

## FLA. LOTTERY

## SELECTED MONDAY, APRIL 6

Midday Cash 3	9-8-6
Midday Play 4	8-0-1-6
Night Cash 3	6-8-2
Night Play 4	3-1-5-8
Fantasy 5	2-5-15-23-31

## SUNDAY, APRIL 5

FANTASY 5: 4-8-18-24-35

CORRECT	PAYOFF	WINNERS
5 of 5	\$59,705.38	3
4 of 5	\$97.50	296
3 of 5	\$9.50	8,115

## SATURDAY, APRIL 4

FANTASY 5: 11-12-21-22-26

CORRECT	PAYOFF	WINNERS
5 of 5	\$55,460.86	5
4 of 5	\$91.50	488
3 of 5	\$8.50	13,955

LOTTO: 3-5-9-18-47-49 (Xtra: x4)

CORRECT	PAYOFF	WINNERS
6 of 6	\$0	0
5 of 6	\$4,114.50	35
4 of 6	\$55.50	1,997
3 of 6	\$5	39,189

Wednesday's jackpot: \$11 million

POWERBALL: 33-39-40-41-54 +28  
(Xtra: x3)

CORRECT	PAYOFF	WINNERS
5 of 5+1	\$0	0
5 of 5	\$0	0
4 of 5+1	\$0	0
4 of 5	\$100	63
3 of 5+1	\$100	81
3 of 5	\$7	2,828
2 of 5+1	\$7	1,378
1 of 5+1	\$4	8,914
0 of 5+1	\$4	20,423

Wednesday's jackpot: \$70 million

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## MIAMI

## Court to hear financial case

## • LAWSUIT, FROM 1B

ion is also fighting to undo changes to a pension system that once afforded the best-paid, longest-serving public safety workers pensions in excess of \$150,000 a year.

That system was created through negotiations between the city and its unions. But after the promises city officials made became too expensive to pay out, city commissioners imposed a cap on retirement benefits at \$100,000. The decision — made at a time when federal authorities were months into investigating whether illegal money transfers helped balance Miami's books in previous

years — incensed employees.

"They took their financial difficulties, many of which were their own making, and decided to settle it on the backs of their employees," police union attorney Ronald J. Cohen said. "We don't think they can cancel the contract in the middle and take all their savings off the backs of their employees."

Other agencies, however, did the same as Miami. The Manatee School Board declared financial urgency in 2008. Hollywood declared financial urgency while facing a multimillion budget deficit in 2011 and cut police and firefighters' compensa-

tion by 12 percent. On the southwest coast of Florida, the East Naples Fire Control and Rescue District also cited the state law in reopening its contract with the area's fire union.

Miami declared financial urgency three years in a row, even simultaneously lowering taxes in 2011, although its police union is only challenging the cuts imposed in 2010.

Chip Morrison, general counsel of the Florida League of Cities, which filed a friend-of-the-court brief in the case, says cities need the ability to reopen union contracts in dire times, considering that employee wages and benefits often make up

more than half of a local government's daily expenses.

"When there is a bona fide emergency, I think all bets are off and no expenditure should be sacrosanct," he said.

Alfonso said the city would prevail, having defeated the union before the Public Employee Relations Commission and the First District Court of Appeal in Tallahassee. But union leaders are equally confident, and the courts aren't set on the issue. The Fourth District Court of Appeal sided with Hollywood's fire union in a conflicting opinion.

Miami's firefighter union president, Freddy Delgado, said his union has also ap-

pealed its financial urgency case to the Florida Supreme Court, and he believes public employees need to stop elected officials from being able to circumvent bargaining.

"If they say it's legal," he said, "then any second they'll just declare financial urgency on us."

Alfonso said Miami's negotiating team inserted a clause into the current police union contract capping the city's liability in the financial urgency lawsuit from growing. But he said there's still five years' worth of costs being debated.

"We feel we have a strong case," Alfonso said. "But you never know."

## POLITICS

## Bush erred on voter form

## • HISPANIC, FROM 1B

The Miami-Dade elections department requires a hard copy of the form, which needs the applicant's signature.

Bush's wife, Columba, is Mexican American, so she and their children are Hispanic. And Bush is, in the literal sense of the word, "Hispanic" — that is, he speaks Spanish. He met his wife in León, Mexico, and as a young married couple they lived in Caracas.

