

## The Florida House of Representatives

Paul Renner Speaker

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## Transformative House Budget Makes Historic Investments in Florida Students, Families, and Communities

**TALLAHASSEE, Fla.** (April 4, 2023) — Today, the Florida House passed a budget which includes significant investments in three key areas: state infrastructure (\$19.2 billion), support for children and families (\$23 billion), and recognition of public service (\$2 billion). The House budget provides for the early retirement of \$137.1 million in state debt. It maintains a record level of planned reserves, totaling over \$12.4 billion, including \$7.5 billion in the General Revenue Fund, Unallocated, \$4.4 billion in the Budget Stabilization Fund, and \$500 million in the Emergency Preparedness and Response Fund.

"The House budget allocates funds to fortify our state, address long-term infrastructure needs, invest in Florida's workforce, transform how we deliver public education, and more," **said Speaker Paul Renner** (**R-Palm Coast**). "I commend Chair Leek and his Appropriations Subcommittee Chairs for delivering a balanced budget that upholds the shared goals and values of all Floridians."

"This budget elevates our state's most critical priorities to provide Floridians with needed relief, fund essential services, honor public employees, and keep our economy strong," said **Appropriations Chair, Tom Leek (R-Ormond Beach**). "I am grateful for the trust Speaker Renner has placed in me to craft this year's state budget. Our subcommittee chairs have worked diligently alongside House staff to make strategic investments for Florida's future. I look forward to working with our Senate partners to produce a final budget for the Governor's signature."

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