierno Metropolitano del Condado de Dade podrá ejercer todos los poderes conferidos ahora o de aquí en adelante por ley general a los municipios.
- (g) **SELECCIÓN Y OBLIGACIONES DE LOS OFICIALES DEL CONDADO.** —
- (1) Salvo lo dispuesto en esta subsección, la enmienda a la Sección 1 de este artículo, relacionada con la selección y obligaciones de los funcionarios del condado, entrará en vigencia el 5 de enero de 2021, pero regirá con respecto a la calificación y la celebración de las elecciones primarias y generales para oficiales constitucionales del condado en 2020.
- (2) Para el Condado de Miami-Dade y el Condado de Broward, la enmienda a la Sección 1 de este artículo, relacionada con la selección y obligaciones de los oficiales del condado, entrará en vigencia el 7 de enero de 2025, pero regirá con respecto a la calificación y la celebración de las elecciones primarias y generales para oficiales constitucionales del condado en 2024.
- (h)(g) **SUPRESIÓN DE ARTICULOS OBSOLETOS DEL APÉNDICE.** La legislatura tendrá el poder, a través de resolución conjunta, de borrar de este artículo cualquier subsección de esta Sección 6, incluyendo esta subsección, cuando todos los eventos a los cuales la subsección que será borrada es o podría ser aplicable hayan ocurrido. Una determinación legislativa hecha como base para la aplicación de esta subsección deberá ser sujeta a revisión judicial.

## N.º 11

### REVISIÓN CONSTITUCIONAL ARTÍCULO 1, SECCIÓN 2 ARTÍCULO X, SECCIONES 9 Y 19

#### TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Derechos de Propiedad; Eliminación de la Disposición Obsoleta; Estatutos Criminales

#### RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Elimina el lenguaje discriminatorio relacionado con los derechos de propiedades determinadas. Elimina el lenguaje obsoleto derogado por los votantes. Elimina la disposición de que la enmienda de un estatuto penal no afectará el enjuiciamiento o las sanciones para un delito cometido antes de la enmienda, retiene la disposición actual que permite el enjuiciamiento de un delito cometido antes de la derogación de un estatuto penal.

#### TEXTO COMPLETO:

## ARTÍCULO I

### DECLARACIÓN DE DERECHOS

**SECCIÓN 2. Derechos básicos.**—Todas las personas natos, tanto mujeres como hombres, son iguales ante la ley y tienen derechos inalienables, entre los que se encuentran el derecho a disfrutar y a defender la vida y la libertad, a buscar la felicidad, a ser recompensados por la industria y a adquirir, poseer y proteger propiedad; excepto que la posesión, la herencia, la disposición y la posesión de propiedades determinadas por parte de extranjeros no elegibles para la ciudadanía puede estar regulada o prohibida por la ley. Ninguna persona será privada de ningún derecho debido a su raza, religión, origen nacional o discapacidad física.

## ARTÍCULO X

## MISCELÁNEO

**SECCIÓN 9. Derogación de los estatutos penales.** —La derogación e enmienda de una ley penal no afectará el enjuiciamiento o castigo por cualquier delito cometido previamente antes de dicha derogación.

**SECCIÓN 19. Derogada Sistema de transporte terrestre de alta velocidad.** —Para reducir la congestión del tráfico y proporcionar alternativas al público que viaje, se declara de interés público que un sistema de transporte terrestre de alta velocidad compuesto por un monorraíl, línea ferroviaria o sistema de levitación magnética, capaz de alcanzar velocidades superiores a 120 millas por hora, sea desarrollado y operado en el Estado de Florida con el fin de proporcionar transporte terrestre de alta velocidad mediante tecnologías innovadoras, eficientes y efectivas que incorpore rieles o carriles separados del tráfico de vehículos automotores y enlacen las cinco áreas urbanas más grandes del Estado según lo determinado por la Legislatura, y de proporcionar acceso a las instalaciones y servicios de transporte terrestre y aéreo ya existentes. Se ordena a la Legislatura, al Gabinete y al Gobernador a proceder con el desarrollo de dicho sistema por parte del Estado y/o de una entidad privada en conformidad con la aprobación y autorización del Estado, incluida la adquisición de los derechos de vía, el financiamiento del diseño y la construcción de este sistema, y la operación del sistema, como provisto por apropiación específica y por ley, con la construcción para comenzar el día 1 de noviembre de 2009 o antes de esa fecha.

## N.º 12

### REVISIÓN CONSTITUCIONAL ARTÍCULO II, SECCIÓN 8 ARTÍCULO V, SECCIÓN 13 ARTÍCULO XII, NUEVA SECCIÓN

#### TÍTULO DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Calibdeo y Abuso de Poder por parte de Funcionarios Públicos

#### RESUMEN DE LA PAPELETA DE VOTACIÓN:

Expande las restricciones actuales sobre el calibdeo para obtener compensación por parte de funcionarios públicos; crea restricciones al calibdeo por compensación para funcionarios públicos en servicio y ex magistrados y jueces; proporciona excepciones; prohíbe el abuso de un cargo público por parte de funcionarios públicos y empleados para obtener un beneficio personal.

#### TEXTO COMPLETO:

## ARTÍCULO II

### PROVISIONES GENERALES

- SECCIÓN 8. Ética en el gobierno.** — Una oficina pública constituye un fondo público. El pueblo tiene el derecho de proteger y sostener ese fondo contra el abuso. Para asegurar este derecho:
- (a) Todo funcionario constitucional electo, los candidatos para tales cargos, y otros funcionarios públicos, candidatos, y empleados, deberán presentar pública y completamente las revelaciones de sus intereses financieros cuando sea dispuesto por ley.
- (b) Todos los funcionarios públicos electos y candidatos para tales cargos deberán presentar pública y completamente las revelaciones de las finanzas de sus campañas.
- (c) Cualquier funcionario público o empleado que viole el fondo público para obtener beneficios privados y cualquier persona o entidad que induzca tal infracción deberá responder al estado por todos los beneficios económicos obtenidos por sus acciones. El modo de recuperación y daños adicionales pueden ser previstos por ley.
- (d) Cualquier funcionario público o empleado que haya sido condenado por un delito grave por violar el fondo público estará sujeto a perder sus derechos y privilegios bajo el sistema de retiro público o plan de pensión en la manera en que pueda ser provisto por ley.
- (e) Ningún miembro de la legislatura u oficial estatal electo podrá representar bajo pago a otra persona o entidad ante una agencia o cuerpo gubernamental del cual el individuo fue funcionario o miembro por un período de dos años después de vacar su cargo. Ningún miembro de la legislatura personalmente representará bajo pago a otra persona o entidad durante el plazo de su cargo ante cualquier agencia estatal que no sea un tribunal judicial. Restricciones similares contra otros funcionarios públicos o empleados podrán ser establecidas por ley.
- (f) (1) Para los fines de esta subsección, el término “funcionario público” significa un funcionario, electo estatal, un miembro de la legislatura, un comisionado del condado, un funcionario del condado de conformidad con el Artículo VIII o con el estatuto del condado, un miembro de la junta escolar, un superintendente de escuelas, un funcionario municipal electo, un oficial de distrito especial elegido en un distrito especial con autoridad tributaria ad valorem, o una persona que sirva como secretaria, directora ejecutiva u otra agencia jefe de departamento de la rama ejecutiva del gobierno del estado. (2) Un funcionario público no calificará para obtener compensación sobre asuntos de política, asignaciones o adquisiciones ante el gobierno federal, la legislatura, cualquier agencia u organismo del gobierno estatal o cualquier subdivisión política de este estado, durante su mandato. (3) Un funcionario público no calificará para que se le pague una indemnización en asuntos de políticas, asignaciones o adquisiciones durante un período de seis años después de que su cargo público sea vacante, como se indica a continuación:
- (a) Un funcionario electo a nivel estatal o un miembro de la legislatura no calificará a la legislatura ni a ningún organismo o agencia del gobierno estatal.
- (b) Una persona que se desempeñe como secretaria, directora ejecutiva u otro jefe de agencia de departamento de la rama ejecutiva del gobierno estatal no calificará a la legislatura, al gobernador, a la oficina ejecutiva del gobernador, a los miembros del gabinete, a ningún departamento que sea encabezado por un miembro del gabinete, o a su departamento anterior.
- (c) Un comisionado del condado, un funcionario del condado de conformidad con el Artículo VIII, o el estatuto del condado, un miembro del consejo escolar, un superintendente de escuelas, un funcionario municipal electo o un funcionario del distrito especial elegido en un distrito especial con autoridad tributaria ad valorem no calificará a su antigua agencia u organismo de gobierno.
- (4) Esta subsección no se interpretará como que prohíbe a un funcionario público llevar a cabo los deberes de su cargo público.
- (5) La legislatura podrá promulgar legislación para implementar esta subsección, que incluya, entre otras cosas, la definición de términos y la imposición de sanciones por violaciones. Dicha ley no deberá contener disposiciones sobre ningún otro tema.
- (g)(f) Habrá una comisión independiente para conducir investigaciones e hacer reportes públicos sobre todas las denuncias concernientes a infracciones contra el fondo público por funcionarios públicos o empleados no dentro de la jurisdicción de la comisión de calificaciones judiciales.
- (h)(1)(g) Un Código de Ética para todos los empleados estatales y funcionarios no judiciales que prohíba conflicto entre cargos públicos e intereses privados será provisto por ley.
- (2) Un funcionario o empleado público no deberá abusar de su posición pública para obtener un beneficio desproporcionado para sí mismo, su cónyuge, hijos o empleador, o para cualquier negocio con el que contrate; en el que él o ella sea un oficial, un socio, un director o un propietario; o en el que posea algún interés. La Comisión de Ética de Florida deberá, por norma de conformidad con los procedimientos legales que rigen la reglamentación administrativa, definir el término “beneficio desproporcionado” y prescribir la intención requerida para encontrar una violación de esta prohibición a los efectos de hacer cumplir este párrafo. Las penalizaciones apropiadas serán prescritas por ley.
- (h)(h) Esta sección no se interpretará para limitar revelaciones y prohibiciones que puedan ser establecidas para preservar el bien público y evitar conflictos entre las funciones públicas y los intereses privados.
- (i)(f) Apéndice. —En la fecha en que esta enmienda sea efectiva y hasta que sea cambiada por ley: (1) La revelación pública y completa de intereses financieros significará presentar con el custodio de los registros estatales antes del 1 de julio de cada año una declaración jurada mostrando el patrimonio completo e identificando cada activo y deuda de más de \$1000 y su valor junto con uno de los siguientes:
- (a) Una copia de la declaración federal de impuestos sobre ingresos más reciente de la persona; o
- (b) Una declaración jurada que identifique cada fuente y cantidad de ingreso que supere los \$1000. Los formularios para tal declaración y las reglas bajo las cuales serán archivados serán prescritos por la comisión independiente establecida en subsección (g) (f), y tales reglas incluirán la declaración de fuentes secundarias de ingresos.
- (2) Personas ocupando cargos estatales electos también deberán presentar revelaciones de sus intereses financieros de acuerdo con el párrafo (1) la subsección (f)(f).
- (3) La comisión independiente establecida en subsección (g) (f) será la Comisión de Ética de la Florida.

## ARTÍCULO V

### PODER JUDICIAL

#### SECCIÓN 13 Ética en el Poder Judicial, Actividades Prohibidas.

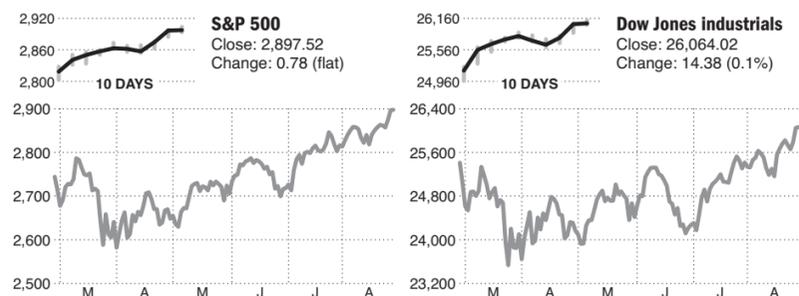
- Todos los jueces se dedicarán a tiempo completo a sus funciones judiciales. Un magistrado o juez Estes no podrá participar en el ejercicio de la abogacía o desempeñar cargos en ningún partido político.
- (b) Un ex magistrado o ex juez no calificará para obtener compensación sobre asuntos de política, asignaciones o adquisiciones ante las ramas legislativas o ejecutivas del gobierno estatal por un período de seis años después de que él o ella desocupe su puesto judicial. La legislatura puede promulgar legislación para implementar esta subsección, que incluya, entre otros, la definición de términos y la imposición de sanciones por violaciones. Dicha ley no deberá contener disposiciones sobre ningún otro tema.

## ARTÍCULO XII

### APÉNDICE

**Prohibiciones respecto al cal**

# BUSINESS



## StocksRecap

	NYSE	NASD	DOW	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE	CHG.	%CHG.	YTD
Vol. (in mil.)	2,629	1,928	DOW	26122.24	26037.85	26064.02	+14.38	+0.06%	+5.44%
Pvs. Volume	2,796	2,268	DOW Trans.	11475.74	11380.91	11390.58	-22.19	-0.19%	+7.33%
Advanced	1310	1399	DOW Util.	728.49	723.81	725.71	-1.50	-0.21%	+0.32%
Declined	1456	1438	NYSE Comp.	13130.50	13075.14	13084.81	-17.22	-0.13%	+2.15%
New Highs	105	143	NASDAQ	8046.31	8009.59	8030.04	+12.14	+0.15%	+16.32%
New Lows	28	34	S&P 500	2903.77	2893.50	2897.52	+0.78	+0.03%	+8.37%
			S&P 400	2050.15	2036.42	2043.94	-0.12	-0.01%	+7.54%
			Wilshire 5000	30271.17	30149.04	30201.93	-20.50	-0.07%	+8.66%
			Russell 2000	1733.45	1722.36	1728.42	+0.01	...	+12.56%

## Stocks of Local Interest

NAME	TICKER	52-WK RANGE	LO	HI	CLOSE	CHG	%CHG	WK	MO	QTR	YTD	1YR	P/E	DIV
AT&T Inc	T	30.13	30.13	39.80	32.67	-16	-0.5	▲	▲	▲	-16.0	-8.3	6	2.00
Advance Auto Parts	AAP	78.81	78.81	165.07	162.10	+12	+0.1	▼	▲	▲	+62.6	+69.3	29	0.24
Amer Express	AXP	84.02	84.02	107.33	107.28	+23	+0.2	▲	▲	▲	+8.0	+26.9	16	1.40
AutoNation Inc	AN	41.70	41.70	62.02	46.42	+22	+0.5	▲	▼	▼	-9.6	+7.7	12	...
Brown & Brown	BRO	22.23	22.23	30.64	30.12	-16	-0.5	▼	▲	▲	...	+38.1	28	0.30
CocaCola Co	KO	41.45	41.45	48.62	45.37	-32	-0.7	▼	▼	▲	-1.1	+3.6	86	1.56
Comcast Corp A	CMCSA	30.43	30.43	44.00	36.35	-08	-0.2	▼	▲	▲	-8.9	-7.7	17	0.76
Darden Rest	DRI	76.27	76.27	115.31	114.98	+10	+1.0	▲	▲	▲	+19.7	+39.2	24	3.00f
Disney	DIS	96.20	96.20	117.90	112.58	+25	+0.2	▲	▼	▲	+4.7	+11.3	16	1.68
Gen Electric	GE	11.94	11.94	25.30	12.76	-01	-0.1	▲	▼	▼	-27.0	-45.4	dd	0.48
General Mills	GIS	41.01	41.01	60.69	45.38	-49	-1.1	▼	▼	▲	-23.5	-13.1	10	1.96
Harris Corp	HRS	120.28	120.28	170.54	164.66	+18	+0.1	▲	▼	▲	+16.2	+39.4	29	2.74f
Home Depot	HD	149.03	149.03	207.61	201.97	-01	...	▲	▲	▲	+6.6	+37.5	26	4.12
IBM	IBM	137.45	137.45	171.13	146.59	-10	-0.1	▲	▲	▲	-4.5	+6.3	11	6.28f
Lowes Cos	LOW	73.28	73.28	109.80	108.27	+130	+1.2	▲	▲	▲	+16.5	+48.2	23	1.92f
NY Times	NYT	16.95	16.95	26.85	23.95	+20	+0.8	▲	▲	▼	+29.5	+31.0	cc	0.16
NextEra Energy	NEE	144.70	144.70	175.65	170.56	-90	-0.5	▼	▲	▲	+9.2	+16.4	13	4.44
PepsiCo	PEP	95.94	95.94	122.51	111.17	-124	-1.1	▼	▼	▲	-7.3	-0.1	35	3.71
Suntrust Bks	STI	51.96	51.96	75.08	74.67	-04	-0.1	▲	▲	▲	+15.6	+35.3	14	2.00f
Walmart Strs	WMT	77.50	77.50	109.98	96.07	+153	+1.6	▲	▲	▲	-2.7	+22.9	23	2.08f
Xerox Corp	XRX	23.52	23.52	37.42	27.64	-05	-0.2	▲	▲	▲	-5.2	-11.1	35	1.00

## NICOSIA, CYPRUS Cyprus' top bank says bad loan sale 'biggest ever'

Cyprus' biggest lender, the Bank of Cyprus, says it had sold 2.7 billion euros (\$3.1 billion) worth of bad loans to New York-based Apollo Global Management, the largest such deal in the east Mediterranean island-nation's history.

