

Bill No. SB 232

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The Committee on Domestic Security (Constantine) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause

and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (3) is added to section 252.32, Florida Statutes, to read:

252.32 Policy and purpose.--

(3) The Legislature, as a matter of public policy, encourages counties and municipalities to explore the use of emerging technologies as a means of disseminating information to the public before, during, and after an emergency or natural disaster. Use of the Internet, e-mail, text messaging, and emergency telephone notification should be considered in formulating strategies and plans for public communications

Section 2. Paragraphs (c) and (d) are added to subsection (3) of section 252.38, Florida Statutes, to read:

252.38 Emergency management powers of political subdivisions.--Safeguarding the life and property of its

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1 citizens is an innate responsibility of the governing body of
2 each political subdivision of the state.

3 (3) EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT POWERS; POLITICAL
4 SUBDIVISIONS.--

5 (c) A county or municipality may establish a volunteer
6 disaster assistance recovery program within the county or
7 municipality for the purpose of facilitating and improving
8 communications between emergency managers and the public in
9 the event of an emergency or natural disaster, and for the
10 purpose of delivering supplies and services through
11 prearranged agreements with local businesses. Local
12 governments may form disaster assistance recovery advisory
13 committees to negotiate voluntary compliance standards and
14 agreements with local businesses for the provision of goods
15 and services in the period immediately preceding, during, and
16 immediately after a declared emergency. The members of the
17 disaster assistance recovery advisory committee shall include,
18 but need not be limited to, residents of the county or
19 municipality and owners of businesses that are located within
20 the county or municipality.

21 (d) Pursuant to s. 252.41, a county or municipality
22 may require a representative of a private utility company be
23 present at its local emergency operations center for purposes
24 of coordination during an actual emergency or natural disaster
25 if other adequate means of coordination cannot be readily
26 established.

27 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
28 law.

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2 And the title is amended as follows:

3 Delete everything before the enacting clause

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5 and insert:

6 A bill to be entitled

7 An act relating to emergency management;

8 amending s. 252.32, F.S.; providing that it is

9 the policy of the Legislature to encourage

10 counties and municipalities to explore the use

11 of emerging technologies for the purpose of

12 disseminating information to the public before,

13 during, and after an emergency or natural

14 disaster; amending s. 252.38, F.S.; authorizing

15 a county or municipality to establish a

16 volunteer disaster assistance recovery program;

17 authorizing advisory committees to negotiate

18 voluntary compliance standards and agreements

19 with local businesses; authorizing a county or

20 municipality to require that a representative

21 of a private utility be present at the local

22 emergency operations center for purposes of

23 coordination during an emergency or natural

24 disaster; providing an effective date.

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