

CANDIDATE GUIDE

2026 **FLORIDA GENERAL** ELECTION

FLORIDA GOVERNOR		ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY NOVEMBER 3	U.S. SENATE	
				
R Byron DONALDS	D David JOLLY	Florida Family Voice is a nonpartisan Biblical worldview organization. For more than 20 years, FFV has been Florida's premier defender of Life, Marriage, Family, and Religious Liberty.	R Ashley MOODY	D Angie NIXON
S SUPPORTS*	O OPPOSES*	HEARTBEAT PROTECTION ACT Upholding Florida's current law banning abortions after approximately six weeks of pregnancy.	S SUPPORTS*	O OPPOSES*
O OPPOSES*	S SUPPORTS*	GENDER TRANSITION Allowing gender transition surgeries and treatments for minors.	O OPPOSES*	S SUPPORTS*
O OPPOSES*	M MIXED*	GIRLS' SPORTS Allowing athletes who are biologically male to compete in girls' and women's sports.	O OPPOSES*	S SUPPORTS*
S SUPPORTS*	U UNKNOWN*	ID & CITIZENSHIP VOTING REQUIREMENTS Requiring photo identification and proof of citizenship to vote.	S SUPPORTS*	O OPPOSES*
O OPPOSES*	S SUPPORTS*	RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA Legalizing marijuana for adult recreational use in Florida.	O OPPOSES*	S SUPPORTS*
S SUPPORTS*	M MIXED*	PARENTAL RIGHTS Expanding parents' legal authority over their children's education and healthcare decisions.	S SUPPORTS*	O OPPOSES*
S SUPPORTS*	M MIXED*	SCHOOL CHOICE Expanding public funding for charter schools, private school vouchers, and homeschool options.	S SUPPORTS*	O OPPOSES*
S SUPPORTS*	S SUPPORTS*	AI DATA CENTERS Allowing local governments to limit or restrict new AI data center construction over water and power usage concerns.	S SUPPORTS*	S SUPPORTS*
S SUPPORTS*	O OPPOSES*	SECOND AMENDMENT/ CONSTITUTIONAL CARRY Expanding gun rights, including constitutional (permitless) carry.	S SUPPORTS*	O OPPOSES*
S SUPPORTS*	S SUPPORTS*	LICENSE PLATE SURVEILLANCE Regulating or restricting the use of automated license plate reader (ALPR) camera networks by law enforcement, such as those operated by Flock Safety.	S SUPPORTS*	S SUPPORTS*

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VOTE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd

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FLORIDA STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ISSUE INFORMATION

AMENDMENT 1 BUDGET STABILIZATION FUND INCREASE

VOTE YES or NO

SUMMARY: The state of Florida keeps a reserve fund, sometimes called a “rainy-day fund,” to help cover government expenses during emergencies like hurricanes or economic downturns when tax revenue falls. This amendment **would raise** the maximum amount the state may hold in that fund from **10% to 25%** of general revenue and would require the Legislature to deposit each year whatever is needed to reach that cap, **up to \$750 million** per year. In cases of declared emergencies or critical needs, the amendment does provide pathways for lawmakers to access the fund, including with a two-thirds majority vote. **Supporters say** that a larger reserve makes Florida **better prepared financially** for hurricanes, recessions, and other emergencies. **Opponents say** that setting aside hundreds of millions of dollars each year **takes money away** from needs the state could fund right now. **A YES vote** on this amendment would **raise the state's savings cap to 25%** of general revenue and require larger annual deposits into the reserve fund. **A NO vote** on this amendment would **keep the current 10% cap** and existing savings requirements in place.

AMENDMENT 2 AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION

VOTE YES or NO

SUMMARY: Farmers currently **pay property tax** on equipment such as tractors, tools, and machinery used on their land. This amendment **would exempt** that equipment from property tax when it is used for **farming or agritourism activities**, such as farm tours, starting in 2027. **Supporters say** that it removes a form of **double taxation** on farm equipment and **helps protect** Florida's food security and family farms. **Opponents say** the benefit could **flow mostly** to large agricultural companies rather than small family farms, note that the Legislature would still need to **define** which activities qualify as agritourism after the vote, and point to an **estimated \$30 million** annual revenue loss for local governments statewide. **A YES vote** on this amendment **would exempt** qualifying farm equipment from property tax starting in 2027. **A NO vote** on this amendment **would leave** that equipment subject to property tax as it is today.

AMENDMENT 3 PROPERTY TAX REDUCTIONS FOR HOMESTEAD PROPERTIES

VOTE YES or NO

SUMMARY: Homeowners in Florida pay property tax based on their home's assessed value. This amendment would **raise the homestead exemption** on non-school taxes for existing homeowners from **\$50,000** as it is now, to **\$150,000** in 2027 and **\$250,000** in 2028, and adjusted for inflation every year after that beginning in 2029. The amendment would also **slow** how quickly taxes can rise on all non-homestead properties, such as businesses and rentals, by lowering the annual assessment cap from **10% to 5%**, limiting the ability of local governments to shift the tax burden onto small businesses and renters. People who are not permanent Florida residents as of December 31, 2026, would receive the existing **\$50,000** exemption, but would not receive the **\$250,000** exemption until their fifth year of residency, giving priority status to current Florida residents. The amendment would potentially allow local governments to expand exemptions further, toward eliminating non-school homestead taxes entirely in their regions. It would add language to the state Constitution **limiting** how counties and cities may spend property tax revenue, to purposes such as public safety, education, infrastructure, natural resources, debt service, employee retirement benefits, and government operations. **Supporters say** it **delivers substantial tax relief** to homeowners, particularly families and the elderly on fixed incomes who are facing rising tax bills, and forces local governments to **curb wasteful spending**. **Opponents say** the estimated **\$12 billion** a year in lost local revenue could force cuts to essential services, maintain that renters will receive no direct benefit, and warn that local municipalities could **shift taxation** onto commercial and rental properties or to other fees or tax assessments. **A YES vote** would **raise the homestead exemption** on non-school taxes for current Florida homeowners, **limit increases** on rentals and business properties and open the door for local governments to expand exemptions in the future. **A NO vote** would **leave current exemptions**, caps, and rules in place.

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— Hosea 4:6

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