Speaking to The Associated Press, CEO John Patrick Hourican called the sale "the biggest transaction in Cyprus" since Britain purchased the island from the Ottomans in 1878, "except this time Cypriots are the real winners."

The sale — equivalent to 15 percent of Cyprus' gross domestic product — chops the bank's bad loan stock to 5.2 billion euros, down from 15 billion euros four years ago.

## NEW YORK Best Buy 2Q sales up, but outlook weighs on shares

Best Buy Co. reported its largest second-quarter sales boost in 15 years on Tuesday, helping to push revenue and profit beyond Wall Street expectations.

Same-store sales, a key measure for retailers, jumped 6 percent during the quarter. But investors shrugged off the results and sent shares lower in pre-market trading on a weaker-than-expected forecast for the current quarter.

The Richfield, Minnesota-based company's profit jumped 16.7 percent to \$244 million, or 86 cents per share, as revenue rose 5 percent to \$9.38 billion.

The Associated Press

## First downs, autumn Saturdays and Steve Earle



Margaret McDowell

"We got a pretty good team, good boys, strong boys. District champs the last three years." — Steve Earle, "No. 29"

Two years ago on an autumn Saturday I lowered my home decorating magazine and said across the room, "What's a first down?" My husband stared in wonder and surprise. In 37 years, it was the first football related question I had ever initiated.

We talked about basic strategies and rules. Things evolved from

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there, and last year we purchased tickets and attended my first major college game in decades. I actually loved it.

The finer points and nuances of the game itself are still beyond me, though I cheer for our team. The winning and losing isn't nearly as important to me as the quality of the evening. A spectacle under the lights on a college campus feels like autumn should. Maybe it reminds me of my own collegiate years. Regardless, it's an exhilarating and powerful experience: the sounds of pre-game and halftime band performances; the passion of the students and fans; the color and pageantry of the scene. It's all captivating. And football means fall is around the corner.

It is typical of my timing that just when college football attendance

is experiencing its first serious decline in decades, I have jumped on the bandwagon. Perhaps my long association with investing has created a contrarian's approach to fandom. Investing is an activity which, by definition, rewards those who avoid following the crowd. If you buy a security when everyone else is doing the same, frequently it has been bid up and it's likely that you're paying too high a price for it. This is not always the case; sometimes large numbers of investors purchase a security and it continues to increase in value. But, as the late financial journalist Louis Rukeyser once said, "Trees don't grow to the sky."

The trick is to locate a good company, and then buy it during a downturn or when other investors are selling it.

In this sense, a good investor must understand the value of a company and then trust that a decline in share price is temporary.

Market dynamics are changing, but many basic investing principles still apply. Simply stated, buy a good company, one which you'll be glad to own three to five years from now as well as today. And buy it a fair or advantageous price. To do so, you often must have the confidence to go against the grain and buy when others are selling. Then, during the next downturn, you must have the tenacity to hold when others are bailing.

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### OUR OPINION

# Guns are common factor in tragedies

Gun violence has become an all-too-familiar occurrence at public gatherings in our state and country, with examples just last weekend in Jacksonville including shootings at a high school football game and a video game tournament.

The shooting at a football game happened Friday, with the shooter killing a 19-year-old man and injuring two teenage students. It showed that despite the changes made after the Feb. 14 school shooting in Parkland, gun violence remains a real threat to young people.

On Sunday, a 24-year-old Baltimore man taking part in a video game tournament at the Jacksonville Landing shot to death two other participants and injured nine others before killing himself. The shooting has once again ignited a debate about gun violence, mental health care and why these types of tragedies keep happening in our country.

The Associated Press reported that the gunman had previously been hospitalized for mental illness. While Maryland law prohibits gun sales to someone who has been involuntary committed or has a mental illness and a history of violent behavior, the gunman was able to purchase two handguns from a store in Baltimore.

Certainly background checks need to be strengthened and done on all gun purchases and measures must be taken to improve access to mental health care. But making gun violence seem like a problem caused by mentally ill people isn't supported by the facts and only strengthens the stigma that keeps people from getting treatment.

People with mental illnesses are far more likely to be victims of violent crime than perpetrators of it, studies show. And other countries also have people with mental illnesses yet have far lower rates of gun violence.

The difference is that the United States has the world's highest rate of private gun ownership, with more firearms in our country than people. The United States consequently has far more gun deaths than other developed nations, with nearly six times the gun homicide rate of Canada and nearly 16 times the rate of Germany, to use just two examples.

Researchers have found that places with more guns have more gun deaths, which is true with homicides as well as suicides, domestic violence and violence against police, as Vox reported.

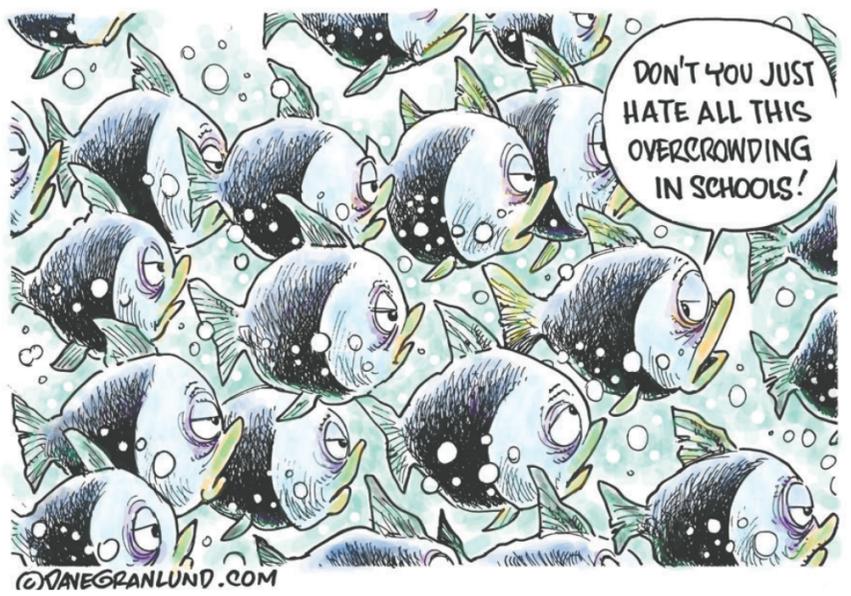
And as reported on page A2 today, gun deaths worldwide total about 250,000 every year and the United States is among just six countries that make up half of those fatalities, a study found. The results reveal "a major public health problem for humanity," researchers say.

Yet the National Rifle Association and other gun advocates keep claiming that the solution to gun violence is more guns and less restrictive gun laws.

Lawmakers should be passing common-sense gun control measures, including bans on the most devastating weapons, universal background checks and buyback programs. But our country needs to go further and treat gun violence like a public health crisis, with more research done on safety measures such as smart technology.

Much like what is belatedly happening with the opioid epidemic, both laws and public information campaigns should be used to discourage the purchase and use of firearms. Unless we want public gatherings to become shooting galleries, more must be done to reduce the number of guns and thus the likelihood that they are going to be used to kill more innocent people.

### ANOTHER OPINION



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# The rule that could threaten your green card

As Congress and the courts have blocked some of President Donald Trump's most aggressive attacks on immigration, the White House has chosen to wage the war through federal regulation. A proposed rule change under review by the Office of Management and Budget would have far-reaching effects on legal immigrants already living in the U.S. and on others seeking to come.

The rule, early versions of which have been leaked, would greatly expand the definition of who is likely to become a "public charge." Currently, an immigrant applying for residence through a family or diversity visa is denied if he or she appears likely to become dependent on cash assistance from the government, such as Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, or to require long-term health care at public expense.

Now, the Trump administration is considering making it more difficult for immigrants to obtain a green card for residency or a temporary visa extension if they — or their dependents — use any of a wide range of non-cash public benefits, including

food stamps, Medicaid, the Children's Health Insurance Program or public assistance for housing or home heating. The rule would apply even if the dependents are children who are American citizens.

The rule stands to increase by a factor of more than 15 the share of noncitizens who could be deemed "likely to become a public charge" — to nearly half of the noncitizen population, according to the Migration Policy Institute. From 2014 to 2016, almost 18 million noncitizens and naturalized citizens lived in families in which at least one member used a major means-tested public benefit program.

The policy appears to assume that immigrants who receive public benefits, which are often temporary, represent a net loss to the nation. But this is false. Many of the immigrants who would be blocked by Trump's new test qualify for public benefits because they work for low wages or are sometimes in need of assistance between jobs. Such a restrictive rule could easily pressure immigrants in crisis — even short-term crisis — to go without help for themselves or their dependents for fear

of jeopardizing their status.

The purpose of the pending regulation change seems clear. Trump wants to end both diversity visas and what he calls "chain migration" — the reunification of immigrant families. Having failed to move relevant legislation through Congress, he is seeking to achieve a similar end through unilateral executive action. At the same time, his administration is turning away refugees and asylum seekers.

Legal immigrants come to the U.S. under a wide array of circumstances — some in comfort, others in desperation. But time and again, even the poorest and least-educated among them manage to work their way out of hardship and realize their American dream.

Making that process more difficult, by punishing striving immigrants for arriving without ample means, runs counter to American history and values. It also represents a threat to U.S. prosperity, which depends on the ingenuity and labor of immigrants to power the economy and pay the taxes that sustain social services.

*From the editorial board at Bloomberg News.*

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### ANOTHER OPINION

# College students are more complex than we assume

U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions' description of college students as "sanctimonious, sensitive, supercilious snowflakes" might just be the best example of alliteration from a government official since Vice President Spiro Agnew called the news media "nattering nabobs of negativism."

But the clever use of words doesn't necessarily reveal the truth.

Students who will return to college campuses in the coming weeks are from a generation that has experienced an extraordinary course of events over their short lifetimes.

Their childhoods were shaped by the Sept. 11 attacks and the greatest economic challenge this country has known since the Great Depression. They are also the first cohort to grow up with social media.

The odds of a generation emerging from those circumstances fragile and

pompous, as Sessions portrays them, are low.

Of course, how today's college students will think and behave when they reach midlife is beyond the capabilities of our crystal ball.

But from our vantage point as longtime educators, we can offer an alliteration of our own about who they are now: caring, complex, committed and clear-eyed.

Witness how comfortable they are with difference. Fears and hatreds that have plagued this nation from its founding are unacceptable to today's college students.

They have trouble understanding prior generations' obsession with differences in sexuality and sexual expression, in race and ethnicity, and in gender.

Gay or straight? Black or white? Male or female? They reject labels and dichotomies and how they're used to oversimplify and do harm.

Do we know students so arrogant and hypersensitive that they resemble popular stereotypes of their generation? Sure we do; they typically come from doting parents and school administrators who celebrated them ceaselessly and, as the cliché goes, gave them the same size trophy for coming in last as for coming in first. (But who's to blame for low standards? Obviously the people who set those standards, not their children.)

Strikingly, though, even the worst of today's college students tend to be more caring and respectful of others than were their egotistical counterparts of an earlier generation, who put advancing their careers above everything.

Which is not to say that we see nothing that concerns us in present-day college students. Their clear-eyed, accepting outlook, while a model for the rest of us in some domains, leaves them

disturbingly passive in others.

During a recent class session, one of us suggested that we have given up our privacy rights in order to protect our safety. The government, with good intentions or bad, has stepped up surveillance in the name of security. In the past, this argument has sparked some spirited discussion. Not this time.

One student said that the very notion of privacy was an illusion cherished by technologically naive adults. "Don't you know," he said, "that not just the government, but companies are monitoring our every move?" It is impossible, he concluded, to protect something that doesn't even exist.

In a follow-up discussion, the poor old professor posited that after the students experience the harsh reality of having their digital footprints evaluated by potential employers, they will rethink their attitudes about keeping some things private. But a student replied

that they all have embarrassing things online, so who are employers going to hire?

We're dubious about those claims and will continue to implore students not to give up on protecting their own and others' privacy. But this generation of college students is far from the caricature posited by the attorney general. They came of age in a time of challenges, and they already recognize what today's world is about and embody much of what is best in it.

Maybe it's us elders who are the sanctimonious snowflakes. We'll close with a reference from Sessions' college years: As the Who put it in "My Generation," we ought to stop trying to put them down.

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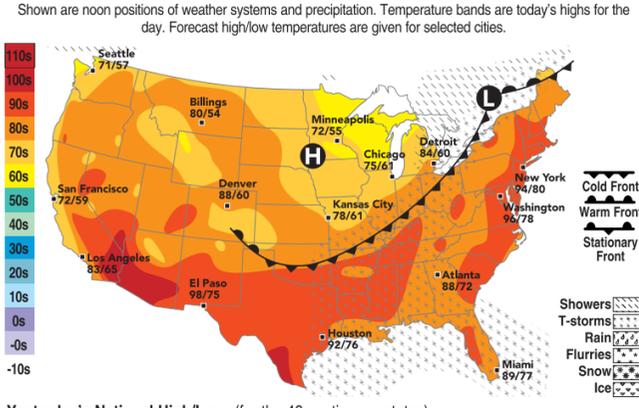
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The solar period schedule allows planning days so you will be fishing in good territory or hunting in good cover during those times. Major periods begin at the times shown and last for 1.5 to 2 hours. The minor periods are shorter.

