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Florida regulators to insurance companies: no more games on rates

For years, insurance companies have routinely sought rate increases just shy of 15%, avoiding a public rate hearing required under state law. Florida regulators have had enoughof the tactic.

Florida emergency management executive director offers tips to prepare for hurricane season

The head of Florida's Division of Emergency Management says now is the time to prepare for the expected busy hurricane season, including taking advantage of the current sales-tax holiday on hurricane supplies.



Tax collections top estimate

State general-revenue tax collections were 8 percent higher than anticipated in April, according to a report released Monday by the Legislature's Office of Economic & Demographic Research.

Why Florida is experiencing a teacher shortage

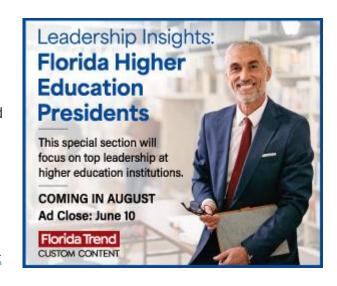
The problem is not unique to Florida. 86% of U.S. K-12 public schools had challenges hiring teachers for the 2023-24 school year. But Florida leads the way when it comes to measurable teacher vacancy numbers among the 50 states.

<u>Firefighters battle wildfires across drought-stricken areas of Florida</u>

Firefighters across central and southern Florida are battling wildfires that have temporarily shut down highways and caused some residents to be evacuated.

Also around Florida:

- · Central Florida property values are surging. Here's where.
- · Pasco sheriff asks for 9% budget increase but says that is not



enough

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Who said that?

"The probability of something going wrong is slim. Unfortunately, it did go wrong."

Video Pick

At 96 years old, Bob Brocklehurst needs a little more help boarding a plane than he did back in the day. But give him a second and he's right at home. With a grin and a thumbs-up, the World War II veteran took off from Tampa in a P-51 Mustang, similar to those he flew in the war. Video report.

