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Florida's Old and New Capitols

ver the course of the summer, Members of the Florida House and Senate have been traveling the state hosting a series of public meetings designed to gather citizen testimony on the needs of Florida's many diverse communities and the potential make-up of future state House, state Senate and Congressional district boundaries.

A total of 14 meetings have taken place across the Northwest, Northeast and Central regions of the state and more than 3,000 attendees have come out to participate in the once-in-a-decade Redistricting process. This is a great opportunity to participate in the process and I encourage you to attend the upcoming meeting in Stuart on August 15th.



2012 REDISTRICTING / PUBLIC INPUT MEETING

Several members of the public have delivered their 2012 Redistricting suggestions directly to Members of the Florida House and Senate using the state-of-the-art MyDistrictBuilder application which allow users to research and create their own redistricting suggestions for state House, State Senate and Congressional district maps.

The Florida House has already received 20 complete or partial proposed district maps created by users of MyDistrictBuilder and dozens more have submitted their ideas in writing.

Several members of the public have even chosen to present their creations during the state's Redistricting Public Input Tour. Additional map submissions are expected throughout the fall. You can share in and explore these submissions by checking out the Plan Explorer button at www.floridaredistricting.org.



For in-depth background information on the Redistricting process, visit or click the Florida Redistricting logo above: www.floridaredistricting.org

Mark your calendar for the next Redistricting Public Input Meeting

August 15, 2012

6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Blake Library 2351 SE Monterey Road Stuart, Florida 34996



Draft and submit your own district map using the state-of-the-art MyDistrictBuilder Page 2 Volume 3, Issue 16

Email Representative

Sponsored Bills

August 15 Redistricting Public Meeting August 25 IRC School Board Legislative Meeting September 6 North County Library Office Hours September 7 Brevard Delegation Meeting September 8 St. Lucie Delegation

Technology Corner:

Meeting

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OUT & ABOUT IN DISTRICT 80



Monthly Meeting 2012

- Enterprise Florida Meeting in Orlando
- South Beach Property Owner's
- State of the County Address
- Brevard Workforce
- St. Lucie Workforce Solutions
- Exchange Club
- Treasure Coast Builder's Association
- District Office Meetings
- Torrey Pines Institute
- St. Lucie County Commission
- Redistricting Meeting Brevard County
- FPL / Vero Beach Electric Presentation

Tax Free Holiday

Friday, Aug. 12 to Sunday, Aug. 14

- Clothing (up to \$75)
- School supplies (up to \$15)

HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE / CHOICES



The Florida Office of Insurance Regulation has re-launched an interactive program designed to assist Florida's homeowners to shop for homeowners' rates. The new system, called the <u>Consumer HomeOwners Insurance Comparison Electronic System</u> (CHOICES), is a revamp of an earlier system developed in 2007.

The system ranks companies' rates in a given county, along with company contact information, to encourage Floridians to shop for a better rate; the system also illustrates the competitiveness of the homeowners' insurance market in Florida and the benefits of shopping for insurance.

Consumers can access the interactive tool, <u>CHOICES</u>, through the Office of Insurance Regulation's website. The program assists consumers by allowing them to select between two standard risks, and pick any of Florida's 67 counties. By clicking on each county, consumers will see a pop-up window ranking the rates of leading insurers in these counties.

CHOICES was originally released in 2007 as shopandcomparerates.com; at its peak, the website received nearly 10,000 hits a month. The rate quotes are for illustrative purposes only, and reflect the most recent rate filings accepted by the Office. The listing of an insurance company in the CHOICES program does not constitute an endorsement. The rates do not reflect surcharges or discounts, and the Office of Insurance Regulation encourages consumers to contact their insurance agent, or the company directly to obtain an official premium quote.

The Florida Office of Insurance Regulation has primary responsibility for regulation, compliance and enforcement of statutes related to the business of insurance and the monitoring of industry markets. For more information about the Office, please visit www.floir.com.