	Major	Minor	Major	Minor
Today	2:15 a.m.	8:26 a.m.	2:37 p.m.	8:48 p.m.
Thu.	3:05 a.m.	9:16 a.m.	3:27 p.m.	9:38 p.m.

#### THE SUN AND MOON

	Today	Thursday
Sunrise	7:04 a.m.	7:04 a.m.
Sunset	7:53 p.m.	7:51 p.m.
Moonrise	10:02 p.m.	10:37 p.m.
Moonset	9:44 a.m.	10:39 a.m.



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Day	High	Feet	Low	Feet	Day	High	Feet	Low	Feet
Today	7:51 am	.....1.0	2:53 am	.....0.1	Thu.	8:14 am	.....1.1	3:03 am	.....0.1
	8:08 pm	.....1.2	2:40 pm	.....0.1		8:44 pm	.....1.1	3:09 pm	.....0.1
Today	10:31 am	.....4.1	4:19 am	.....0.2	Thu.	11:12 am	.....4.1	4:56 am	.....0.3
	10:52 pm	.....4.1	4:33 pm	.....0.5		11:31 pm	.....4.0	5:16 pm	.....0.6

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City	Today			Thursday			City	Today			Thursday			City	Today			Thursday		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W		Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W		Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albany	95	72	pc	81	60	pc	Cheyenne	82	56	s	84	58	pc	Great Falls	82	52	s	77	46	c
Albuquerque	91	65	pc	92	65	s	Chicago	75	61	sh	73	61	pc	Greensboro, NC	92	72	s	90	71	pc
Anchorage	61	53	pc	59	48	r	Cincinnati	89	70	t	78	66	c	Hartford	97	75	s	88	65	pc
Asheville	85	66	t	83	66	t	Cleveland	88	66	t	74	61	pc	Honolulu	87	74	sh	88	74	pc
Atlanta	88	72	t	88	71	t	Columbia, SC	93	73	pc	93	73	t	Houston	92	76	pc	90	74	t
Atlanta City	95	77	s	93	72	t	Concord, NH	96	72	s	83	57	pc	Indianapolis	85	61	t	78	61	pc
Baltimore	95	75	s	90	70	t	Dallas	96	78	s	96	79	pc	Jackson, MS	92	71	pc	90	71	t
Billings	80	54	s	82	51	s	Dayton	86	65	t	77	60	sh	Kansas City	78	61	s	84	71	t
Birmingham	89	72	t	89	71	t	Denver	88	60	s	91	60	pc	Las Vegas	101	79	s	102	79	s
Bismarck	78	55	s	86	57	s	Des Moines	73	55	s	79	68	s	Little Rock	89	71	t	89	71	t
Boise	87	58	s	83	55	pc	Detroit	84	60	t	75	58	pc	Louisville	91	75	t	82	71	c
Boston	98	78	s	88	68	pc	Duluth	67	50	s	72	57	s	Memphis	91	74	t	88	73	t
Buffalo	85	63	t	70	56	pc	El Paso	98	75	pc	98	74	pc	Milwaukee	71	58	pc	69	60	s
Burlington, VT	92	66	t	71	53	pc	Fargo	72	54	s	77	61	t	Minneapolis	72	55	s	76	63	s
Charleston, SC	90	74	pc	90	74	t	Fairbanks	57	43	c	53	43	r	Nashville	90	71	t	86	70	t
Charleston, WV	90	69	s	81	68	t	Flagstaff	78	47	pc	78	48	pc	New Orleans	89	75	pc	88	74	t
Charlotte, NC	92	71	pc	92	71	pc	Grand Rapids	76	52	sh	73	54	s	New York City	94	80	s	90	70	pc

## GOVERNOR

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Tallahassee Mayor Andrew Gillum won the Democratic primary for governor, pulling off an upset against better funded and better known candidates on his quest to become the state's first black governor.

DeSantis rewrote the political playbook in Florida with his win, beating a candidate who raised considerably more money and executed a textbook campaign centered around extensive television advertising, cultivating strong support among GOP leaders across the state and employing superior grassroots organizing. Putnam's campaign knocked on more than 400,000 doors and the candidate held more than 200 public events.

All of that proved fruitless in the face of Trump's endorsement, which helped pluck DeSantis from relative obscurity and propel him into the frontrunner spot in the GOP race.

Gillum spent the least of the five major candidates in his primary race and had the smallest television presence. He relied on a grassroots campaign and the support of the furthest left in the party to beat four other candidates, including former U.S. Rep. Gwen Graham, the daughter of popular former governor and U.S. Sen. Bob Graham.

Gillum, 39, was a favorite among Democrats who call themselves progressives and earned the endorsement of former Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders. Gillum was a 23-year-old Florida A&M student when he became the youngest person elected to the

Tallahassee City Commission in 2003. He was elected mayor in 2014.

Besides Graham, Gillum turned back former Miami Beach Mayor Philip Levine, who poured \$29 million of his personal wealth into the race and saturated the state with 30 different campaign ads. Also in the race was billionaire Jeff Greene, who spent about \$38 million of his own money on the race, and Orlando area businessman Chris King, who spent about \$4 million of his personal wealth on the race.

Gillum was the only candidate who said he'd raise corporate income taxes, and he often talked about winning a lawsuit against the National Rifle Association during his time as mayor. He often said he was the only candidate in the race who wasn't a millionaire or billionaire.

But the win also comes as the FBI is investigating corruption at city hall. Gillum has said he is not a target in the investigation.

Meanwhile, in toppling the Putnam political machine, DeSantis continues a string of victories by outsider anti-establishment GOP candidates that dates back to Gov. Rick Scott's primary win in 2010 and continued in 2016 with Trump's victory over U.S. Sen. Marco Rubio in Florida's presidential primary.

DeSantis is a member of the House Freedom Caucus, the far right group of lawmakers who have been wielding increasing influence as the GOP moves further to the right. He attacked Putnam from the right on issues such as immigration and education reform while also making environmental protection a key issue in the race, an unusual twist in a GOP primary.

With algae blooms devastating waterfront communities on both coasts, DeSantis hammered Putnam for being too closely tied to the sugar industry, which is regularly blamed for contributing to excess nutrient levels that fuel algae growth.

On immigration, Putnam proved vulnerable in a party that has moved sharply toward stronger immigration enforcement efforts in recent years. DeSantis criticized Putnam for supporting the so-called Gang of Eight immigration bill a few years ago that offered a pathway to citizenship for some undocumented immigrants, deriding him as "Amnesty Adam."

A series of controversies at the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services also weighed down Putnam's campaign, most notably the handling of concealed weapons licenses.

News reports highlighted problems — documented in a lawsuit and state investigations — with how Putnam's office processed the licenses, including a lapse that let nearly 300 people improperly obtain concealed carry permits and complaints that the department was unprepared to handle a flood of license requests.

But Trump's endorsement was the biggest factor in swinging the race to DeSantis.

Lido Key resident Marlena Randonne de Vazeille said Tuesday that she voted for DeSantis "because Trump suggested it." Her husband, Jacques Randonne de Vazeille, said he trusts Trump's judgment.

"What I like, and I'll be very honest with you, is that I have finally somebody who listens to what I want and not what

the government wants," said Jacques Randonne de Vazeille.

Polls showed Putnam comfortably ahead in the race before Trump tweeted his full endorsement of DeSantis on June 22.

"Ron is strong on Borders, tough on Crime & big on Cutting Taxes - Loves our Military & our Vets. He will be a Great Governor & has my full Endorsement!" Trump tweeted.

The president flew to Tampa on July 31 — Putnam's birthday — to tout DeSantis during a rally at the Florida State Fairgrounds. By then DeSantis, a three-term congressman from northeast Florida, had begun to eclipse Putnam in the polls.

Recent surveys seemed to indicate the race was tightening and that Putnam was within striking distance, but DeSantis ended up winning by a comfortable margin.

Trump drove home his support for DeSantis with a robocall to voters over the weekend and two tweets touting the candidate Monday.

The president's involvement in the race bedeviled Putnam, who struggled to minimize the endorsement without criticizing Trump, who is hugely popular with GOP voters.

"My opponent's running on an endorsement," Putnam said during a recent event in Bradenton. "No plan, no vision, no agenda — just an endorsement. Just hanging on to the coat-tails. It takes more than that to lead the state of Florida."

Yet while Trump gave DeSantis, 39, a huge boost, the congressman also benefited from frequent appearances on Fox News, where he defended Trump and advocated hardline conservative positions.

And DeSantis' background proved appealing to

conservatives once they began to learn more about him.

A graduate of Yale and Harvard Law School, DeSantis served in the U.S. Navy's Judge Advocate General Corps and has been a committed conservative in Congress.

Meanwhile, Putnam, 43, has held elected office continuously since he was 22, first as a member of the Florida House before heading to Congress and winning the agriculture commissioner job in 2010.

After returning to Florida, Putnam was viewed as almost certain to run for governor someday and he began sewing up support in every part of the state. Affable and well-liked within the party, Putnam seemed like a good bet to secure the GOP nomination for governor this year.

Trump's involvement in the race upset many Republicans who viewed Putnam as better prepared to be governor and better positioned to win a general election.

Some Republicans worry that DeSantis could have a hard time winning the general election because he is so conservative, and so closely associated with Trump — an extremely polarizing figure.

DeSantis dismissed such concerns during a recent interview.

"I've been underestimated against Putnam, people are now starting to change that view, and I think I'll be underestimated going forward, but that's just how I like it," DeSantis said.

DeSantis' victory continues a string of recent primary wins by Republican candidates backed by Trump, a winning streak that highlights the president's strength within the party and success at remaking the GOP in his own image.

## COMMISSION

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primary contest, meaning that with no challenger from the opposing party, the primary acts as the general election.

Parks' win and margin of

victory were predicted in multiple straw polls leading up to the election, including the South Lake Hob Nob and the Leadership Lake poll.

Parks' believes his visibility and engagement in the community, such as Coffee and Conversations meetings with citizens, allowed him to maintain open communication with his constituents and

were responsible for his win.

Parks has also remained active in the community since taking the role, regularly volunteering with his local church and participating actively in the South Lake Chamber of Commerce.

Parks first came into public office in Lake County when he was elected to the Lake County Water Authority

Board of Trustees in 2004. He stayed in that position until 2008, then won his first term as commissioner in 2010.

Since taking office he has focused on public safety and ensuring Lake County's economic advancement.

Schnauffer, who serves in the National Guard as deputy program manager, was a newcomer to politics

and ran on a platform of reducing regulation and cutting taxes.

Parks' backed down on his commitment to Lake County's economic growth after the results came in.

"We've got to continue to focus on our economy, and get higher wage jobs," Parks said. "We've also got to focus on our quality of life."

# SPORTS

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## US Open gets overheated



Novak Djokovic, of Serbia, puts an ice towel to his face during a changeover in his match against Marton Fucsovics, of Hungary, during the first round of the U.S. Open on Tuesday in New York. [AP PHOTO/FRANK FRANKLIN II]

By Brian Mahoney  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Players scrambled for relief from the heat and some retired from their matches when they couldn't find it at an overheated second day of the U.S. Open.

Novak Djokovic said he felt sick during a changeover in his match on a day when conditions were so difficult because of the heat that U.S. Open officials extended to men an extreme heat rule that only exists on the women's tour.

Djokovic made a winning

return to the U.S. Open, beating Marton Fucsovics in four sets.

Djokovic missed the U.S. Open last year because of an elbow injury and was playing his first match in Flushing Meadows since losing the 2016 final to Stan Wawrinka.

It was a tough one, until he dominated after players were allowed to leave the court for 10 minutes following the third and fourth sets. Once they returned, the No. 6 seed finished off a 6-3, 3-6, 6-4, 6-0 victory in 2 hours, 59 minutes.

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## Dominating performance



East Ridge's Taylor Sinopoli (1) reaches for the ball during a match against South Lake on Tuesday in Clermont. [PAUL RYAN / CORRESPONDENT]

## East Ridge takes straight-set win over South Lake

By Frank Jolley  
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CLERMONT — East Ridge High School can make volleyball look like a relatively simple game.

The Knights look to have the weapons to be a factor at the state level in 2018, but they have to take care of business on the court against teams looking to pull the upset.

And they've done just that

so far, winning three matches in straight sets.

East Ridge's latest win came Tuesday when the Knights blanked South Lake 3-0 at home. Game scores were 25-14, 25-16 and 25-22.

The Knights dominated at the net and behind the service line against South Lake (2-1). East Ridge had 42 of its 75 points in the match on serve

See EAST RIDGE, B3

## Maddon making all the right moves

By Jay Cohen  
Associated Press

CHICAGO — At one point during Anthony Rizzo's tough start, the big first baseman visited Chicago Cubs manager Joe Maddon in his office.

Rizzo and Maddon talked hitting, and Maddon wrote down what he thought Rizzo's numbers would look like by the end of the season. Fast forward to the last days of August, and Rizzo's statistics are beginning to approach his usual numbers — where Maddon thought they would go eventually.

Only Rizzo might have to just trust his manager on that one.

"I wrote the numbers down a couple months ago. I just have to remember where I put them," a grinning Maddon said.

At the end of perhaps his most challenging season in Chicago, the 64-year-old Maddon remains as comfortable with himself as the day he took over four years ago, when he boldly talked about the playoffs at a bar in the shadow in the Wrigley Field.

See MADDON, B3

## Gators pick Franks as starter at quarterback

By Robbie Andreu  
Gatehouse Media

GAINESVILLE — With the opener now only days away, Florida's great quarterback question has finally been answered.

Redshirt sophomore Feleipe Franks is the starter, UF coach Dan Mullen announced Monday.

Franks, fellow sophomore Kyle Trask and true freshman Emory Jones had been competing for the starting role since the spring.

In the end, Franks edged out Trask because the coaches feel

he gives the Gators the best chance to win this season with his ability to extend plays and make things happen with his legs, Mullen said.

"We have some young quarterbacks that I think all have really bright futures in their development," Mullen said. "All of them are a long way from a finished product of what we need to see."

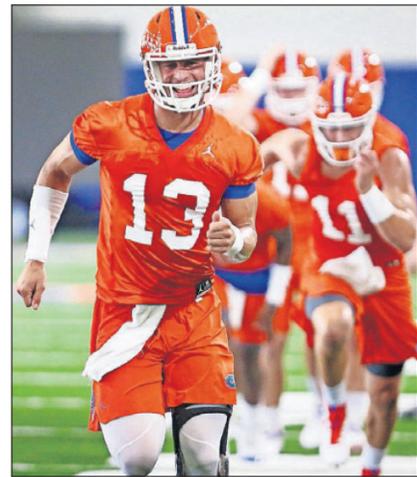
"As (quarterbacks coach) Brian (Johnson) and I sat down, we looked at who would give us the best opportunity to win now. Not projecting where they're going to be or how they're going to develop,

or how they'll grow throughout the years.

"But right now, we head out on the field running our offense, who's going to give us the best opportunity to win? A lot of it we felt Feleipe and some of the ability to extend plays, right now will give us the best opportunity to win games."

Franks did little running in high school and was recruited as a pro-style quarterback by Jim McElwain and his staff. But he has the size (6-foot-6, 240 pounds) and athletic

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UF coach Dan Mullen named quarterback Feleipe Franks (13) the team's starter to begin the season, saying Monday that his "ability to extend plays, some of his athleticism right now, will give us the best opportunity to win games."

