



The Champion for Business award symbolizes our gratitude for extraordinary efforts by legislators on behalf of the business community.

Throughout the 2022 Regular Session and Special Session D, these six legislators provided outstanding support on critical issues to AIF and our members.

Votes provide tangible evidence of whether a legislator supports the ability of Florida companies to prosper and operate free of overly burdensome state regulation and taxation. It is a valuable tool used by AIF and the business community to determine which legislators deserve our support. Yet voting records only tell part of the story.

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The *Champion for Business* is evidence that, in our efforts to let our members and their legislators know who has supported business and who hasn't, we leave no stone unturned.

In our collective wisdom, these six legislators are the epitome of what a *Champion for Business* should be. Whether they proposed an important bill, authored a key amendment, or toiled behind the scenes, these legislators are the ones who made a difference this session.



Senate President Wilton Simpson (R-Trilby)

President Wilton Simpson is receiving his third **Champion for Business Award**. Associated Industries of Florida applauds President Simpson for his steadfast leadership on behalf of the business community. AIF recognizes the impact that President Simpson had on preventing the increased costs and liability exposure that would have come from the proposed data privacy legislation. President Simpson's leadership also led to additional accountability for environmental spending in a way that ensures that all legal users have access to water resources while providing significant environmental enhancements.



Senator Kathleen Passidomo (R-Naples)

Sen. Kathleen Passidomo is receiving her fourth **Champion for Business Award**. Associated Industries of Florida applauds Sen. Passidomo for her diligent efforts in working closely with AIF on the proposed data privacy legislation and allowing the business community to provide input and feedback. AIF thanks Sen. Passidomo for her unwavering commitment to the Florida business community.



Senator Ben Albritton (R-Wauchula)

Sen. Ben Albritton is receiving his fourth **Champion for Business Award**. Associated Industries of Florida applauds Sen. Albritton for his efforts to provide additional accountability for environmental spending in a way that ensures that all legal users have access to water resources while providing significant environmental enhancements. Sen. Albritton also successfully championed legislation that allows agricultural producers to specifically tailor nutrient rates to environmental and crop needs.

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Senator Jim Boyd (R-Bradenton)

Sen. Jim Boyd is receiving his fifth **Champion for Business Award**. Associated Industries of Florida applauds Sen. Boyd for his efforts to provide solutions to Florida's property insurance crisis. During the Special Session on homeowner's insurance, Sen. Boyd led the Senate's efforts that resulted in significant reform aimed at reducing the impact of frivolous lawsuits on the insurance markets. Elements of this bill will reduce the significant pressure that property insurance premium payers see in the form of increasing rates and decreasing options. AIF is thankful for Sen. Boyd's continued efforts in this area.



Representative Jay Trumbull (R-Panama City)

Rep. Jay Trumbull is receiving his first **Champion for Business Award**. Associated Industries of Florida applauds Rep. Trumbull for his efforts to provide solutions to Florida's property insurance crisis. During the Special Session on homeowner's insurance, Rep. Trumbull led the House's efforts that resulted in significant reform aimed at reducing the impact of frivolous lawsuits on the insurance markets. Elements of this bill will reduce the significant pressure that property insurance premium payers see in the form of increasing rates and decreasing options. AIF is thankful for Rep. Trumbull's efforts in this area.



Representative Andrew Learned (D-Brandon)

Rep. Andrew Learned is receiving his first **Champion for Business Award**. Associated Industries of Florida applauds Rep. Learned for his efforts to make significant changes to the consumer data privacy legislation. Rep. Learned offered multiple amendments that would have dramatically limited the scope of the bill and would have provided meaningful changes to the most egregious parts of the legislation. AIF thanks Rep. Learned for listening to the business community and making compelling arguments on its behalf.

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