

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Division of Emergency Management of
 3 the Department of Community Affairs; amending s. 20.18,
 4 F.S.; providing that the director of the Division of
 5 Emergency Management be designated as agency head of the
 6 division; providing for appointment of the director by the
 7 Governor; providing that the division is a separate budget
 8 entity, not subject to control by the department;
 9 providing for an agreement between the division and
 10 department for certain services; prescribing duties of the
 11 division; providing an effective date.

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 13 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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15 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section
 16 20.18, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

17 20.18 Department of Community Affairs.--There is created a
 18 Department of Community Affairs.

19 (2) The following units of the Department of Community
 20 Affairs are established:

21 (a) Division of Emergency Management. The division is a
 22 separate budget entity and is not subject to control,
 23 supervision, or direction by the Department of Community Affairs
 24 in any manner, including, but not limited to, personnel,
 25 purchasing, transactions involving personal property, and
 26 budgetary matters. The division director shall be appointed by
 27 the Governor, shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor, and

28 | shall be the agency head of the division for all purposes. The
29 | division shall enter into a service agreement with the
30 | department for professional, technological, and administrative
31 | support services. The division shall collaborate and coordinate
32 | with the department on nonemergency response matters, including,
33 | but not limited to, disaster recovery programs, grant programs,
34 | mitigation programs, and emergency matters related to
35 | comprehensive plans.

36 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.