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 MLB — Regional coverage, N.Y. Mets at Chicago Cubs OR Oakland at Houston  
 5 p.m.  
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 6:30 p.m.  
 FS-Florida — Miami at Boston  
 7 p.m.  
 MLB — Regional coverage, Chicago White Sox at N.Y. Yankees OR Washington at Philadelphia  
 7:35 p.m.  
 SUN — Tampa Bay at Atlanta  
 10 p.m.  
 MLB — Regional coverage, Arizona at San Francisco OR L.A. Dodgers at Texas (joined in progress)

### SOCCER

3 p.m.  
 TNT — UEFA Champions League, Playoff, 2nd Leg, PAOK FC vs. SL Benfica

### TENNIS

Noon  
 ESPN — U.S. Open, second round, at New York  
 7 p.m.  
 ESPN — U.S. Open, second round, at New York

## HIGH SCHOOL ROUNDUP

# The Villages star Mann commits to Gators

The Villages star point guard Tre Mann announced on Twitter on Tuesday that he has committed to play basketball at the University of Florida.

Mann chose the Gators over North Carolina and Tennessee and had more than 20 official offers, including one from Kansas.

The 6-foot-3 Mann is rated as the 23rd best prospect in the nation by 247 Sports and he is the first commitment for Florida's Class of 2019.

Mann tweeted out Tuesday evening, "I'm 100% committed to The University of Florida. GO GATORS."

Mann is ranked No. 30 in the nation among point guards in the Class of 2019 by Rivals.com.

Over the summer, he averaged 17.3 points, 4.6 rebounds, 2.5 assists per game and shot 38 percent from distance with his AAU team.

Mann led The Villages to a 50-11 record the past two seasons. He averaged 20 points and 5.6 rebounds per game as a junior.

The commitment is not binding until Mann signs a national letter of intent to play for the Gators. National signing day is Feb. 6, 2019.

### VOLLEYBALL

#### Eustis 3, Umatilla 0

Madison Baker had 35 assists to lead Eustis past Umatilla in a straight-set win on Monday.

Game scores were 25-21, 25-16, and 25-12.

Baker also had seven service aces and two kills. Hannah Yarbrough added six kills and five service aces for the Panthers, who improved to 2-1 on the season.

### GIRLS BOWLING

#### Eustis 3, South Lake 0

Delaney Cole rolled a 173 for Eustis and Abby Baron had a 121 for South Lake.

### BOYS BOWLING

#### South Lake 3, Eustis 0

Ryan Ward paced South Lake with a 238. Jake Martin rolled a 240 for Eustis.

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### GOSFORD, AUSTRALIA

#### Bolt to play 1st game for club in quest to go pro

Usain Bolt will make his debut for the Central Coast Mariners in an Australian A-League pre-season exhibition game against an amateur team.

The eight-time Olympic sprinting gold medalist from Jamaica is on trial with the Mariners, hoping to win a professional contract.

He has been practicing this week on the left wing and expects to play about 15 to 20 minutes in that position during Friday's exhibition match.

Club officials are predicting a crowd of

12,000 for the home game in Gosford, north of Sydney.

Bolt, who is at home on a much larger stage, expected to be nervous on his debut.

"There definitely will be nerves, it's not like it's a charity game anymore," Bolt said. "I expect to make mistakes but I also expect to go out there, make myself proud and to push myself."

Bolt had his first full practice session with the Mariners on Tuesday after taking time to ease into his new role during his first week with the club.

The Associated Press

## PRO FOOTBALL

### NFL PRESEASON

AMERICAN CONFERENCE									
EAST	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA			
New England	2	1	0	.667	77	62			
Buffalo	1	2	0	.333	55	71			
N.Y. Jets	1	2	0	.333	46	37			
Miami	0	3	0	.000	54	80			
SOUTH	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA			
Houston	2	1	0	.667	53	44			
Jacksonville	2	1	0	.667	51	40			
Indianapolis	2	1	0	.667	61	54			
Tennessee	0	3	0	.000	37	77			
NORTH	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA			
Baltimore	4	0	1	1.000	97	52			
Cincinnati	3	0	1	1.000	77	53			
Pittsburgh	2	1	0	.667	81	71			
Cleveland	2	1	0	.667	42	29			
WEST	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA			
Oakland	2	1	0	.667	44	35			
Denver	1	2	0	.333	80	83			
L.A. Chargers	1	2	0	.333	48	74			
Kansas City	1	2	0	.333	58	58			

### NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA			
N.Y. Giants	2	1	0	.667	62	53			
Washington	1	2	0	.333	49	68			
Dallas	0	3	0	.000	37	72			
Philadelphia	0	3	0	.000	34	73			
SOUTH	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA			
Carolina	3	0	1	1.000	80	57			
New Orleans	2	1	0	.667	75	47			
Tampa Bay	2	1	0	.667	86	71			
Atlanta	0	3	0	.000	20	62			
NORTH	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA			
Minnesota	2	1	0	.667	73	62			
Green Bay	2	1	0	.667	88	64			
Chicago	2	2	0	.500	94	90			
Detroit	1	2	0	.333	60	76			
WEST	W	L	T	PCT.	PF	PA			
Arizona	3	0	1	1.000	71	35			
L.A. Rams	2	1	0	.667	47	68			
San Francisco	1	2	0	.333	54	60			
Seattle	0	3	0	.000	51	64			

### WEEK 4 Thursday's Games

New England at N.Y. Giants, 7 p.m.  
 N.Y. Jets at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.  
 Cleveland at Detroit, 7 p.m.  
 Indianapolis at Cincinnati, 7 p.m.  
 Miami at Atlanta, 7 p.m.  
 Jacksonville at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.  
 Washington at Baltimore, 7:30 p.m.  
 Carolina at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.  
 Dallas at Houston, 8 p.m.  
 L.A. Rams at New Orleans, 8 p.m.  
 Buffalo at Chicago, 8 p.m.  
 Minnesota at Tennessee, 8 p.m.  
 Green Bay at Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.  
 Denver at Arizona, 10 p.m.  
 Oakland at Seattle, 10 p.m.  
 L.A. Chargers at San Francisco, 10 p.m.

## SOCCER

### MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER

All times Eastern  
**EASTERN CONFERENCE**  
 Atlanta United FC 16 4 6 54 55 30  
 New York Red Bulls 16 6 4 52 49 26  
 New York City FC 14 6 6 48 49 34  
 Columbus 11 8 7 40 33 33  
 Philadelphia 11 11 3 36 35 39  
 Montreal 10 14 3 33 34 45  
 New England 7 10 8 29 38 41  
 D.C. United 7 10 6 27 39 40  
 Toronto FC 7 12 6 27 43 46  
 Chicago 6 15 6 24 37 52  
 Orlando City 7 16 2 23 38 59

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
FC Dallas	13	5	7	46	40
Sporting Kansas City	13	6	4	45	30
Los Angeles FC	12	7	7	43	50
Real Salt Lake	12	10	5	41	42
Seattle	11	9	5	38	26
Los Angeles Galaxy	10	9	8	38	49
Portland	10	7	7	37	35
Vancouver	10	9	7	37	43
Minnesota United	9	15	2	29	38
Houston	7	11	7	28	41
Colorado	6	14	6	24	31
San Jose	3	14	8	17	36

3 points for victory, 1 point for tie

**Aug. 24**  
 Atlanta United FC 2, Orlando City 1  
 Los Angeles FC 1, LA Galaxy 1, tie

**Aug. 25**  
 Philadelphia 1, New England 0  
 Toronto FC 3, Montreal 1  
 Sporting Kansas City 2, Minnesota United 0  
 Real Salt Lake 6, Colorado 0  
 Vancouver 3, San Jose 2

**Aug. 26**  
 New York Red Bulls 1, D.C. United 0  
 Seattle 1, Portland 0  
**Today's Games**  
 Houston at New York Red Bulls, 8 p.m.  
 Philadelphia at D.C. United, 8 p.m.  
 FC Dallas at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.  
 Toronto FC at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

**Saturday's Games**  
 Sporting Kansas City at Seattle, 4 p.m.  
 New York at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.  
 Philadelphia at Orlando City, 7:30 p.m.  
 Portland at New England, 7:30 p.m.  
 Houston at FC Dallas, 8 p.m.  
 Los Angeles FC at Toronto FC, 8 p.m.  
 New York City FC at Columbus, 8 p.m.  
 Los Angeles Galaxy at Real Salt Lake, 10 p.m.  
 San Jose at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

**Sunday's Games**  
 Atlanta United FC at D.C. United, 7:30 p.m.

**U.S. OPEN CUP**  
 All times Eastern  
**CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**Wednesday, Sept. 26**  
 Philadelphia (MLS) at Houston (MLS), 7 p.m.

### NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

All times Eastern

W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
North Carolina	16	1	6	54	48
Seattle	11	4	8	41	26
Portland	11	6	6	39	37
Chicago	8	4	10	34	32
Houston	9	7	5	32	35
Utah	8	7	6	22	22
Orlando	8	9	6	30	36
Washington	2	17	4	10	34
Sky Blue FC	0	16	5	5	19

3 points for victory, 1 point for tie.

**Aug. 25**  
 North Carolina 1, Seattle 1, tie  
 Chicago 3, Orlando 1  
 Portland 1, Washington 0  
 Houston 6, Sky Blue FC 1

**Saturday's Game**  
 Sky Blue FC at Washington, 7 p.m.

## ODDS

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**Today**  
**National League**  
**FAVORITE** **LINE** **UNDERDOG** **LINE**  
 at Chicago -180 New York +165  
 at Philadelphia -120 Washington +110  
 Milwaukee -144 at Cincinnati +134  
 at St. Louis -170 Pittsburgh +158  
 Arizona -113 at San Francisco +103

**American League**  
 at New York -244 Chicago +224  
 at Houston -174 Oakland +162  
 at Kansas City -110 Detroit +100  
 Toronto -127 at Baltimore +117  
 at Cleveland -180 Minnesota +165

**Interleague**  
 at San Diego Off Seattle Off  
 at Boston -289 Miami +259  
 at Atlanta -148 Tampa Bay +138  
 L.A. Dodgers -160 at Texas +150

### COLLEGE FOOTBALL

**Thursday**  
**FAVORITE** **OPEN** **TODAY** **O/U** **UNDERDOG**  
 UCF 19 23 75 at UConn  
 at Purdue 412 213 511/2 Northwestern  
 at Minnesota 142 202 462 NMSU  
 Wake Forest 10 6 55 at Tulane

**Friday**  
 at Michigan St. 27 23 50 50/2 Utah State  
 Syracuse 3 6 64 64/2 at W. Mich.  
 at Wisconsin 33 35 52 52/2 W Kentucky  
 Colorado 6 7 65 65 Colo. State  
 at Stanford 14 14 48 48 SDSU  
 at Duke 10 12 45 Army

**Saturday**  
 at Oklahoma 24 21 68 68 FAU  
 Houston 21 25 55 55/2 at Rice  
 at Ohio State 38 38 64 Oregon St.

at Penn St.	28 1/2	23 1/2	54	Appalach. St.
at Nebraska	17	24	54 1/2	Akron
at Boston Col.	20	18	63	UMass
at Illinois	14 1/2	16	56	Kent St.
at Rutgers	13 1/2	16	47	Texas State
Indiana	12	10 1/2	55	at FIU
at Iowa	13	10 1/2	48 1/2	No. Illinois
Texas	10 1/2	13	56 1/2	Maryland
Boise St.	10 1/2	10 1/2	50	at Troy
Louisiana Tech	10	10	51	at So. Ala.
Marshall	2 1/2	1	51 1/2	at Mia. Ohio
at North Texas	1 1/2	4 1/2	71	SMU
Maden	1 1/2	3	57	Middle Tenn.
at Arizona	13	11 1/2	60 1/2	BYU
at Arizona St.	14 1/2	18	53 1/2	UTSA
at Southern Ca.	31 1/2	26	64	UNLV
at UCLA	14	15	64 1/2	Cincinnati
Auburn	3	1 1/2	48 1/2	Washington
at Kentucky	20	17	49 1/2	Cent. Mich.
Texas Tech	+1 1/2	2 1/2	67	Mississippi
at South Carolina	35	29 1/2	57	Coastal Caro.
West Virginia	7	10	61 1/2	Tennessee
at California	6	7	61	No. Carolina
Washington St.	4	1 1/2	47	at Wyoming
at Oregon	28 1/2	31 1/2	74 1/2	Bowl.Green
Old Dominion	5 1/2	6 1/2	58	at Liberty
at Notre Dame	2	1	46 1/2	Michigan
Alabama	28 1/2	24 1/2	60 1/2	Louisville
Navy	15	11	62 1/2	at Hawaii

**Sunday** Miami 3 3 1/2 48 LSU  
**Monday** at Florida State 6 1/2 7 1/2 57 Virginia Tech

### NFL PRESEASON

#### Thursday

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Cincinnati	1 1/2	2 1/2	34	Indianapolis
at Atlanta	2 1/2	PK	35 1/2	Miami
N.Y. Jets	PK	3 1/2	36 1/2	at Phila.
Cleveland	+2 1/2	2	35	at Detroit
at N.Y. Giants	3	2 1/2	38 1/2	New England
at Baltimore	1 1/2	6 1/2	35 1/2	Washington
at Pittsburgh	2	2 1/2	36 1/2	Carolina
at Tampa Bay	+1	1 1/2	36	Jacksonville
at Chicago	3	3	37	Buffalo
at Tennessee	PK	1	35 1/2	

## EAST RIDGE

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and limited the Eagles to only 18 service winners.

"We spend a lot of time at practice every day working on our serve," said East Ridge coach Mayra Cuebas. "In today's style of volleyball, a good serve is an offensive weapon. Tonight, we were able to serve the ball to South Lake's back line and force them to play defense.

"It allowed us to run our offense while keeping them from getting into their offensive sets."

The Knights dominated from the outset, leading

games 1 and 2 from start to finish. In the first game, East Ridge led by as many as 11 points with Naomi Cabello and Madison Hilde scoring five points apiece from behind the line.

Hilde served up the game-winner in the opening set.

Cabello, Hilde, Nicole Workman, Victoria Samedy — the younger sister of former East Ridge All-American Stephanie Samedy — controlled the net for much of the match. They forced the Eagles to make decisions whether to try and hit through two-person block attempts or hit a softer shot over the block.

Kyanna Pacheco served up seven consecutive winners to break open the

second set for the Knights. With East Ridge clinging to a 17-16 lead, Pacheco powered her team to within a point of the winning the set.

With South Lake serving to keep the set alive, Cabello blasted a spike that was returned, but sailed into the rafters, striking a roof support before crossing the net, securing the win for the Knights.

In the third set, Cuebas substituted liberally and South Lake took advantage. With Sydney Benson behind the line, the Eagles jumped out to a 5-0 lead, their first lead of the match.

Slowly and methodically, the Knights clawed their way back. East Ridge took its first lead of the set at 11-10 with Hilde serving.

Later, a spike by Hilde gave the Knights an 18-17 lead — a lead it would never relinquish. A spike by Cabello gave East Ridge a 23-20 lead and the Knights secured the win on defense by forcing an error at the end of a long rally.

South Lake got seven service winners from Benson and five from Kylee Brooks.

Pacheco had nine service winners for the Knights, followed by 10 from Cabello. Bethany Cudnik added six and Morton had four.

"This team is so smart on the court," Cuebas said. "They know what to do when they're on the floor and how to get it done. We have a lot of options on offense and I think the



South Lake's Arielle Short (12) dives for the ball during a match against East Ridge on Tuesday in Clermont. [PAUL RYAN / CORRESPONDENT]

biggest thing we need right now is more time together on the court, and that's

going to come during the season. "I really like this team."

