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News and Views from
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TRUDI'S BILL TRACKER

HB 527-Brownfield Site Redevelopment

HB 527 provides a one-time tax credit for the construction and operation of new healthcare facilities or health care providers on brownfield sites, has passed unanimously out of the Environment and Natural Resource Council. HB 527's next stop is the Policy and Budget Council and then to the full House for a vote.

HB 1155-Campaign Financing

HB 1155, which represents the legislative recommendations of the Department of State's Division of Elections, has passed unanimously out of the Economic Expansion & Infrastructure Council. This bill will also have a stop in the Policy and Budget Council before it goes to the House floor for a vote.

POWER OF THE PEOPLE!

I want to thank everyone that sent e-mails out to Representative Attkisson and others asking that my immigration bill, HB 577 be heard. We have received some good news-rumor has it that HB 577 will be placed on the agenda to be heard in the Committee on State Affairs next Tuesday! This bill for all intents and purposes was dead as of last week. However, your commitment and dedication has revived it. The will of the people should never be underestimated. Please don't ever think that your voice is not heard by those that represent you in Tallahassee. HB 577 is proof of that fact.

TRUDI'S THOUGHTS

We are at the official half way point of the legislative session. My colleagues and I discussed many serious issues this week. The House addressed abortion, dating violence, and public financing for political campaigns, while measures aimed at greater transparency in government spending and expanding the state's corporate scholarship programs were heard in the Senate. Of course, the budget was the top priority of both chambers. It has been a very tough year to date, especially with budget cuts. However, we will continue to place the highest priority on education, health care and public safety while preserving core missions of government and responsibly balancing Florida's budget. As always, thank you for your feedback, ideas, and support.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy."-Martin Luther King Jr.

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