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November 7 is Election Day

Most Notable Primary Election Outcomes are in the Florida Senate

*Incumbent Senator Alex Villalobos
wins his primary regardless of a
massive effort to unseat him – his*

return means a continuation of the fight for the Senate Presidency.



This *Capitol Report* contains a list of all state candidates advancing to the November 2006 General Election as a result of yesterday's Primary Elections. Candidates with a "(W)" or "(N)" affiliation attached to their name represent, for the most part, minor opposition at the General Election. In these races it is safe to assume that the major party candidate wins. Candidates showing no opposition are elected.

Battleground state legislative races to watch in the Florida Senate will be districts 14 (Gainesville and surrounding area) and 16 (Tampa Bay area). The outcome of these races could very well change the power base in the Florida Senate.

Returning Senator Alex Villalobos (R-Miami) – having won yesterday's Primary – is now hoping to corral all of the Senate Democrats and some Republicans to take back his lost bid for the 2009-10 Senate Presidency from Senator Jeff Atwater (R-West Palm Beach). The ongoing riff has caused a severe split within the Senate Republican Caucus and now threatens the work of the Senate in the near future. The current Senate President-Designee is Ken Pruitt (R-Port St. Lucie).

We do not expect the power-base to shift in the House of Representatives, but watch districts 11 (Gainesville), 22 (Ocala), and 51 (St. Petersburg). The current Speaker-Designee is Marco Rubio (R-Miami).

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GENERAL ELECTION STATE SENATE

District 2

Durell Peadar (R)

District 4

Don Gaetz (R)

District 6

Al Lawson (D)

District 8

Joseph Ellyson (W)
Jim King (R)
Marsha Morrison (W)

District 10 (Lee)

Victoria Brake (W)
Stephen Gorham (D)
Ronda Storms (R)

District 12

Victor Crist (R)
C. Burt Linthicum (C)

District 14 (Smith)

Ed Jennings (D)
Steve Oelrich (R)

District 16 (Sebesta)

Kim Berfield (R)
Charlie Justice (D)

District 18 (Miller)

Arthenia Joyner (D)
Eric Suntich (W)

District 20

Carey Baker (R)

District 22

Lee Constantine (R)
Jeremiah Jaspon (D)

District 24

Bill Posey (R)

District 26

Mike Haridopolos (R)

District 28

Ken Pruitt (R)
Stan Smilan (D)

District 30 (Klein)

Ted Deutch (D)
Karl Dickey (L)
George Harageones (W)

District 32 (Campbell)

Kenneth Lunkins (W)
Jeremy Ring (D)

District 34

Nan Rich (D)

District 36

Alex Diaz de la Portilla (R)
Angie Rodriguez (W)

District 38

Leighton Lang (N)
Alejandro Rizo (W)
Alex Villalobos (R)

District 40

Rudy Garcia (R)

GENERAL ELECTION
STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**District 1***Greg Evers (R)***District 2***Dave Murzin (R)***District 3***Holly Benson (R)*
Elizabeth Campbell (D)**District 4***Ray Sansom (R)***District 5***Don Brown (R)*
Toreatha Hayes-Mitchell (W)**District 6 (Bense)**George Mac Brogdon (W)
Janice Lucas (D)
Jimmy Patronis (R)**District 7***Marti Coley (R)***District 8***Curtis Richardson (D)***District 9***Loranne Ausley (D)***District 10***Will Kendrick (D)***District 11 (Stansel)**Debbie Boyd (D)
David Pope (R)**District 12***Aaron Bean (R)***District 13***Jennifer Carroll (R)***District 14***Terry Fields (D)*
Donald Foy (R)**District 15***Audrey Gibson (D)*
Cheryl Waters (W)**District 16***Mark Mahon (R)***District 17***Stan Jordan (R)***District 18***Don Davis (R)***District 19***Dick Kravitz (R)***District 20***Bill Proctor (R)***District 21***Joe Pickens (R)***District 22***Larry Cretul (R)*
Macky Thurman (D)**District 23 (Jennings)**Chuck Chestnut (D)
Cain Davis (R)**District 24***Dennis Baxley (R)*
James Walker (D)**District 25***Alan Hays (R)***District 26**Ronald Cahen (D)
Pat Patterson (R)**District 27***Joyce Cusack (D)*
Dave Hood (R)

District 28

Dorothy Hukill (R)
William Smalley (D)

District 29

Ralph Poppell (R)

District 30

Thad Altman (R)

District 31

Johnny Myers (W)
Mitch Needelman (R)
Tim Shipe (D)

District 32

Bob Allen (R)
Edward Brown (W)

District 33

Sandy Adams (R)
Ernie Langdon (D)
Franklin Perez (N)

District 34

David Mealar (R)

District 35

Dean Cannon (R)
David Odom (W)

District 36

Sheri McInvale (R)
Scott Randolph (D)

District 37

David Simmons (R)

District 38 (Brummer)

Bryan Nelson (R)

District 39 (Antone)

Earl Olden (W)
Geraldine Thompson (D)

District 40

Andy Gardiner (R)
Darren Soto (D)

District 41 (Johnson)

Rod Drury (W)
Bill McManus (D)
Steve Precourt (R)

District 42

Hugh Gibson (R)
Robert Thompson (D)

District 43

Charlie Dean (R)

District 44 (Russell)

Glenn Claytor (D)
Robert Schenck (R)

District 45

Tom Anderson (R)
Chris Hrabovsky (D)

District 46

John Legg (R)

District 47

Kevin Ambler (R)
Daniel Suarez (D)