## MADDON

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Maddon's personality — his steady hand, and perhaps more importantly, his subtle changes over the years — is a major reason why the Cubs just keep winning through the kind of adversity that knocks some contenders out of the playoff race.

Playing without 2016 NL MVP Kris Bryant, closer Brandon Morrow and shortstop Addison Russell due to injuries, Chicago had won six in a row heading into Tuesday night's game against the New York Mets, running the NL's best record to 77-53. Yu Darvish and Tyler Chatwood, who were expected to help solidify the rotation after signing big free-agent deals, struggled all summer, but nothing has derailed the Cubs so far.

Credit Javier Baez for turning into one of baseball's biggest stars. Credit rookies David Bote and Randy Rosario for their unexpected contributions, and Steve Cishek and Pedro Strop for their consistent performances all year out of the bullpen.

And credit Maddon, who is working with a largely new coaching staff compared to last year, and still has the Cubs on track for their third straight division title and fourth consecutive playoff appearance.

"Every year, it's kind of just let us be ourselves," outfielder Kyle Schwarber

said. "I think that he has full trust in us and I think that says a lot. We back him up, too. I think that's kind of how, it's a give and take. He gives us the rein and we always have his back at the end of the day."

Chicago's latest win streak coincides with Maddon's annual "American Legion Week," where he has his players come in later than usual — harkening back to when they were kids and hit the field when they arrived for the game. The Cubs still have themed road trips — dress like the flamboyant Strop was a big hit this year — but Maddon has largely stayed away from anything like his more famous stunts.

No petting zoos. No magicians. No Mariachi bands. The Cubs are no longer the wide-eyed group of kids Maddon had in 2015. They have grown up, and their manager has tweaked his style to fit his playoff-tested group that ended the team's infamous World Series championship drought.

"If you pick your spots more separately or not so close together, I think they have a greater impact, so I just think, I'm ashamed to say I might be maturing a bit," Maddon deadpanned. "That would be awful. But if that's true, I would really be disappointed in myself."

While that whole maturity thing is still in question, Maddon has made a couple decisions this year that helped keep the Cubs on top of the NL.

## GATORS

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ability to be an effective runner/scrambler, and he has shown a willingness to run, something that is imperative for the quarterback in Mullen's spread offense.

His size and athletic ability are what slightly separated him from Trask.

"It was pretty close," Mullen said. "If you go to the grades, they were right there. It was the extralittle things of extending plays, the intangibles. I think they

were pretty even.

"It came down to just watching what Feleipe can do within the offense right now, where they're all at in their development stages. He gives us the best chance to win."

Franks started eight games last season, throwing for 1,438 yards and nine touchdowns to go along with eight interceptions.

He showed the ability to make the spectacular play — the 63-yard TD pass to Tyrie Cleveland on the final play to beat Tennessee — but he also struggled with his consistency and accuracy.

## US OPEN

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"Very brutal," said 2014 U.S. Open champion Marin Cilic, who won his match when his opponent, Marius Copil, retired.

The WTA rule allows women to leave the court for 10 minutes between the second and third sets, and on Tuesday men were allowed to take similar breaks between the third and fourth sets.

Even that wasn't enough on a day when a heat advisory in New

York went into effect at 11 a.m., the same time play began, and was to remain until 9 p.m. today, with temperatures in the mid-90s and heat index values in excess of 100 degrees.

"Ten minutes? I would have needed an hour and a half," said Leonardo Mayer, an Argentine who retired in the fourth set and said men's players need to stop playing five-set matches in Grand Slams.

Four players quit playing during their matches, and the ones who won quickly while covering their necks with ice towels during breaks

considered themselves lucky.

"I really tried hard not to play the third one in this kind of heat," women's No. 5 seed Petra Kvitova said.

Other women's winners included No. 2 Caroline Wozniacki, who ousted 2011 champ Sam Stosur, and No. 10 Jelena Ostapenko.

Meanwhile, twice a Grand Slam semifinalist, Johanna Konta can't seem to make any headway at the majors these days.

A 6-2, 6-2 loss to No. 6 seed Caroline Garcia in her opener at Flushing Meadows is Konta's

Mullen has a great track record for developing elite quarterbacks. One trait he has said he looks for is leadership.

Over the past year, Franks has evolved into a team leader in the weight room and on the practice field. His teammates voted him to the team's leadership council in January. He is one of eight players on the council.

"When things got tough, when things got hard, just his leadership potential really pushed him over the top," junior wide receiver Josh Hammond said.

fifth consecutive exit in the first or second round at a Slam.

Before that, Konta made the final four at the Australian Open in 2016 and Wimbledon last year, propelling her to No. 4 in the rankings. Now she's 46th.

"I don't think there's too much to really beat myself up over and analyze," Konta said. "I mean, that's just the way it is sometimes."

Djokovic could face a quarterfinal matchup with No. 2 seed Roger Federer, the five-time champion who met Yoshihito Nishioka of Japan in a night match.

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# MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION									
TEAM	W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Boston	90	42	.682	—	—	4-6	L-3	46-18	44-24
New York	83	48	.634	6½	—	8-2	L-1	45-21	38-27
Tampa Bay	70	61	.534	19½	8½	8-2	W-8	41-24	29-37
Toronto	60	71	.458	29½	18½	5-5	L-2	34-33	26-38
Baltimore	38	94	.288	52	41	2-8	W-1	22-44	16-50

CENTRAL DIVISION									
TEAM	W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Cleveland	74	56	.569	—	—	5-5	W-1	39-24	35-32
Minnesota	61	69	.469	13	17	4-6	L-3	39-29	22-40
Detroit	53	78	.405	21½	25½	3-7	L-3	34-34	19-44
Chicago	52	79	.397	22½	26½	7-3	W-4	25-40	27-39
Kansas City	40	91	.305	34½	38½	3-7	L-1	20-45	20-46

WEST DIVISION									
TEAM	W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Houston	81	50	.618	—	—	7-3	W-6	34-29	47-21
Oakland	79	53	.598	2½	—	6-4	L-1	39-26	40-27
Seattle	74	57	.565	7	4½	5-5	L-1	38-28	36-29
Los Angeles	64	68	.485	17½	15	2-8	W-1	34-33	30-35
Texas	58	74	.439	23½	21	5-5	L-2	29-38	29-36

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION									
TEAM	W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Atlanta	73	57	.562	—	—	5-5	W-1	34-28	39-29
Philadelphia	70	61	.534	3½	2½	3-7	L-1	41-23	29-38
Washington	66	66	.500	8	7	5-5	W-2	33-31	33-35
New York	58	73	.443	15½	14½	6-4	L-2	28-40	30-33
Miami	53	79	.402	21	20	5-5	L-1	31-38	22-41

CENTRAL DIVISION									
TEAM	W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Chicago	77	53	.592	—	—	7-3	W-6	43-23	34-30
St. Louis	73	58	.557	4½	—	7-3	W-1	34-28	39-30
Milwaukee	73	59	.553	5	—	5-5	W-1	40-26	33-33
Pittsburgh	64	67	.489	13½	8½	3-7	L-1	35-34	29-33
Cincinnati	56	75	.427	21½	16½	4-6	L-5	31-35	25-40

WEST DIVISION									
TEAM	W	L	PCT.	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Arizona	72	59	.550	—	—	6-4	L-1	35-31	37-28
Colorado	71	60	.542	1	1½	6-4	L-2	34-30	37-30
Los Angeles	70	61	.534	2	2½	6-4	W-3	35-33	35-28
San Francisco	66	67	.496	7	7½	5-5	W-3	37-27	29-40
San Diego	50	83	.376	23	23½	2-8	L-5	23-43	27-40

## ROUNDUP/MATCHUPS

**LATE**  
 Chicago White Sox at N.Y. Yankees  
 Toronto at Baltimore  
 Miami at Boston  
 Minnesota at Cleveland  
 Tampa Bay at Atlanta  
 L.A. Dodgers at Texas  
 Oakland at Houston  
 Detroit at Kansas City  
 Colorado at L.A. Angels  
 Seattle at San Diego  
 Washington at Philadelphia  
 Milwaukee at Cincinnati  
 N.Y. Mets at Chicago Cubs  
 Pittsburgh at St. Louis  
 Arizona at San Francisco

## The long walk back



**Washington Nationals' Bryce Harper looks on after striking out to end the first inning against the Philadelphia Phillies, Tuesday in Philadelphia.** [CHRIS SZAGOLA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

## STATISTICAL LEADERS

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

**RUNS:** Lindor, Cleveland, 106; Betts, Boston, 104; Martinez, Boston, 96; Benintendi, Boston, 91; Bregman, Houston, 88; Ramirez, Cleveland, 88; Trout, Los Angeles, 87; Stanton, New York, 84; Rosario, Minnesota, 82; Chapman, Oakland, 81.  
**RBI:** Martinez, Boston, 110; Davis, Oakland, 103; Ramirez, Cleveland, 91; Encarnacion, Cleveland, 87; Bogaerts, Boston, 84; Bregman, Houston, 83; Haniger, Seattle, 83; Lowrie, Oakland, 82; Stanton, New York, 82; Cruz, Seattle, 79.  
**HITS:** Martinez, Boston, 160; Segura, Seattle, 155; Merrifield, Kansas City, 153; Lindor, Cleveland, 151; Rosario, Minnesota, 149; Castellanos, Detroit, 148; Betts, Boston, 147; Altuve, Houston, 143; Bregman, Houston, 142; 2 tied at 141.  
**DOUBLES:** Bregman, Houston, 41; Lindor, Cleveland, 40; Bogaerts, Boston, 38; Andujar, New York, 37; Betts, Boston, 37; Escobar, Arizona, 37; Abreu, Chicago, 36; Castellanos, Detroit, 36; Martinez, Boston, 36; 4 tied at 35.  
**TRIPLES:** Smith, Tampa Bay, 9; Sanchez, Chicago, 9; Hernandez, Toronto, 7; Benintendi, Boston, 6; Chapman, Oakland, 6; Kiermaier, Tampa Bay, 6; Moncada, Chicago, 6; Profar, Texas, 6; Span, Seattle, 6; 4 tied at 5.  
**HOME RUNS:** Davis, Oakland, 39; Martinez, Boston, 38; Ramirez, Cleveland, 37; Gallo, Texas, 34; Stanton, New York, 32; Cruz, Seattle, 31; Trout, Los Angeles, 31; Lindor, Cleveland, 29; Encarnacion, Cleveland, 28; Betts, Boston, 27.  
**STOLEN BASES:** Gordon, Seattle, 29; Merrifield, Kansas City, 28; Ramirez, Cleveland, 28; Smith, Tampa Bay, 27; Betts, Boston, 26; Anderson, Chicago, 25; Trout, Los Angeles, 21; Benintendi, Boston, 20; Lindor, Cleveland, 19; Segura, Seattle, 19.  
**PITCHING:** Severino, New York, 17-6; Kluber, Cleveland, 16-7; Snell, Tampa Bay, 16-5; Carrasco, Cleveland, 15-7; Happ, New York, 15-6; Porcello, Boston, 15-7; Price, Boston, 14-6; Morton, Houston, 13-3; Verlander, Houston, 13-8; 6 tied at 12.  
**ERA:** Sale, Boston, 1.97; Snell, Tampa Bay, 2.05; Bauer, Cleveland, 2.22; Verlander, Houston, 2.72; Cole, Houston, 2.85; Kluber, Cleveland, 2.91; Morton, Houston, 3.05; Fiers, Oakland, 3.15; Severino, New York, 3.27; Clevinger, Cleveland, 3.30.  
**STRIKEOUTS:** Cole, Houston, 234; Verlander, Houston, 229; Sale, Boston, 219; Bauer, Cleveland, 214; Severino, New York, 189; Morton, Houston, 182; Paxton, Seattle, 176; Kluber, Cleveland, 172; Snell, Tampa Bay, 168; Carrasco, Cleveland, 167.

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

**RUNS:** Blackmon, Colorado, 95; Yelich, Milwaukee, 89; Albies, Atlanta, 87; Carpenter, St. Louis, 87; Arenado, Colorado, 83; Harper, Washington, 83; Goldschmidt, Arizona, 82; Hernandez, Philadelphia, 81; 3 tied at 80.  
**RBI:** Baez, Chicago, 97; Suarez, Cincinnati, 93; Aguilar, Milwaukee, 91; Arenado, Colorado, 91; Rizzo, Chicago, 86; Story, Colorado, 85; Harper, Washington, 84; Hoskins, Philadelphia, 82; Markakis, Atlanta, 81; Freeman, Atlanta, 78.  
**HITS:** Markakis, Atlanta, 158; Freeman, Atlanta, 157; Gennett, Cincinnati, 148; Peraza, Cincinnati, 147; Arenado, Colorado, 144; Baez, Chicago, 144; Story, Colorado, 144; Turner, Washington, 144; Goldschmidt, Arizona, 143; Yelich, Milwaukee, 143.  
**DOUBLES:** Carpenter, St. Louis, 38; Markakis, Atlanta, 38; Story, Colorado, 36; Baez, Chicago, 35; Freeman, Atlanta, 35; Albies, Atlanta, 33; Rendon, Washington, 32; Cabrera, Philadelphia, 31; Polanco, Pittsburgh, 30; CTaylor, Los Angeles, 30.  
**TRIPLES:** KMarte, Arizona, 10; Baez, Chicago, 8; Desmond, Colorado, 8; Nimmo, New York, 8; CTaylor, Los Angeles, 8; Difo, Washington, 7; Hamilton, Cincinnati, 7; 4 tied at 6.  
**HOME RUNS:** Carpenter, St. Louis, 34; Arenado, Colorado, 31; Goldschmidt, Arizona, 30; Harper, Washington, 30; Muncy, Los Angeles, 30; Aguilar, Milwaukee, 29; Suarez, Cincinnati, 29; Baez, Chicago, 28; Hoskins, Philadelphia, 27; 2 tied at 26.  
**STOLEN BASES:** Turner, Washington, 33; Hamilton, Cincinnati, 29; SMarte, Pittsburgh, 29; Cain, Milwaukee, 24; Inciarte, Atlanta, 24; MTaylor, Washington, 24; Baez, Chicago, 21; Jankowski, San Diego, 21; Peraza, Cincinnati, 20; Story, Colorado, 20.  
**PITCHING:** Scherzer, Washington, 16-6; Nola, Philadelphia, 15-3; Lester, Chicago, 14-5; Chacin, Milwaukee, 13-5; Godley, Arizona, 13-7; Greinke, Arizona, 13-8; Mikolas, St. Louis, 13-3; 4 tied at 11.  
**ERA:** deGrom, New York, 1.71; Nola, Philadelphia, 2.13; Scherzer, Washington, 2.13; Foltyniewicz, Atlanta, 2.67; Greinke, Arizona, 2.94; Mikolas, St. Louis, 2.94; Freeland, Colorado, 2.96; Corbin, Arizona, 3.15; Arrieta, Philadelphia, 3.37; Williams, Pittsburgh, 3.44.  
**STRIKEOUTS:** Scherzer, Washington, 244; deGrom, New York, 214; Corbin, Arizona, 207; Greinke, Arizona, 171; Foltyniewicz, Atlanta, 169; Nola, Philadelphia, 169; Gray, Colorado, 163; Pivetta, Philadelphia, 162; Marquez, Colorado, 160; Godley, Arizona, 157.

