

Florida 2023 Legislative Session: Bills and UnidosUS Positions

Below is a list of current legislation introduced during the Florida 2023 session that UnidosUS, the country's largest Hispanic* civil rights organization, has taken an official position on. Bills are organized by issue area. Legislation with a ✓ are bills UnidosUS supports as they will provide a positive impact to our community. Legislation with ✗ are bills we oppose because of their harmful effect on Latino Floridians.



Education

We advocate for policies and programs that provide Latinos and English language learners with high-quality education from early childhood through college and beyond.

- ✓ **SB 524/HB 1089:** Native Language Assessments in Public Schools
- ✗ **SB 202/HB 1:** Education, "Universal School Vouchers"
- ✗ **SB 1320/HB 1223:** Public Pre-K-12 Educational Institution and Instruction Requirements, "Don't Say They"
- ✓ **SB 334/HB 389:** Menstrual Hygiene Products in Public Schools
- ✓ **SB 196/HB 141:** Guidance Services on Academic and Career Planning
- ✓ **SB 1376/HB 243:** School Nutrition Program Requirements
- ✗ **SB 266/HB 999:** Education, "Anti-DEI in Higher Education"



Health

We work to support the health and well-being of Latinos through policy analysis, advocacy, and partnerships with community organizations.

- ✓ **SB 1078/HB 511:** Eligibility for Medical Assistance and Related Services
- ✓ **SB 246/HB 121:** Florida KidCare Program Eligibility
- ✓ **SB 292/HB 307:** Healthy Food Financing Initiative Program

* The terms "Hispanic" and "Latino" are used interchangeably by the U.S. Census Bureau and throughout this document to refer to persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central and South American, Dominican, Spanish, and other Hispanic descent; they may be of any race. This document may also refer to this population as "Latinx" to represent the diversity of gender identities and expressions that are present in the community.



Housing and Financial Security

We strengthen the ability of Latinos to contribute to and share the nation's economic opportunities.

- ✓ **SB 114/HB 29:** Tax Exemption for Diapers and Incontinence Products
- ✗ **SB 1586/HB 1417:** Residential Tendencies, “Preemption of Tenants’ Bill of Rights”



Civil Rights and Voting

We fight to protect equality of opportunities for all Hispanics, close disparities, and remove unjust barriers that prevent any citizen from exercising their constitutional rights.

- ✗ **HJR 129:** Requiring Broader Public Support for Constitutional Amendments or Revisions
- ✗ **SB 1718/HB 1617:** Anti-immigrant
- ✓ **HB 1493:** Reemployment Assistance
- ✓ **SB 1560/HB 1249:** Limited English-proficient Voter Assistance
- ✓ **SB 706/HB 903:** Heat Illness Prevention
- ✗ **SB 7050/HB 7067:** Elections

About UnidosUS

UnidosUS is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that serves as the nation's largest Hispanic civil rights and advocacy organization. Since 1968, we have challenged the social, economic, and political barriers that affect Latinos through our unique combination of expert research, advocacy, programs, and an [Affiliate Network](#) of nearly 300 community-based organizations across the United States and Puerto Rico. We believe in an America where economic, political, and social progress is a reality for all Latinos, and we collaborate across communities to achieve it.

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