



**Santa Rosa County  
Legislative Session Summary  
2016**

Unlike last year, the Legislature passed the budget on time and with Democrats joining in the vote to pass the \$82.3 billion spending plan. Overall, the Governor's tax cut proposal of \$1 billion was narrowed to \$400 million and his request to set aside \$250 million for incentives to attract new businesses to Florida and his agreement with the Seminole Tribe on gambling in Florida both failed to pass.

**FUNDING ISSUES**

I-10 Industrial Park — \$1 million

*Senator Latvala led the way in funding this new project and included \$1 million in his initial budget offer. Representative Broxson sponsored the request in the House and Chairman Ingram matched the funding in his budget. Funding includes capital Improvements at the NW Florida Industrial Park which includes roads, water and sewer lines, storm water improvements and marketing costs.*

Navarre Beach Renourishment — \$5.7 million

*For the second year in a row, Representative Broxson championed the funding for Navarre Beach. Funding will complete the project which is critical to the economic recovery of Santa Rosa County from the damages inflicted by the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill.*

Holly by the Sea Camden Road Outfall Improvement water project — \$650,000

*Representative Broxson worked with Chairman Albritton to ensure Santa Rosa County received funds for a water project.*

Agriplex — \$643,500

*After several years as the top ranked agriculture project, Santa Rosa County's Agriplex received full funding this year.*

**Total Funding 2016 — \$7,408,500**

**SUBSTANTIVE**

SCOP — Language to increase the population definition for small counties passed in HB 7061. The definition is permanently changed in statute to 170,000 people.

DJJ Bill — SB 1322 (Latvala) provides a compromise for counties and the state in payment of DJJ costs.