



# The Florida House of Representatives

Office of the Speaker

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Members of the Florida House of Representatives  
**From:** Daniel Perez, Speaker  
**Date:** February 6, 2025  
**Re:** Establishment of Combined Workgroups on Vetoed Budget Issues

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This term we have introduced to the House Rules the concept of a *combined workgroups*. The combined workgroups are designed to facilitate Member-to-Member conversations across jurisdictional silos over a fixed period of time with shortened notice requirements.

Chair Lawrence McClure in conjunction with Chairs Will Robinson, Josie Tomkow and Chuck Brannan have asked to create combined workgroups from budget and policy subcommittees to conduct a review of line-item vetoes from the 2024-25 General Appropriations Act (Chapter 2024 – 231, Laws of Florida). Per their request, I authorized the creation of the following four combined workgroups:

- **Combined Workgroup on Vetoed Human Services Budget Issues** composed of five members of the *Health Care Budget Subcommittee* chosen by Chair Alex Andrade and five members of the *Human Services Subcommittee* chosen by Chair Lauren Melo. I have appointed **Representative Mike Redondo** to serve as the Combined Workgroup Manager.
- **Combined Workgroup on Vetoed Justice Services Budget Issues** composed of five members of the *Justice Budget Subcommittee* chosen by Chair Patt Maney and five members of the *Criminal Justice Subcommittee* chosen by Chair Danny Alvarez. I have appointed **Representative David Smith** to serve as the Combined Workgroup Manager.

- **Combined Workgroup on Vetoed Water Programs Budget Issues** composed of five members of the *Agriculture and Natural Resources Budget Subcommittee* chosen by Chair Tiffany Esposito and five members of the *Natural Resources and Disasters Subcommittee* chosen by Chair Adam Botana. I have appointed **Representative Michelle Salzman** to serve as the Combined Workgroup Manager.
- **Combined Workgroup on Vetoed Libraries, Cultural and Historical Preservation Budget Issues** composed of five members of the *Transportation & Economic Development Budget Subcommittee* chosen by Chair Jason Shoaf and five members of the *Government Operations Subcommittee* chosen by Chair Linda Chaney. I have appointed **Representative Susan Plasencia** to serve as the Combined Workgroup Manager.

The workgroups will be authorized to meet beginning **Monday, February 10 for up to 10 days**. The authorized meeting schedule for combined workgroups will be very similar to the style we use for budget conference. General authorized meeting times will be available that any active workgroup may utilize. Workgroups are required to notice by 5:00pm the day before the workgroup meeting.

Upon conclusion of its work, each workgroup will submit its recommendation for further legislative action, if any, to their subcommittee chairs, the originating committee chair, and me.

#### Combined Workgroup on Vetoed Human Services Budget Issues

##### *Health Care Budget Subcommittee*

1. Mike Redondo, **MANAGER**
2. Hillary Cassel
3. Allison Tant
4. Dana Trabulsy
5. Kaylee Tuck

##### *Human Services Subcommittee*

1. Anna Eskamani
2. Karen Gonzalez-Pittman
3. Monique Miller
4. Bill Partington
5. Ryan Chamberlin

#### Combined Workgroup on Vetoed Justice Services Budget Issues

##### *Justice Budget Subcommittee*

1. David Smith, **MANAGER**
2. Nan Cobb
3. Mike Gottlieb
4. Berny Jacques
5. Juan Porras

##### *Criminal Justice Subcommittee*

1. Shane Abbott
2. Jessica Baker
3. Robbie Brackett
4. Tom Fabricio
5. Diane Hart

Combined Workgroup on Vetoed Water Programs Budget Issues

*Agriculture & Natural Resources*

*Budget Subcommittee*

1. Michelle Salzman, **MANAGER**
2. Jon Albert
3. Robin Bartleman
4. Yvette Benarroch
5. Meg Weinberger

*Natural Resources & Disasters Subcommittee*

1. Dean Black
2. Bill Conerly
3. Debbie Mayfield
4. Jim Mooney
5. Debra Tendrich

Combined Workgroup on Vetoed Libraries, Cultural and Historical Preservation Budget Issues

*Transportation & Economic Development*

*Budget Subcommittee*

1. Danny Alvarez
2. Lindsay Cross
3. Richard Gentry
4. Randy Maggard
5. Vanessa Oliver

*Government Operations Subcommittee*

1. Susan Plasencia, **MANAGER**
2. Fabian Basabe
3. Daryl Campbell
4. Sam Greco
5. Paula Stark