



**Hillsborough
Soil & Water**
Conservation District
Florida



Hillsborough Soil and Water Conservation District representatives traveled March 21-23 to Washington, D.C. to meet with legislators. A key topic of discussion concerned renewal of the U.S. Farm Bill, which addresses national agriculture, nutrition, conservation, and forestry policy.



Mark Proctor, chair of the HSWCD Board of Supervisors; **Robert “Myke” Morris**, board treasurer; and **Betty Jo Tompkins**, HSWCD Executive Director, met with the following legislators:

- U.S. Rep. Gus M. Bilirakis (R-FL-12)
- U.S. Rep. Laurel Lee (R-FL-15)
- U.S. Rep. Kat Cammack (R-FL-3)
- U.S. Rep. Dan Crenshaw (R-TX-2)

HSWCD representatives had visits with staff from the following Congressional Offices:

- U.S. Rep. Kathy Castor (D-FL-14)
- U.S. Rep. Scott Franklin (R-FL-18)
- U.S. Rep. Anna Paulina Luna (R-FL-13)
- U.S. Rep. Darren Soto (D-FL-9)
- U.S. Rep. Vern Buchanan (R-FL-16)
- U.S. Rep. Laurel Lee (R-FL-15)
- U.S. Rep. Gus Bilirakis (R-FL-12)



Above, from left, Robert “Myke” Morris, Betty Jo Tompkins, U.S. Rep. Gus Bilirakis, Mark Proctor, U.S. Rep. Kat Cammack and U.S. Rep. Dan Crenshaw.



At left, Betty Jo Tompkins, Mark Proctor and Myke Morris, with U.S. Rep. Laurel Lee.

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