

MAY 2022



From the Desk of the Representative,

On May 24, several students and a teacher lost their lives at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas. They were killed by an 18-year-old who legally purchased an assault rifle just days before. My heart goes out to those students, their families and the entire community.

On May 14, ten black shoppers were gunned down in Buffalo, New York. The gunman used an assault rifle he purchased legally. My heart goes out to the families of the victims and the entire community.

Two horrific massacres just days apart depict the dreadful state of gun violence in this country. People have responded with sadness, anger, and frustration. All are valid emotions. We cannot become numb to this, we cannot allow deadly violence to become the norm. Many solutions have been proposed, many bull horns have been used, but we all must agree that inaction is not an option. I am committed to finding solutions that will end the epidemic of gun violence.

My thoughts and prayers are with the victims, but my frustrations and hopes are reserved for the legislative arena. We must end gun violence, eradicate, hatred and build a better future. We must strive for better in the face of tremendous agony,



Last week my colleagues and I set out to provide benefits to the consumer, crack down on fraud, make Florida safer, and make property insurance work for all. During the Special Session on property insurance we were able to pass some important bills, including the Surfside condo reform legislation.

But all is not well. I believe that the bills passed do not do enough to help Floridians struggling with increased costs.

Prices are skyrocketing. My colleagues in the legislature and I took necessary and impactful steps to alleviate burdens Florida families are facing. More can and should be done.



Rep. Hinson attends the Alachua County Session Wrap Up Breakfast, hosted by Gainesville Chamber of Commerce with other legislators.

REP HINSON OFFERED THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT ON CS/SB 2-D

Expands the prohibition on insurers nonrenewal of property insurance policies based upon the outcome of an inspection to include the condition of windows, plumbing, and hot water heaters in addition to roof condition.



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It requires each insurer issuing property insurance policies to attend an annual conference hosted by the Department of Financial Services and the Office of Insurance Regulation.



Rep. Hinson's proposed amendments during Special Session - D on property insurance. Both amendments failed to pass.



Rep. Hinson attended a ceremony to commemorate the lives of lynching victims in Alachua County. The participants collected soil at a site where lynching occurred.

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Rep Hinson hosted the Big Brothers Big Sisters Marion County re-launch. The program aims to enrich the lives of young people through mentoring



Rep. Hinson providing legislative updates to the residents of Oak Hammock Retirement Community.

Mrs. Elnora Payne, better known as "The Candy Lady of Sugarhill" celebrated her 100th birthday this month. She has raised countless children and been a beloved figure in East Gainesville for years.



2022 STATE OF FLORIDA SALES TAX EXEMPTIONS & HOLIDAYS



MAY 14, 2022 - AUGUST 14, 2022 | CHILDREN'S BOOKS

TAX EXEMPTION ON CHILDREN'S BOOKS INCLUDES BOARD BOOKS (AGES 0-2); PICTURE BOOKS (AGES 2-7); BEGINNING READER BOOKS (4-8); CHAPTER BOOKS (AGES 5-10); MIDDLE-GRADE BOOKS (AGES 8-12).



Take advantage of the tax exemption holidays coming this month. Save all Summer long.

MAY 28, 2022 - JUNE 10, 2022 | DISASTER PREPAREDNESS



THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE EXEMPT FROM THE STATE SALES TAX AND COUNTY DISCRETIONARY SALES SURTAXES: PORTABLE SELF-POWERED LIGHT SOURCE (\$40 OR LESS); PORTABLE SELF-POWERED RADIO, TWO-WAY RADIO, OR WEATHER-BAND RADIO (\$50 OR LESS); A TARPULIN OR OTHER FLEXIBLE WATERPROOF SHEETING (\$100 OR LESS), AND SUPPLIES NECESSARY FOR THE EVACUATION OF HOUSEHOLD PETS INCLUDING PORTABLE KENNELS OR PET CARRIERS (\$100 OR LESS); BAGS OF DRY PET FOOD WEIGHING 15 OR FEWER POUNDS (\$30 OR LESS); CANS OR POUCHES OF WET PET FOOD (\$2 OR LESS PER CONTAINER).