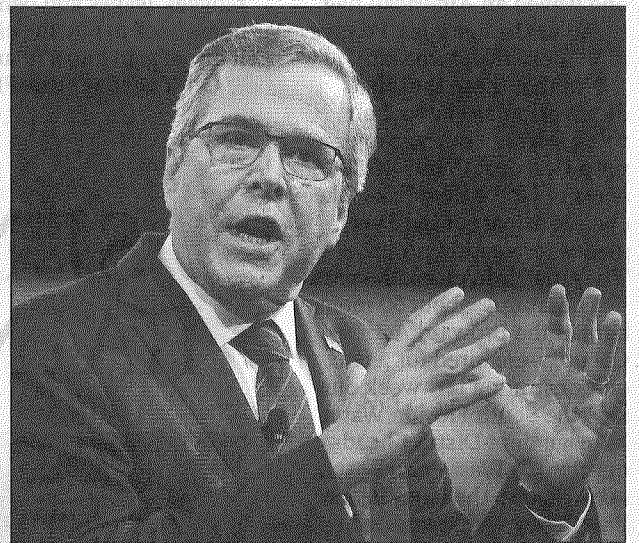
Politicians have been dragged down in the past by messing up on government forms. In 2012, Massachusetts Democrat Elizabeth Warren misrepresented herself as a Native American during her Senate race, prompting significant backlash. For Bush, identifying as Hispanic wouldn't have resulted in any political gain.

Miami's Cuban Americans already consider Bush an honorary member of their community, given that his ties to the exile establish-

ment run so deep.

Florida law requires proof of "willful" deceit to penalize someone for misrepresenting information on a voter form, Democratic elections lawyer Ron Meyer said. Bush appears to have just been careless.

"A person who willfully swears falsely to any oath is guilty of a felony. The question is, was it sloppy or was he trying indeed to pass as a Hispanic?" Meyer said. "It's at least embarrassing, if not prison-worthy."



CAROLYN KASTER/AP

**OOPS:** Jeb Bush listed his ethnicity on a Miami-Dade County voter-registration form as 'Hispanic.'

## ENVIRONMENT

## Wildlife study flags Florida

## • WILDLIFE, FROM 1B

east that may face development threats.

National parks — long considered a key to conservation efforts — it turns out, may not be doing what you'd think.

"What we protected is the opposite of the patterns of species we should be most worried about," said lead author Clinton Jenkins, a visiting professor at Brazil's Institute for Ecological Research.

Pinpointing the mismatch is important, Jenkins said, because habitat loss is the leading cause of extinction on the planet. Species are now estimated to be going extinct at a yearly rate of between .01 and 1 percent — a massive acceleration due to human activity, according to the International Union for the Conservation of Nature.

To produce the study, published Monday in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Jen-

kins and scientists with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Duke University and the University of Maryland looked at 3,000 mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, freshwater fish and trees to create biodiversity maps. They then compared that to the nation's portfolio of protected land in the lower 48 states. A substantial amount, about 8 percent, is protected and includes a large swaths in private ownership shielded with conservation easements, the study said. But areas set aside for conservation poorly reflect the needs of rare plants and animals found only in specific places like pine rockland and tropical hammocks in the Florida Keys.

"The U.S. has protected many areas, but it has yet to protect many of the most biologically important parts of the country," Jenkins said.

The study was edited by E.O. Wilson, a Harvard University entomologist whose work helped define the importance of biodiversity. In

useful for anything else. So the eastern United States, already in private ownership, got shorted. South Florida's three largest conservation areas cover wetlands and Biscayne Bay.

In ranking hotspots, Jenkins and his team considered not just the distribution of the species, but whether any of their range was already protected.

The team targeted nine regions for concern, starting with the Blue Ridge Mountains, Sierra Nevada Mountains, the California Coast and watersheds in Tennessee, Alabama and north Georgia where thick forests and shallow pools hide a menagerie of salamanders and fish living in solitude for eons. The Florida Panhandle and Keys ranked five and six on the list, followed by Oregon's Klamath Mountains, south-central Texas and the Channel Islands in California.

Jenkins, who researched parts of the Everglades for his doctoral study, said South Florida's trees won't



MIAMI-DADE METROPOLITAN  
PLANNING ORGANIZATION

### Federal Highway and Federal Transit Administrations Conduct Public Review of the Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization

Every four years the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) conduct a review of the Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) transportation planning process as required by law. The Federal Team will conduct this evaluation in the 10th Floor CITT Conference Room of the Stephen P. Clark Center, 111 NW First Street, Miami, Florida 33128 on Wednesday, April 22, 2015 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM and Thursday, April 23, 2015 from 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM. The primary purpose of the certification review is to evaluate the MPO's compliance with Federal regulations.

## PUBLIC MEETING

In addition, a Public Meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at 4:30 PM in the 10th Floor CITT Conference Room of the Stephen P. Clark Center, 111 NW First Street, Miami, Florida, 33128 to provide the general public an opportunity to express their thoughts about the transportation planning process, allow the Federal Team to obtain a better understanding of the community's issues, and inform the public about the Federal transportation planning requirements. All interested parties are invited to attend.

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