District 48 (Bilirakis)

Peter Nehr (R)
Carl "Z" Zimmermann (D)

District 49

John "Q" Quinones (R)
Ruth Ann Raia (D)

District 50 (Berfield)

Ed Hooper (R)
Candice Jovan (D)

District 51 (Waters)

Janet Long (D)
Dottie Reeder (R)

District 52 (Farkas)

Angelo Cappelli (R)
Bill Heller (D)

District 53 (Justice)

Rick Kriseman (D)
Thomas Piccolo (R)

District 54 (Rice)

Jim Frishe (R)
Betsy Valentine (D)

District 55

Frank Peterman (D)

District 56

Lee Nelson (D)
Trey Traviesa (R)

District 57

Brian Becker (G)
Deborah Cope (D)
Faye Culp (R)

District 58 (Henriquez)

Alfred Ruiz (R)
Michael Scionti (D)

District 59 (Joyner)

Willis "K.C." Bowick (R)
Betty Reed (D)

District 60

Ed Homan (R)
Karen Perez (D)

District 61

Donovan Brown (D)
Ken Littlefield (R)

District 62

Rich Glorioso (R)
Jeremy Zelanis (D)

District 63 (Ross)

Jim Davis (D)
Seth McKeel (R)

District 64 (Stargel)

Dennis Ross (R)

District 65

Marty Bowen (R)

District 66

Baxter Troutman (R)

District 67

Ron Reagan (R)

District 68

Bill Galvano (R)

District 69 (Clarke)

Laura Benson (R)
Keith Fitzgerald (D)

District 70 (Detert)

Doug Holder (R)
David Shapiro (D)

District 71

Michael Grant (R)
Robert Peter Rice (W)

District 72

Paige Kreegel (R)

District 73 (Kyle)

Pete Burkert (D)
Nick Thompson (R)

District 74

Jeff Kottkamp (R)

District 75

Trudi Williams (R)

District 76 (Goodlette)

Ken MacPherson (C)
Garrett Richter (R)

District 77

Denise Grimsley (R)
Zane Thomas (D)

District 78

Richard Machek (D)

District 79

Frank Attkisson (R)
Beulah Farquharson (D)

District 80*Stan Mayfield (R)***District 81***Gayle Harrell (R)**Bill Ramos (D)***District 82 (Negron)***Catherine Hilton (D)**William Snyder (R)***District 83***Carl Domino (R)**Rick Ford (D)***District 84***Priscilla Taylor (D)***District 85***Robert Siedlecki (R)**Shelley Vana (D)***District 86 (Gannon)***Kathleen Faherty-Ruby (W)**Maria Sachs (D)***District 87***Adam Hasner (R)**Ed Kopf (D)***District 88***Susan Bucher (D)***District 89***Mary Brandenburg (D)***District 90 (Slosberg)***Manuel Press (W)**Kelly Skidmore (D)***District 91***Ellyn Bogdanoff (R)**Christian Chiari (D)***District 92***Jack Seiler (D)***District 93 (Smith)***Henry Bonner (W)**Nick "James Dad" Sakhnovsky (N)**Perry Thurston (D)***District 94***Matthew Meadows (D)***District 95 (Greenstein)***Jim Waldman (D)***District 96***Ari Porth (D)***District 97***Susan Goldstein (R)**Martin Kiar (D)***District 98***Franklin Sands (D)***District 99 (Sobel)***Andrew Housman (W)**Elaine Schwartz (D)**Juan Selaya (R)***District 100 (Ryan)***Evan Jenne (D)***District 101***Mike Davis (R)***District 102***Ralph Arza (R)**Manuel Riera (W)***District 103***Tee Holloway (D)***District 104***Yolly Roberson (D)**Jie Wells (W)***District 105 (Gottlieb)***Joe Gibbons (D)***District 106***Dan Gelber (D)*

District 107 (Barreiro)

Frank Carollo (R)
Luis Garcia (D)

District 108 (Brutus)

Ronald Brisé (D)
Prospero Herrera (R)

District 109

Dorothy Bendross-Mindingall (D)
Sarah Ruth Robinett (W)

District 110

Alex Dueso (W)
Rene Garcia (R)

District 111

Brenda Hernandez (W)
Marco Rubio (R)

District 112

David Rivera (R)
Christina Sanchez (W)

District 113

Nicole Abrante (W)
Carlos Lopez-Cantera (R)

District 114

Anitere Flores (R)

District 115

J.C. Planas (R)
Aileen Valdes (W)

District 116

Meliza Duranona (W)
Marcelo Llorente (R)

District 117

Julio Robaina (R)

District 118

Ed Bullard (D)

District 119

Roy Bustillo (W)
Juan Zapata (R)

District 120 (Sorensen)

Bob (W)
David Rice (R)
Ron Saunders (D)

"In the state Senate, Villalobos also had few close friends. And those he thought were his allies, such as Lake Wales' Sen. J.D. Alexander and North Palm Beach's Jeff Atwater, helped oust him as Senate president for the two-year term beginning in 2008. Taking Villalobos' post was Atwater, who once wore a gold cross Villalobos brought to the pope for a blessing."

"Villalobos insists that he can still be Senate president. If so, he'll need the support of all 14 Democrats -- a likely possibility -- plus six Republican senators in the 40-member chamber. One of those senators, Nancy Argenziano of Crystal River, suggested Bush was a "dictator" for his involvement in the race.

Miami Herald, September 6, 2006
-- "State Sen. Villalobos barely squeaks by"
BY MARC CAPUTO

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