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Commissioners:

It's one thing to have your beaches rated number one in the country, but it's an entirely different recognition when you have the highest auto insurance, the highest homeowners insurance and the fourth highest utility costs in the entire country!

Enough is enough, when will this commission realize the pressures citizens of our state are under, just to be able to afford to put food on their table and keep their homes safely cooled during our oppressive summertime heat?

It's very easy to throw out some buzz words like inflation and how Covid somehow impacted our power companies forcing them to seek additional rate increases, which historically, this commission seems willingly ready to continually approve.

Isn't it time for these power companies to be told NO ? Shouldn't they too be asked to find ways to save by finding new alternatives for producing electricity?

I have attached a very informative article by Emily Mahoney, who writes for the Tampa Bay Times. I have found her to be an excellent journalist, one who provides accurate and fully researched information to her readers. I hope you will each take the time to read this, and then, realize that residents of Florida need assistance from each of you when it comes to managing these big power companies. It's time you take a stand and simply say NO!

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Students continue protests in Florida

State, school officials said they will allow free speech, but won't allow the anti-war demonstrations to get out of hand.

By JENNIFER A. GRUNBERG AND DAVID HAYES

Tampa, Fla. (AP) — A day after Florida state officials warned college students that they must be respectful to campus officials, a professor at the University of Florida said that the state's new laws will allow free speech, but won't allow the protests to get out of hand, as have been at other schools around the state.

Protests continued at the University of South Florida and the University of Florida, which continue to be followed by the same news outlet.



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