



THIS WEEK IN TALLAHASSEE

FROM THE VOICE OF FLORIDA'S LAW ENFORCEMENT

FLORIDA LAWMAKERS CONVENE FOR SPECIAL SESSION ON ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION

FEBRUARY 11-14, 2025

This session was the result of a compromise between Republican legislative leaders and Governor Ron DeSantis. Legislators prioritized passing bills that enhance immigration enforcement and align with federal efforts to identify and deport undocumented immigrants.

Key Legislative Actions

- **Creation of a State Board of Immigration Enforcement**, which includes the governor, agriculture commissioner, attorney general, and chief financial officer.
- **\$250 million allocated** for a grant program to support law enforcement officers involved in Homeland Security immigration operations.
- **\$48.1 million allocated** to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for the construction and renovation of immigration enforcement facilities, including a new station along the I-10 corridor in North Florida.
 - This station is specifically tasked with curbing illegal immigration activities within the corridor.
- **Local law enforcement agencies are now required** to fully cooperate with federal authorities in enforcing immigration laws.
- **Implementation of state-level crimes** for immigrants who illegally enter or re-enter Florida.

PBA's legislative team continues to lobby on our priorities: **state employee pay raises, FRS COLA and our pro law enforcement policy issues addressing the three day wait exemption and Marsy's law.**