## TODAY'S PITCHING COMPARISON

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

TEAMS	PITCHERS	TIME	2018 TEAM			LAST THREE STARTS		
			W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA
New York	Vargas (L)		4-8	6.96	4-11	2-0	17.1	2.08
Chicago	Mills (R)	2:20p	0-0	1.17	1-0	0-0	5.2	1.59
Washington	Gonzalez (L)		7-11	4.35	11-15	0-3	15.2	8.04
Philadelphia	Arrieta (R)	7:05p	9-9	3.37	12-13	0-3	17.0	5.29
Milwaukee	Peralta (R)		6-4	4.02	8-5	1-2	16.0	5.63
Cincinnati	Harvey (R)	7:10p	6-7	4.77	12-10	1-0	18.2	1.45
Pittsburgh	Williams (R)		10-9	3.44	12-13	1-1	20.0	0.90
St. Louis	Mikolas (R)	8:15p	13-3	2.94	19-7	1-0	17.2	4.58
Arizona	Godley (R)		13-7	4.59	15-11	1-1	16.2	6.48
San Fran.	Rodriguez (R)	10:15p	6-1	2.30	9-4	1-0	20.0	1.35

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

TEAMS	PITCHERS	TIME	2018 TEAM			LAST THREE STARTS		
			W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA
Oakland	Cahill (R)		5-3	3.44	10-6	1-1	16.2	4.86
Houston	Keuchel (L)	2:10p	10-10	3.54	15-12	1-1	19.2	3.66
Detroit	Fulmer (R)		3-9	4.32	5-15	0-2	16.1	4.96
Kansas City	Duffy (L)	2:15p	7-11	4.85	9-17	0-2	16.1	7.71
Chicago	Lopez (R)		4-9	4.66	9-17	0-0	12.2	8.53
New York	Sabathia (L)	7:05p	7-4	3.30	14-9	1-0	17.2	1.53
Toronto	Borucki (L)		3-3	4.12	6-5	1-1	11.0	9.82
Baltimore	Cobb (R)	7:05p	4-15	5.00	5-19	1-1	22.0	2.05
Minnesota	Stewart (R)		0-1	6.94	1-2	0-1	11.2	6.94
Cleveland	Plutko (R)	7:10p	4-4	5.09	4-4	0-3	17.0	5.82

### INTERLEAGUE

TEAMS	PITCHERS	TIME	2018 TEAM			LAST THREE STARTS		
			W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA
Seattle	Ramirez (R)		1-2	4.56	3-2	1-0	16.0	1.13
San Diego	Lucchesi (L)	3:40p	6-7	3.74	8-12	1-1	16.0	3.94
Miami	Richards (R)		3-7	4.23	8-11	0-1	15.1	5.87
Boston	Price (L)	6:35p	14-6	3.50	19-6	3-0	21.0	0.86
Tampa Bay	Castillo (R)		3-2	3.23	2-0	0-0	3.1	0.00
Atlanta	Newcomb (L)	7:35p	11-6	3.57	14-11	1-1	15.1	7.04
L.A. (NL)	Wood (L)		7-6	3.60	12-12	0-1	15.0	3.00
Texas	Minor (L)	8:05p	10-6	4.40	12-11	3-0	18.2	2.41

**KEY:** TEAM REC-Team's Record in games started by today's pitcher.

### MONDAY'S GAMES

**American League**  
 Baltimore 7, Toronto 0  
 Chicago White Sox 6, N.Y. Yankees 2  
 Houston 11, Oakland 4  
**National League**  
 Washington 5, Philadelphia 3  
 Chicago Cubs 7, N.Y. Mets 4  
 San Francisco 2, Arizona 0  
**Interleague**  
 L.A. Angels 10, Colorado 7

### THURSDAY'S GAMES

**American League**  
 Minnesota at Cleveland, 1:10 p.m.  
 Detroit at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.  
 Boston at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m.  
 L.A. Angels at Houston, 8:10 p.m.  
 Seattle at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.  
**National League**  
 Milwaukee at Cincinnati, 12:35 p.m.  
 Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 7:15 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs at Atlanta, 7:35 p.m.  
 Arizona at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.  
 Colorado at San Diego, 10:10 p.m.

## THIS DATE IN BASEBALL

### AUG. 29

**1934:** The Philadelphia A's ended Schoolboy Rowe's 16-game winning streak with a 13-5 victory over the Detroit Tigers.  
**1948:** Jackie Robinson of the Brooklyn Dodgers hit for the cycle in a 12-7 win over the St. Louis Cardinals. Robinson drove in two runs, scored three runs and stole a base.  
**1965:** San Francisco's Willie Mays broke Ralph Kiner's National League record with his 17th home run of the month in an 8-3 triumph over the New York Mets. Kiner had 16 homers in September of 1949. Mays hit a tape measure shot off Jack Fisher.  
**1971:** Hank Aaron of the Atlanta Braves knocked in his 100th run of the season, giving him the National League record of 11 seasons with 100 or more RBIs.  
**1977:** Lou Brock of St. Louis stole base No. 893, breaking Ty Cobb's modern record for career stolen bases. The Cardinals lost to the San Diego Padres 4-3.  
**1985:** Don Baylor of the New York Yankees set an American League record when he was hit by a pitch for the 190th time in his career. Baylor was struck by California Angels pitcher Kirk McCaskill in the first inning, breaking the old mark of 189 set by Minnie Minoso.  
**1993:** George Brett recorded his 200th stolen base in Kansas City's 5-4, 12-inning victory over Boston to join Willie Mays and Hank Aaron as the only players with 3,000 hits, 300 homers and 200 steals.  
**2002:** Mark Bellhorn became the first player in NL history to hit a home run in the same inning from both sides of the plate, in 'the fourth of the Chicago Cubs' 13-10 win over Milwaukee.  
**2010:** Brian McCann hit a game-winning homer with help from video replay, giving the Atlanta Braves a stunning 7-6 victory over the Florida Marlins. It was the first time a game ended using a video replay.  
**Today's birthdays:** Alex Reyes, 24; Noah Syndergaard, 26; Chris Taylor, 28; Brent Suter, 29; Mike Rzepczynski, 33; Anthony Recker, 35.

## TOP TEN

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

Player	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
JMartinez Bos	124	475	96	160	.337
Betts Bos	112	438	104	147	.336
Altuve Hou	110	431	69	143	.332
MMachado Bal	96	365	48	115	.315
Segura Sea	120	494	80	155	.314
Trout LAA	113	386	87	121	.313
MSmith TB	116	374	50	115	.307
Merrifield KC	127	499	63	153	.307
Brantley Cle	117	468	73	141	.301
Andujar NYY	120	462	68	139	.301

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

Player	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
FFreeman Atl	130	501	80	157	.313
Markakis Atl	130	507	70	158	.312
Zobrist ChC	108	349	58	108	.309
Yelich Mil	116	463	89	143	.309
Arenado Col	125	468	83	144	.308
Gennett Cin	127	481</			

## RECREATION

# A true states man

**Dunnellon man plays golf in all 50 U.S. states**

By Andy Fillmore  
Gatehouse Media

On May 23, in Fargo, North Dakota, four decades after co-workers asked Ray Barrett to try his hand at golf, he completed his goal of playing a round in each of the 50 states.

The goal was set after Barrett, 75, an insurance claims adjuster with Kemper Insurance for 33 years, retired from the New Jersey area in 1999 to Dunnellon with his wife of 56 years, Carole.

He reflected on all the golf games he had played across the country while traveling for business and marked a map with 39 push pins in states and decided to shoot for playing in all 50 states, with Carole playing as well.

He included rounds at courses in New Mexico, Mississippi, Alabama and Kentucky to make the total 43. In 2017, the couple toured and played in Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine, leaving four states to go.

Then, the Barretts traveled to Wisconsin for their granddaughter's college graduation, then went to Idaho, Montana and South Dakota. They played the final round of the goal in Fargo, North Dakota.

The staff at the Fargo Country Club congratulated Ray and presented him with a commemorative mug.

Ray Barrett had gone



**Four decades after co-workers asked Ray Barrett, of Dunnellon, to try his hand at golf, he completed his goal of playing a round in each of the 50 states. He is shown here playing at the Fargo Country Club on May 23 in Fargo, North Dakota, the last state on his list.**

[SUBMITTED/RAY BARRETT]

full circle from trying out the sport to being, in his own words, "hooked" on golf.

"I enjoyed the game and the camaraderie," he said.

Ray Barrett, a native of Elizabeth, New Jersey, worked for a brief time as a messenger and then joined the Navy in 1961.

In 1962, while attending Navy Weather School in Lakehurst, New Jersey, he and Carole were married.

After he completed his active service in the Navy in 1966, he looked into career opportunities and followed the lead of a family member who was working in the insurance industry. He worked briefly for another company and then went to work with Kemper Insurance as a commercial claims adjuster.

"I handled national accounts," he said,

including large corporations.

Barrett was asked by friends in the insurance profession to join them on a morning golf game while he was on a three-day work trip in the Tampa area in 1977.

Golfing became a way to enhance relationships with customers, such as executives with McDonald's, and spend some time away from the office. Once, he had a spontaneous desire to golf in Alaska and, after a few phone calls to work associates, had a foursome organized to play at four courses there for several days.

Barrett's home office walls are covered with bag tags from country clubs across the country, from Hawaii to Florida and even to Ireland, with courses in places including Kapalua, Hawaii;

Pebble Beach, California; and Pine Valley, New Jersey.

The Country Club of Ocala and Golden Ocala are included in Barrett's 50-state run.

He hit another high point in his personal golf career when he shot a score equal to his age — then 73 — at Juliette Falls Golf Course in Dunnellon in 2016.

The Barretts son, Roger Barrett, 51, of McHenry, Illinois, also is in the insurance profession and plays golf.

"A lot of business is done on the golf course," he said.

Roger Barrett said he has played in about 15 states to date. His son Ryan, 16, is playing in the Jr. PGA League.

"My dad and I enjoyed a lot of fun times on golf courses," he said.

## NEWS &amp; NOTES

To submit news or notes for the weekly recreation page, contact Sports Editor Paul Jenkins at paul.jenkins@dailycommercial.com or 352-365-8204.

### Umatilla Kiwanis Club holding 5K run/walk

The Umatilla Kiwanis Club will hold a 5K run/walk on Saturday, Oct. 13, at 7:30 a.m. starting a Caldwell Park in Umatilla.

Online registration is available at [runsignup.com/race/fl/umatilla/kiwanis5K](https://runsignup.com/race/fl/umatilla/kiwanis5K). Entry fee is \$25 if entered by Oct. 1 and \$30 after Oct. 1.

All participants will receive participation medal with awards/medals going to the top males and females in age groups.

All funds go to local projects for children and scholarships.

### Tavares holds Ready, Set, Run for kids ages 8 to 13

The city of Tavares Recreation Department will be holding Ready, Set, Run starting Sept. 11 to train children ages 8 to 13 to participate in a 5K run.

The 12-week program at Wooton Park combines physical training and goal setting in a non-competitive environment.

Designed to help fight childhood obesity and intended as a physical education opportunity for the local home school community, the program will run on Tuesdays and Thursday from 1 to 2 p.m. The program runs through Dec.

1 and culminates at the Tavares Santa Shuffle 5K on Dec. 1 in downtown Tavares.

The cost of the program is \$60 and includes the entry fee to the 5K. Registration is limited to the first 20 children.

For more information or to register, visit the Tavares Recreation Department at 123 N. St. Clair Abrams Ave. or call 352-742-6370.

### Mount Dora to have soccer clinic for kids

Mount Dora will hold a free soccer clinic for children ages 4 to 14 on Sept. 13.

The clinic will be held at Frank Brown Park soccer fields at 1245 E. Pine Ave. in Mount Dora. Children 4 to 6 years old will be at 6 p.m., ages 7 to 10 will be at 6:45 p.m. and ages 11 to 14 will be at 7:30 p.m.

Shin guards are required and children are encouraged to bring a soccer ball if they have one. Information about upcoming soccer leagues will be provided.

For more information call 352-735-7183 or email [maurerj@cityof-mountdora.com](mailto:maurerj@cityof-mountdora.com).

### Leesburg Bitty Ball registration opens Saturday

Registration for the Leesburg Recreation Department's Bitty Ball Basketball (ages 5-6) will open Saturday and run through Nov. 1.

For more information on any of the city's recreation programs, visit <http://leesburgflorida.gov/> or call 352-728-9885.

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# DINE

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TIP OF THE WEEK

## MAKE YOUR FOOD POP

To make dishes more Instagram-worthy, Restaurant Insider at [www.upserve.com](http://www.upserve.com) recommends these strategies:

- Add sauces and condiments with syringes or pipettes to everything from ice cream to steak.
- Add edible flowers to drinks, desserts, salads, sushi and more.



EASY RECIPE

## CHIA PUDDING

For a delicious treat that helps decrease inflammation, try this Strawberry Chia Pudding recipe from the California Strawberry Commission.

- 4 tablespoons chia seeds
- 1 1/2 cups unsweetened plain almond milk (or preferred nut or soy milk)
- 1-2 tablespoons maple syrup to taste
- 6 strawberries; 4 mashed, 2 sliced for garnish
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

In a small bowl, stir together chia seeds, milk, maple syrup and vanilla extract. Cover with lid and refrigerate overnight. Remove lid and stir gently. Combine pudding with mashed strawberries. Garnish with sliced strawberries.

ENTERTAINING

## PATIO PARTY PREP

Make your deck and patio shine so you can play host to the cookout of the year.

Consider outdoor string lights to hang across the deck, instead of relying on porch lights, to set the party mood, says [www.greenworkstools.com](http://www.greenworkstools.com). This is also a good time to invest in new lawn and deck furniture if your current set is beginning to age.

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# Cheesy, deep-dish deliciousness



Rosati's offers three styles of pizza: thin crust, double dough and Chicago deep dish. "We make everything Chicago-style which means the toppings go under the cheese," Michael Dowell said. "Except for the Chicago deep dish. The first layer is cheese, then toppings with sauce on top." [CINDY SHARP/CORRESPONDENT]

## Rosati's Pizza Pub brings the flavors of Chicago to Mount Dora

Cindy Sharp  
Correspondent

MOUNT DORA — While investigating franchise opportunities with his father, Michael Dowell took one bite of cheesy, deep-dish Chicago-style pizza and knew he was hooked.

"After graduating UCF, my father and I decided to go into business together," Dowell said. "My dad has always had businesses, but we had never really found our niche. Then we discovered Rosati's in Chicago."

The pair opened their first Rosati's Pizza Pub in Apopka in September 2017. Neither had operated a restaurant before and they had to work out some kinks, but Dowell said the pizza pub was soon flourishing. After things started running smoothly in Apopka, he decided to branch



Rosati's owner and general manager Michael Dowell opened the pizza pub in May after he and his father had been looking for a new business opportunity. [CINDY SHARP/CORRESPONDENT]

See ROSATI'S, B8

ROAMING GOURMET

## Make your own barbecue sauce for Labor Day



Ze Carter

Labor Day is on the horizon, and if you are like me, you're planning on eating and relaxing as much as possible. The only way for me to accomplish this is to plan and make as much as possible in the days before the holiday.

I no longer wake up early on work days to prep for the last official barbecue holiday of the year, but I still strive to be an overachiever when it comes to hosting a party. Labor day is no exception. Planning is key if I want to enjoy my guests and wake up at a decent hour on the holiday that gives those who labor a day off.

