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**SARASOTA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER  
1660 RINGLING BOULEVARD  
COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBER  
SARASOTA, FLORIDA**

1:30 p.m.

Nora Patterson, Chair, District 4  
Shannon Staub, Vice Chair, District 3  
Paul H. Mercier, District 1  
Joseph A. Barbetta, District 2  
Jon Thaxton, District 5

Also present were:

James Ley, County Administrator  
Stephen DeMarsh, County Attorney  
Latressa Preston, Deputy Clerk

**JOINT MEETING WITH THE LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION**

**1. ADMINISTRATION**

The Board considered the proposed Tax Reform Legislation.

Staff Presenters: County Administrator James Ley and Chief Financial Planning Officer Jeffrey Seward

Public Presenters: State Representatives Doug Holder, Michael Grant, Keith Fitzgerald, and Ron Reagan

2:23:16 Board Action: Requested that the State Legislative Delegation consider review of alternative funding sources relative to tax relief (i.e. sales tax exemptions, internet sales tax, localize the real estate transfer tax, and ad valorem tax) and affordable housing options. Requested by Mercier, without objection.

2:28:16 Board Action: Requested that the State Legislative Delegation consider school tax in the roll-back based tax plans. Requested by Barbetta, without objection.

**2. OTHER BUSINESS** - No items were presented.

(3:17:06)

**3. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Norm Lupo, John Lewis, and Marie Nisco commented on the Tax Reform Legislation.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 3:25 p.m.

**MINUTES APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Chair