

# Meet United States Senator for Florida George LeMieux

Senator George LeMieux will convene a **Town Hall meeting** at the Beach Community Center (3351 NE 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue) on **Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, at 1:30 PM**. In addition to meeting the man chosen by Governor Charlie Crist to fill the seat vacated by former Senator Mel Martinez, we have been afforded an opportunity to address a \$multi-million sprinkler retrofit assessment facing high rise associations across the state.

- A DBPR Sprinkler Retrofit Report mandated by the Governor revealed that the insurance industry refuted any “life safety” benefit of the statutory sprinkler retrofit, rating it as unworthy of ANY rate reduction.
- Although its provisions have **twice been unanimously approved by the Florida House and Senate**, the Governor has indicated that he might again veto a sprinkler retrofit relief bill (HB 561), threatening to push hundreds of additional Galt Mile residents into foreclosure.
- We will ask Senator LeMieux, a close political ally of the Governor, to express our concerns and request that Governor Crist support his constituents, not a \$multi-billion stimulus package for the Sprinkler Industry and the Plumbers & Pipefitters Union - **WHOLLY FUNDED BY US**.

Of Course, the message will carry much greater weight if conveyed by a room filled with concerned residents. Come and meet the Senator on Monday afternoon and help avoid the \$8,000 to \$18,000 per unit special assessment to perform this unnecessary retrofit. After all – **it’s YOUR MONEY!**

- Registration (sign-in) will run from 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM.
- Arrive early - space is limited. There is free on site parking.
- Also – if you have anything to say to our local public officials, this is your chance. **They will all be in attendance.**
- For additional information, contact Galt Mile Community Association President **Pio Ieraci** at **954-489-9430**.

**See You There!**