I would like to spend as little time as possible in front of the grill and make the traditional dishes as healthy and delicious as possible. Here are a few things that I'm doing this holiday, including making an awesome barbecue sauce to top it all off:

- Sliders aren't just for kids. While these mini burgers are perfect for little hands, they also guarantee that your



"You can make the sauce in advance, let it sit for a few days in a glass jar with a lid and then taste it and make adjustments after the flavors have had a chance to combine. Remember: Adding more brown sugar will make it sweeter, while adding more pepper will make it spicier after a few days," writes Ze Carter. [AP FILE]

time in front of the grill will be minimal.

- Be different. The grill isn't just for burgers and hot dogs. Try grilling a whole fillet of salmon or firm tofu. Don't knock grilled tofu until you've tried it.

• Skip the chips. Although a good, old-fashioned potato chip is fast and easy, it's also full of salt and fat. Instead, try boiled peanuts. They are full of protein and are the perfect party snack.

- Sauce it up. Creating your own signature barbecue sauce is always a hit. Make a sweet and hot version that will spice up the party.

Below is my recipe for a very

basic sauce. You can make the sauce in advance, let it sit for a few days in a glass jar with a lid and then taste it and make adjustments after the flavors have had a chance to combine. Remember: Adding more brown sugar will make it sweeter, while adding more pepper will make it spicier after a few days. Happy Labor Day!

### ZE'S BASIC BARBECUE SAUCE

- Ingredients:**
- 2 cups tomato sauce
  - 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar
  - 1 tablespoon garlic salt
  - 3 tablespoons cider vinegar

- 3 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
- 1 1/2 teaspoons paprika
- 3/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon celery salt
- 1 teaspoon ground mustard
- 1/2 cup water

**Directions:**

Combine all ingredients in a heavy-bottom, small saucepan over medium heat. Bring mixture to a boil, stirring until completely combined. Reduce heat to low and gently simmer. Stir occasionally until the sauce has thickened enough to coat the back of a spoon — about 20 to 30 minutes.

Remove from heat and let cool to room temperature.

**Note:** If not using right away, cover and refrigerate for up to two weeks. After two days, check the flavor and adjust sweetness by adding additional brown sugar or maple syrup 1 tablespoon at a time. If you would like a spicier sauce, add 1 tablespoon of red pepper flakes until desired flavor is reached. Don't forget to write down any adjustments, name your sauce and set it out for your guests to enjoy.

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FLASH IN THE PAN

# Shell no!

Why linguine with canned clams is the way to go

By Ari LeVaux  
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My clam linguine rule goes like this: If it's on the menu, I order it. The same goes for its Neapolitan progenitor, pasta alle vongole — pasta with clams. The classic way to prepare and serve this dish is with fresh clams in their shells. There are some who will bicker over which species of clam are and are not appropriate for authentic alle vongole. That debate gets to the question of fresh clams in shells versus canned clams. I would argue that the shells look great, but you can't eat them. And they kind of get in the way. Assuming one of the elemental joys of this dish is to eat noodles and clams together, you have to

remove the clams from their shells before you can stir them in and have that pleasure. And you can only have as many clams as shells.

Do not sleep on clam linguine made from canned clams. They bring a distinct set of advantages to the alle vongole, for a lot less money, with less environmental impact, and there are culinary advantages as well.

Canned-clam linguine is the high-water mark for cuisine that can be made from canned seafood. I'm sure your tuna salad and salmon patties are great, but canned-clam linguine is legit fine dining, even when served in a takeout clamshell.

If those canned clams are farmed, rather than wild-caught, they are among the most environmentally friendly forms of animal protein

that now exist, sharing the distinction with mussels and oysters. Bivalve mollusks feed on ambient ocean nutrients, cleansing the ocean, and they absorb carbon dioxide from the atmosphere to build their shells.

One of the reasons alle vongole is better with canned clams is that you can add more clams. And without the shells to keep the noodles apart from the meat, the clams and noodles can freely embrace and cook together. And perhaps most importantly, canned clams come with clam juice, which adds dank fishy umami to the dish, like an Italian version of oyster sauce. I would argue that clam juice is more important to the overall dish than the clams themselves. And if you do find yourself making clam linguine with fresh clams, you should still add clam juice.

Thanks to that bottled savory wharf-whiff, I cook the noodles to

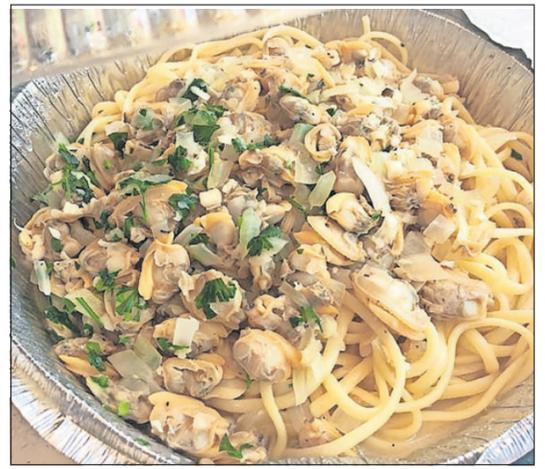
less than al dente, and let them finish cooking in the sauce, essentially by absorbing said clam juice. The noodles aren't just cooked with clams as much as rehydrated with clam juice.

Seeing red

On a sweltering day in San Diego recently, I found myself rehydrating with clam juice at a shaded table outside Mona Lisa Italian Foods. When I glanced at the menu of the attached restaurant, the clam linguine rule was activated.

Anywhere clam linguine is sold, we are given a choice between red or white, which boils down to with or without tomatoes. Cream is sometimes added to white sauce, making it whiter still, but on that day mine did not, which was just fine. Also just fine: It was made with canned clams. Tons.

Knowing what I now know, having cooked it many times since the Mona Lisa, I would



White clam linguine (cream-free) from Mona Lisa Italian Foods in San Diego. [ARI LEVAUX]

never order it without tomatoes again. The hint of acid the tomato provides gives just the right brightness to this rich dish, along with umami notes of its own.

Here is a basic recipe for a red bucatini alle

vongole. Canned clams and noodles may be in season all year, but now is the time to enjoy the tomatoes, garlic and parsley at their finest. Other summer vegetables, like zucchini, can be slipped in as well.

Bucatini Alle Vongole

- 1 pound bucatini, linguine or pasta of your choice, cooked al dente
- 1 10-oz can whole clams in broth
- 1 stick butter
- Fresh garlic to taste: chopped, grated or pressed
- 1 cup cherry tomatoes, poked so they collapse quicker
- Oregano or thyme

- Olive oil
- Red or white wine
- Red pepper flakes, to taste
- Chopped parsley, a few sprigs or more, up to a ½ cup
- Some basil leaves
- Romano or Parmesan cheese, grated
- 1 bottle clam juice, just in case

Melt half the butter in the

pan on medium heat with garlic and 2 tablespoons oil. When it starts to smell nice, add the tomatoes, oregano, pepper flakes, wine and contents of the clam can. Add the noodles and let them finish cooking

in the sauce, adding parsley and basil along the way. If it starts to dry out, add more wine or clam juice as necessary. Turn off the heat, stir in grated cheese and remaining butter, and serve.

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# ROSATI'S

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out and manage his own restaurant in Mount Dora.

"We really lucked out with this place," he said. "It's a great location and it already matched our theme."

In May, the second Rosati's opened on the corner of Donnelly Street and U.S. Highway 441 in the Mount Dora Marketplace Plaza.

"I am from the south side of Chicago and since I've moved to Florida six and a half years ago, I have been on the hunt for real Chicago pizza," said customer Stephanie Hoyne. "From the first bite, I felt like I was back home. Service was friendly and food was amazing."

"This will be a new favorite."

Rosati's offers three styles of pizza: thin crust, double dough and Chicago deep dish. Gluten-free crust is also available.

Customers can build their own pizza or choose from a variety of specialties, including the classic combo (Italian sausage, pepperoni, mushrooms, onions, green peppers and black olives), fabulous four (Italian sausage, mushrooms, onions and green peppers) and the hearty Rosati's monster (gourmet Italian sausage, meatballs, pepperoni, Canadian bacon, onions, black and green olives, mushrooms and green peppers with tomato and bacon on top of a thin crust).

"We make everything Chicago-style, which means the toppings go under the cheese," Dowell said. "Except for the

Chicago deep dish. The first layer is cheese, then toppings with sauce on top."

Rosati's also offers build your own and specialty pastas, including the penne and grilled chicken a la vodka and lasagna, complemented by classic salad options and signature sweet Italian dressing.

Authentic Chicago-style sandwiches are also popular, including the Italian beef and meatball parmigiana.

Rosati's, 18750 U.S. 441, has a full liquor bar, TVs with the NFL Sunday Ticket and a billiards room.

The pizza pub is open from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and from 11 a.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday. Rosati's offers dine-in, catering, takeout and delivery. For details, go to www.MyRosatis.com or call 352-729-2291.



Rosati's serves as a sports bar with a full liquor bar, TVs with the NFL Sunday ticket, and a billiards room. [CINDY SHARP/CORRESPONDENT]

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# Reducing plastic, foil, other disposables

By Katherine Roth  
The Associated Press

Disposables have become a mainstay of many American kitchens — plastic baggies, plastic wrap, paper towels, aluminum foil, plastic straws and more. Reducing or even eliminating them can save you money in addition to cutting down on trash that ends up in landfills.

"It's easy to be overwhelmed by it all, but little

differences really do add up," says Lauryn Tyrell, food editor at Martha Stewart Living magazine.

A few kitchen tips from the pros:

### Paper towels

"Keeping paper towel use to a minimum is one of the things Martha Stewart is really serious about," Tyrell says. Each workspace in the magazine's test kitchen features cloth tea towels, bar towels (similar to rags) and a roll of select-a-size paper towels, she says. The latter is used sparingly.

Tea towels are great for drying hands or dishes, or folding up to use as a hot mitt. Bar towels can be used for most messes. Paper towels are reserved for messes like juice from meat or raw egg.

### Plastic shopping bags

Carry your own canvas or string tote bags for groceries and other purchases. The key, as with bar towels, is to keep them handy. "There are so many types of reusable bags out there that there's really no excuse for bringing home single-use plastic shopping bags anymore," Tyrell says.



This photo provided by Bees Wrap shows the wrap in use in a variety pack of colors and sizes. [BEES WRAP VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

### Plastic produce bags

Avoid plastic produce bags by keeping a few lightweight mesh bags — often sold as "multi-use straining bags" — in your purse when you head to the grocery store, Tyrell says.

If your grocery store doesn't use compostable produce bags, you can always bring some of your own.

To avoid plastic wrapping on meat or fish, try asking the butcher at the grocery store to wrap it instead in paper, which is biodegradable. Or bring a reusable container to put it in.

### Plastic baggies

There are a variety of new products that can be used as an alternative to baggies. Broxson, at Real Simple, recommends one called Stashers. They're like zip-top plastic bags but are made of Silicon, and can be washed in the dishwasher and reused.

### Plastic wrap

Both Broxson and Tyrell recommend Bee's Wrap

as an alternative to typical plastic cling wrap. It's made of fabric coated in a mixture of wax, oil and tree resin, and sticks to the top of bowls and jars. Like plastic wrap, it conforms to all sorts of shapes. Unlike plastic wrap, it can be washed and reused, and remains sticky for months, Bronson says.

"It's not great for wrapping something drippy like a tuna sandwich, where maybe parchment paper or aluminum foil might be preferable. But as a container covering, or to wrap drier types of foods or sandwiches, it's great," she says.

### Aluminum foil

"Luckily, unbleached parchment paper works great for baking and roasting, and also for wrapping sandwiches and snacks," and is biodegradable, Broxson says.

"If you must use aluminum foil, you can wad it up into a ball and reuse it as a scouring sponge for baking dishes to get one more use out of it before throwing it away," she suggests. Clean aluminum foil can be recycled if it's free from food residue. And many stores now sell recycled aluminum foil.

### Plastic straws and utensils

The test kitchens at Martha Stewart Living have switched from plastic to stainless steel straws, says Tyrell.

"I carry my own titanium fork and spoon, with a nylon connector so they can even be used as tongs. They're super-lightweight, and kind of cool," she says. "Way nicer than plastic."

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# DIVERSIONS

## Couple fights to repair broken marriage after man's infidelity

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I have been married 23 years. A month ago, he slept with my daughter's best friend.

As soon as it happened, he told me what he'd done. He said he felt like I didn't love him anymore and admitted he made a mistake. I can tell he truly feels ashamed. Nonetheless I am hurting, confused, angry, and I can't stop having visions of the two of them together.

We are trying to make our marriage work. I love him, and I can't picture my life without him, but I can't stop torturing myself. I have to let this go if our marriage is going to work. Do you have any suggestions to help me with this? -- **TORTURING MYSELF IN ALABAMA**

**DEAR TORTURING YOURSELF:** Yes, I do have one. But before I offer it, let me point out that all of the emotions you are feeling are normal under

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DEAR ABBY



the circumstances. Because you want to make your marriage work, with the help of a licensed marriage and family counselor, you and your husband should analyze what led to his infidelity. Your doctor should be able to refer you at the same time he or she gives you both the results of your STD examinations.

**DEAR ABBY:** We are good friends with a couple who have taken two very nice vacations a year for the last several years. We are all in our late 60s.

When they book their trips, they intentionally fail to include ground transportation to and from the airport. They rely on having friends take them. The airport is about 45 minutes from

where we live. They never offer to cover gas or parking for the trips. I feel it's inconsiderate and poor manners. The wife is a very good friend. Her husband books the vacations, and she has to do the "begging."

My husband and I take a limo to the airport. None of us lack the money for vacations. We now just make excuses to not accommodate them. I would appreciate your opinion. Should we just tell them the truth? -- **AGGRAVATED IN ATLANTA**

**DEAR AGGRAVATED:** By all means tell your close friend the truth. And when you do, pass along the name and number of the limo company you use.

**DEAR ABBY:** My wife passed away six years ago. I have finally reached a point where I'm ready to not be alone anymore. The problem is I'm interested in one of her sisters. I love and care for the whole family, and it would devastate me to

lose them by revealing it. Am I way off base to even think of pursuing it? Should I drop it or talk with her to find out her thoughts? Maybe I shouldn't try because it's not "normal," but I am interested in the possibility. -- **FORBIDDEN LOVE IN TEXAS**

**DEAR FORBIDDEN LOVE:** This situation isn't as unusual as you may think. In biblical times, when a woman lost her husband, it was expected that his brother would marry her. If your late wife's sister is single, tell her how you feel. You have known her long enough that those feelings may or may not be mutual -- but no law says you can't find out.

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<b>WEST</b>		<b>SOUTH</b>	
♠ A 9 2		♠ 6 4	
♥ 7 6 3		♥ A K Q J 10 5	
♦ Q J 10 8 3		♦ 7	
♣ J 4		♣ A K 7 3	

The bidding:  
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East Pass  
South 1 ♥  
West Pass 4 ♥

Opening lead — queen of diamonds.

**In planning the play,** declarer should make sure to identify all of his assets. This might seem obvious, but sometimes a vital asset may not be so easy to spot.

**Consider this deal** where South is in four hearts and West leads the queen of diamonds. After taking the ace, how should declarer continue?

**The problem centers** on the club suit, where South must avoid losing two tricks. When the deal occurred, declarer decided his only chance was to find the missing clubs divided

3-3.

