

Ques on the Hill 2026 ~ Stances and Bills to Support

Greetings Legislative Leader and staff Members, We thank you for your efforts and commitment to service. Our focus issues include:

- **Access to high quality public education for all children.**
- **Fair and equitable health outcomes for all Floridians**
- **Access to capital and government contracts for small and local businesses**
- **Affordable housing for all Floridians**

We rise in support of the following bills and budget item(s), as well as pose an inquiry:

Budget Line Item for Florida Lighthouse At-Risk Youth Mentorship Program (Funding)
Senator Corey Simon

SB 1302 Pediatric Behavioral and Mental Health Screenings Senator Darryl Rouson

SB 96 Veterans Dental Care Grant Program Senator Barbara Sharief

HB 157 School Teacher Training and Mentoring Program Representative Yvonne Hinson

SB 235 Prohibited Discrimination Based on Hairstyle

Representatives Fentrice Driskell and Darryl Campbell

HB 385 Economic Hardship Grant Program Representative Michele Rayner

HB 471 Recruitment and Retention of Speech-language Pathologists Rep Kevin Chambliss

HB 503 Drowning Prevention Education Representative Anna Eskamani

CS/SB 578 Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Initiative Senator Corey Simon

HB 675 Affordable Housing Representative Fentrice Driskell

SB 720 Resident Status for Tuition Purposes Senator Rosalind Osgood

HB 1041 Business Development Incentives for Veterans/ Military Spouses

Representative Ashley Gantt

SB 1252 Pilot Program for Students with Reading Deficiencies Senator Shevrin Jones

HB 1517 Approval of Data Center Facilities Representative Dottie Joseph

SB 1626 Rent Reporting to Credit Reporting Agencies Senator Lavon Bracy Davis

SB 1694 Technology Education Senator Bryan Avila

INQUIRY: Why has no one been inducted in Civil Rights Hall of Fame since 2019?

In 2010, The Florida Legislature ([CS/HB 523](#)) established the [Florida Civil Rights Hall of Fame](#), approved by near unanimous consent. It was signed into law by Governor Rick Scott on May 11, 2010 (Chapter No. [2010-53](#)). Under said law, the [Florida Commission on Human Relations](#) recommends 10 people to the Governor, who selects up to three inductees annually.