



SOUTHEAST FLORIDA
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SOUTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE COMPACT COUNTIES 2022 STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

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Concerning state legislation, regulations, and policies, the Compact Counties and other organizations adopting this document:

SUPPORT refinements to Section 380.093, Florida Statutes (Statewide Flooding and Sea Level Rise Resilience Plan) and related laws to clarify provisions, make provisions more flexible, and improve implementation.

SUPPORT legislation requiring state agencies to incorporate climate resilience in all aspects of capital planning and operations.

SUPPORT legislation to allow regional resilience entities like the Compact to conduct public meetings and workshops by means of communications media technology.

SUPPORT legislation requiring utilities to provide whole-building consumption and billing data to building owners.

SUPPORT policies expanding renewable energy and energy conservation opportunities in Florida and OPPOSE any changes that would eliminate or weaken existing policies.

SUPPORT higher energy, water, and resilience standards for new and existing buildings (including but not limited to energy conservation, renewable energy, drainage, flood elevation, wetproofing, and seawall requirements) to prepare for and lessen the impacts of future climate conditions through legislation, Florida Building Code amendments, and enhanced powers for local governments to enact local building code amendments.

SUPPORT repeal of Section 215.179, Florida Statutes, to restore local governments' ability to benefit financially from the federal Section 179D tax deduction for installation of certain energy efficiency features in government-owned buildings.