**Accordingly,** he started by cashing five trumps, hoping to induce some club discards by the opponents. But East clung doggedly to all of his clubs, discarding diamonds instead. When declarer next played the A-K and another club, East scored two club tricks, and the defense still had to get the A-K of spades for down one.

**In essence,** South gave himself about a 36 percent chance to make the contract (the probability of a 3-3 club break). In so doing, he overlooked another possibility that would have added significantly to his chances and would, in the actual deal, have gotten him home safely.

**Aside from the ace of diamonds,** the most important card in dummy was the eight of hearts. This innocuous-looking card offered the possibility of its being used to ruff a club if that suit split 4-2, provided the opponent with two clubs did not have the nine of hearts.

**South should therefore** have played the A-K and another club before touching trumps. If the clubs divided evenly, 10 tricks would be assured. But if the clubs broke 4-2, he could later try to ruff his fourth club with the heart eight, and when this succeeded, he would have saved his vulnerable game.

**Tomorrow:** A case for the defense.

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## » HOROSCOPES

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, AUG. 29, 2018:

This year the do-gooder and lover of humanity in you come out. Ask yourself whether you are actually doing what you need to, or are just giving for no reason. If you are single, others might find getting involved with you complicated at best. You do not say "yes" unless you mean it. If you are attached, make plenty of time for your significant other. Sometimes you get too involved with your own life. ARIES often wants you to commit to another cause.

**ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)** You might be grumbling to yourself. Someone seems to have used the word "impossible" when discussing one of your goals. Instead of adding stress to your day, let go of the comment and do something just for you. Visit with a loved one, if you can.

**TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)** You might think to yourself that someone is a bit off and in no way grounded. Sometimes saying less is better. Keep your thoughts to yourself for now. Plans could rapidly change during

the day, but you will like the final results. Embrace spontaneity.

**GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 20)** You are full of fun and energy. Be more aware of what is happening around you. A partner or co-worker could be going behind your back. If someone becomes effusive with praise, then you might be eye to eye with a hypocrite.

**CANCER (JUNE 21-JULY 22)** Confusion and a lack of clear communication might be familiar to you. You won't be drawing this energy to yourself, but you are sensitive to it. You read people well, and often get what they really mean to say. Others will be seeking you out.

**LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)** Sometimes an invitation to a fun happening should not be turned down. Dive into work early on so that you can return to these fun thoughts later. You could be putting too much energy into an event, which is likely to result in disappointment.

**VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)** Try another approach, or do something differently from how you have done it in the recent past. A boss or parent could start

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becoming more argumentative. You might want to distance yourself, as this person clearly needs to work through a personal issue.

**LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 22)** Once more, you have decided to go along with someone else's agenda. Think of the implications involved in this action. You tend to make decisions that attempt to keep the peace, but perhaps others would like to see more of your choices.

**SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)** You finally see eye to eye with an individual who often disagrees with you. When you both decide to work on a project, you find the process easy. Why not bend a little more frequently? Support a close friend or loved one in completing a long-desired goal.

**SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)** Be aware of the cost of making a certain choice.

You could cause yourself significant angst if you don't rein in your spending. You might want to buy a token of appreciation for a loved one; keep your budget in mind, and you won't have a problem.

**CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)** You see the source of mixed messages, but you also have a difficult time deciding which path would work best for you. You will know when you make the right decision. Others smile when you are more content. Zero in on an offer.

**AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)** Express your feelings clearly. You might be dependent on the other party involved. If possible, avoid a labyrinth of confusing comments. If you cannot get to a resolution, try another way. Reach out to someone at a distance in order to get a new perspective.

**PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)** Be as clear as possible when dealing with a partner or close loved one. Somehow, this person might not be understanding your words as you mean them. You might need to slow down what you are doing in order to clear the air.

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On August 29, 2005, Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast near Buras, Louisiana, bringing floods that devastated New Orleans. More than 1,800 people in the region died.

### ON THIS DATE:

In **1862**, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing began operations at the United States Treasury.

In **1944**, 15,000 American troops of the 28th Infantry Division marched down the Champs Elysees in Paris as the French capital continued to celebrate its liberation from the Nazis.

In **1957**, the Senate gave final congressional approval to a Civil Rights Act after South Carolina Sen. Strom Thurmond (then a Democrat) ended a filibuster that had lasted 24 hours.

In **1958**, pop superstar Michael Jackson was born in Gary, Indiana.

In **1962**, Malvin R. Goode began covering the United

Nations for ABC-TV, becoming network television's first black reporter.

In **1964**, Roy Orbison's single "Oh, Pretty Woman" was re-released on the Monument label.

In **1965**, Gemini 5, carrying astronauts Gordon Cooper and Charles "Pete" Conrad, splashed down in the Atlantic after 8 days in space.

## WORD SCRIMMAGE™

BY JUDD HAMBRICK

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**1<sup>st</sup> DOWN** (1st Down + 30 PTS)

E<sub>1</sub> L<sub>2</sub> L<sub>2</sub> P<sub>6</sub> R<sub>2</sub> T<sub>2</sub> E<sub>1</sub>

**2<sup>nd</sup> DOWN** (5th Letter + 7 PTS)

F<sub>7</sub> R<sub>2</sub> T<sub>2</sub> E<sub>1</sub> E<sub>1</sub> H<sub>7</sub> A<sub>2</sub>

**3<sup>rd</sup> DOWN** (3rd Down + 40 PTS)

Y<sub>7</sub> C<sub>6</sub> G<sub>3</sub> L<sub>2</sub> E<sub>1</sub> A<sub>2</sub> I<sub>2</sub>

**4<sup>th</sup> DOWN**

U<sub>3</sub> I<sub>2</sub> P<sub>6</sub> S<sub>2</sub> R<sub>2</sub> D<sub>3</sub> H<sub>7</sub>

**TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN** JUDD'S TOTAL = 342  
AVERAGE GAME 215-225 PTS

Directions: Make a 2- to 7-letter word from the letters on each yardline. Add points to each word or letter using scoring directions. Seven-letter words get a 60-point bonus. All words can be found in Webster's New World College Dictionary.

8-29-18 **JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW**

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9	3							1	4	
5		1	7		4	8			9	
			2		1					
4	7	3						5	9	8
6	2	9						1	7	3
				9	5					
8		5	6		7	9			1	
2	9								4	5

Fill in the squares so that each row, column, and 3-by-3 box contain the numbers 1 through 9.

### YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

2	7	9	1	3	4	6	8	5
6	1	5	7	2	8	3	4	9
4	3	8	5	9	6	1	2	7
7	5	6	9	1	2	4	3	8
9	4	1	8	7	3	2	5	6
8	2	3	6	4	5	9	7	1
3	9	7	2	5	1	8	6	4
1	8	4	3	6	7	5	9	2
5	6	2	4	8	9	7	1	3

**How to play:** Fill in the blank squares with the numbers 1 through 9 so that each horizontal row, vertical column and nine-square sub-grid contains no repeated numbers.

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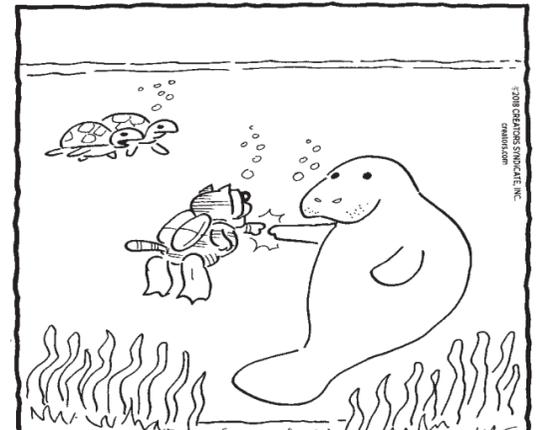
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"STUFF HE WISHES HE DID DIDN'T... AND STUFF HE WISHES HE DIDN'T BUT DID."

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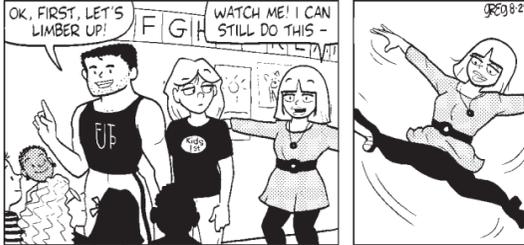
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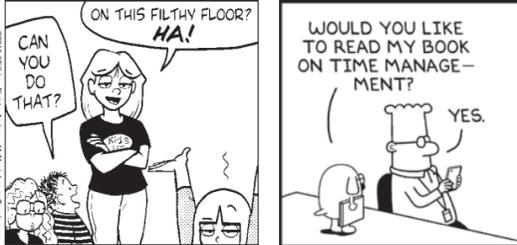


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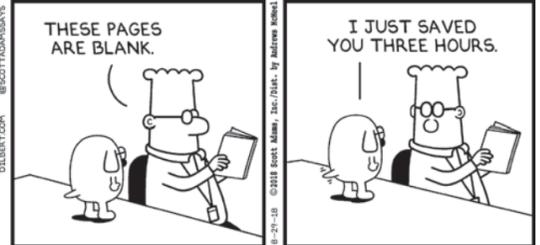
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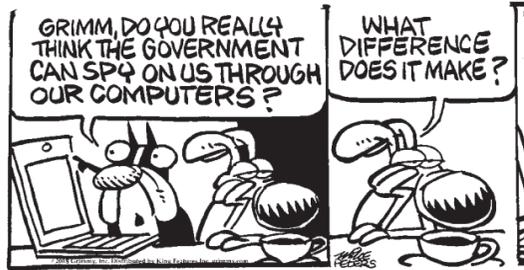
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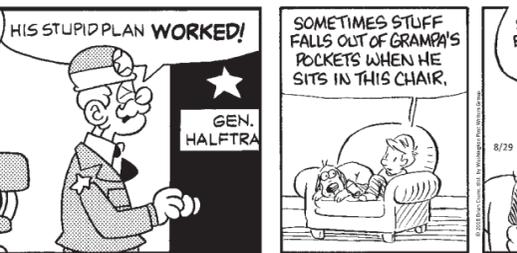
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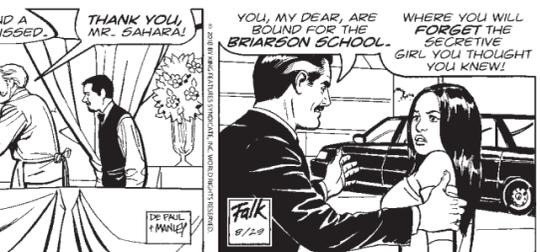
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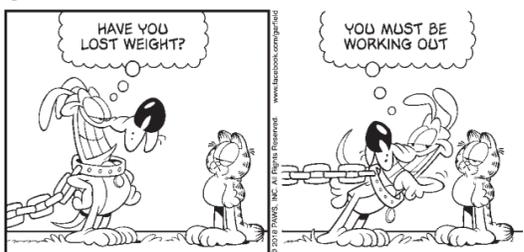
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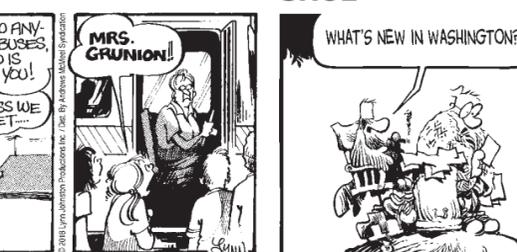
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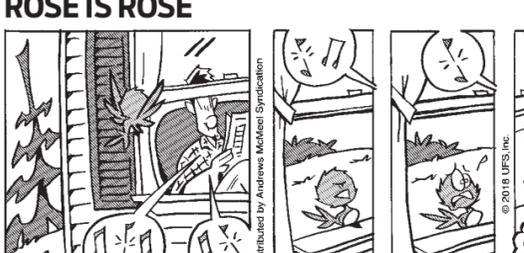
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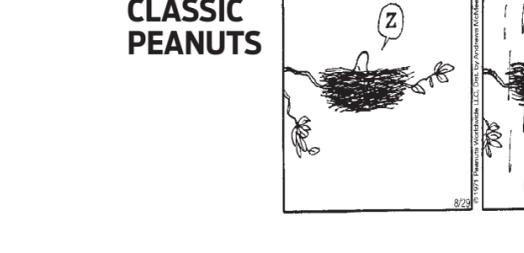
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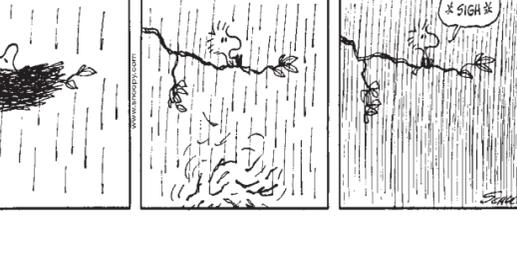
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Case No.: 2018 DR 001720

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and

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Wife.

**NOTICE OF ACTION FOR PUBLICATION**

TO: Lenka Bolkova

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BY: /s/ L. Willard  
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CASE NO.: 2018-CA-115

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TO: Jitu Prahlad Patel

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Notice is hereby given that Extra Space Storage will sell at public auction at the storage facility listed below, to satisfy the lien of the owner, personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed at location indicated: Extra Space Storage @ 516 Highway 466 Lady Lake, FL 32159 hereby gives notice of a public sale to the highest bidder for cash only on September 12, 2018 @ 9:30 AM. Auctioned Units: # 3042 Elizabeth Buchanan, Christmas items, misc. #3023 Sean Adams, Boxes of collectibles #2212 David Perez, china cabinet, beds, totes, bags, linens. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

Ad No: 10079715  
August 22, 2018 &  
August 29, 2018

**NOTICE Under Fictitious Name Statute Law Pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statute**

To Whom It May Concern: Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, pursuant to the "Fictitious Name Statute" Florida Statute 865.09, 2009, will register with the Division of Corporations, Department of State, State of Florida, upon receipt of proof of publication for this notice the Fictitious Name, to wit:

**DCO Flooring**

Intends to register said Fictitious Name located at the below address:

**1007 S. 14th St., Leesburg, Lake County, FL 34748**

That the interested owner in said business enterprise is:

**Russell Hietpas / Stephen Hietpas**

Dated in Lake County, Florida this 28th day of August, 2018.

Ad No: 10080062  
August 29, 2018

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**

The City of Clermont is requesting presentation of qualifications of General Contractors prior to bidding of the City's downtown streetscape project: phase 1 (RFQ 18-039). All responses must be received prior to 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, October 4, 2018. Information may be obtained from the City's website at www.cityofclermontfl.com

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**LAKE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD NOTICE OF INTENT TO REVISE RULES/POLICY**

Notice is hereby given that the SCHOOL BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA will consider revisions to School Board **2018-19 Student Progression Plan** at the regularly scheduled Board meeting **Monday, October 8, 2018**, Administration Building 315 W. Main Street, Tavares. The purpose and effect of the proposed revision is for the orderly and efficient operation of Lake County Schools and to ensure compliance with all legal mandates. The estimated cost is \$0.00. A copy of the proposed policy is available for inspection in the Superintendent's Office at 201 West Burleigh Boulevard, Tavares, Florida, between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m./352-253-6500.

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### 3780 ROOMS FOR RENT

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### 6865 PETS

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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**CAMPING EQUIPMENT**

**PROPANE STOVE**, 2 burner Camp Chef Explorer. \$50. **SOLD**

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