



# Florida Appealability of Temporary Family-Law Orders Act

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## Re: Request to sponsor expedited review of temporary orders that substantially affect parent-child rights

As a Florida constituent, I respectfully ask you to sponsor and support the Florida Appealability of Temporary Family-Law Orders Act.

Florida's appellate rules permit immediate review of certain nonfinal orders, including defined categories of injunction and monetary-relief orders. Yet some temporary family-law orders that suspend or materially restrict custody, time-sharing, access, or communication may remain outside ordinary immediate review. Although labeled temporary, these orders can last for months, shape a child's status quo, and cause harm that a later appeal cannot fully repair.

This proposal would create a narrow, expedited path for interlocutory review when a temporary order substantially restricts the parent-child relationship or determines another essential family right. The legislation should establish a clear filing procedure, priority handling, and an appropriate threshold for review. An appeal should not automatically stay the trial case, and courts should retain authority to protect children while review is pending.

The goal is not routine piecemeal litigation. It is timely oversight for orders with potentially irreversible consequences. Please consider sponsoring this reform and coordinating with the Florida Supreme Court's rulemaking process so the statutory and appellate procedures work together. I would welcome a brief call with you or your staff.

Respectfully submitted,

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