

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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Senator Bennett moved the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 16 - 41

and insert:

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(1) A county may not impose a fee or seek reimbursement for any costs or expenses that may be incurred for services provided by a first responder, including costs or expenses related to personnel, supplies, motor vehicles, or equipment in response to a motor vehicle accident, except for costs of materials to contain or clean up hazardous waste in quantities reportable to the State Warning Point at the Division of Emergency Management within the Department of Community Affairs.

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(2) As used in this section, the term "first responder" means a law enforcement officer as defined in s. 943.10, a firefighter as defined in s. 633.30, or an emergency medical technician or paramedic as defined in s. 401.23 who is employed by the state or a local government. A volunteer law enforcement officer, firefighter, or emergency medical technician or paramedic engaged by the state or a local government is also considered a first responder of the state or local government for purposes of this section.

Section 2. Section 166.0446, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

166.0446 Prohibition of fees for first-responder services.-

(1) A municipality may not impose a fee or seek reimbursement for any costs or expenses that may be incurred for services provided by a first responder, including costs or expenses related to personnel, supplies, motor vehicles, or equipment in response to a motor vehicle accident, except for costs of materials to contain or clean up hazardous waste in quantities reportable to the State Warning Point at the Division of Emergency Management within the Department of Community Affairs.