CHAMBER ACTION

The Domestic Security Committee recommends the following:

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Council/Committee Substitute

Remove the entire bill and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to sheltering of sexual offenders and predators; amending s. 252.35, F.S.; requiring the Division of Emergency Management, in conjunction with specified agencies, to set forth policy guidance for the sheltering of individuals designated as sexual predators or subject to registration as sexual offenders; amending ss. 775.21 and 943.0435, F.S.; requiring sexual predators and individuals subject to registration as sexual offenders seeking shelter to adhere to specified guidelines and provisions; providing penalties; providing a finding of important state interest; providing an effective date.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 252.35, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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252.35 Emergency management powers; Division of Emergency Management.--

- (2) The division is responsible for carrying out the provisions of ss. 252.31-252.90. In performing its duties under ss. 252.31-252.90, the division shall:
- (a) Prepare a state comprehensive emergency management plan, which shall be integrated into and coordinated with the emergency management plans and programs of the Federal Government. The division must adopt the plan as a rule in accordance with chapter 120. The plan shall be implemented by a continuous, integrated comprehensive emergency management program. The plan must contain provisions to ensure that the state is prepared for emergencies and minor, major, and catastrophic disasters, and the division shall work closely with local governments and agencies and organizations with emergency management responsibilities in preparing and maintaining the plan. The state comprehensive emergency management plan shall be operations oriented and:
- 1. Include an evacuation component that includes specific regional and interregional planning provisions and promotes intergovernmental coordination of evacuation activities. This component must, at a minimum: contain guidelines for lifting tolls on state highways; ensure coordination pertaining to evacuees crossing county lines; set forth procedures for directing people caught on evacuation routes to safe shelter; establish strategies for ensuring sufficient, reasonably priced fueling locations along evacuation routes; and establish policies and strategies for emergency medical evacuations.

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Include a shelter component that includes specific regional and interregional planning provisions and promotes coordination of shelter activities between the public, private, and nonprofit sectors. This component must, at a minimum: contain strategies to ensure the availability of adequate public shelter space in each region of the state; establish strategies for refuge-of-last-resort programs; provide strategies to assist local emergency management efforts to ensure that adequate staffing plans exist for all shelters, including medical and security personnel; provide for a postdisaster communications system for public shelters; establish model shelter guidelines for operations, registration, inventory, power generation capability, information management, and staffing; and set forth policy quidance for sheltering people with special needs. In conjunction with the Department of Law Enforcement and local law enforcement agencies, the division shall set forth policy quidance for the sheltering of individuals designated as sexual predators under s. 775.21 or subject to registration as sexual offenders under s. 943.0435.

3. Include a postdisaster response and recovery component that includes specific regional and interregional planning provisions and promotes intergovernmental coordination of postdisaster response and recovery activities. This component must provide for postdisaster response and recovery strategies according to whether a disaster is minor, major, or catastrophic. The postdisaster response and recovery component must, at a minimum: establish the structure of the state's postdisaster response and recovery organization; establish Page 3 of 8

procedures for activating the state's plan; set forth policies used to guide postdisaster response and recovery activities; describe the chain of command during the postdisaster response and recovery period; describe initial and continuous postdisaster response and recovery actions; identify the roles and responsibilities of each involved agency and organization; provide for a comprehensive communications plan; establish procedures for monitoring mutual aid agreements; provide for rapid impact assessment teams; ensure the availability of an effective statewide urban search and rescue program coordinated with the fire services; ensure the existence of a comprehensive statewide medical care and relief plan administered by the Department of Health; and establish systems for coordinating volunteers and accepting and distributing donated funds and goods.

- 4. Include additional provisions addressing aspects of preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation as determined necessary by the division.
- 5. Address the need for coordinated and expeditious deployment of state resources, including the Florida National Guard. In the case of an imminent major disaster, procedures should address predeployment of the Florida National Guard, and, in the case of an imminent catastrophic disaster, procedures should address predeployment of the Florida National Guard and the United States Armed Forces.
- 6. Establish a system of communications and warning to ensure that the state's population and emergency management

agencies are warned of developing emergency situations and can communicate emergency response decisions.

- 7. Establish guidelines and schedules for annual exercises that evaluate the ability of the state and its political subdivisions to respond to minor, major, and catastrophic disasters and support local emergency management agencies. Such exercises shall be coordinated with local governments and, to the extent possible, the Federal Government.
- 8. Assign lead and support responsibilities to state agencies and personnel for emergency support functions and other support activities.

The complete state comprehensive emergency management plan shall be submitted to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Governor on February 1 of every even-numbered year.

Section 2. Paragraph (g) of subsection (6) of section 775.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

775.21 The Florida Sexual Predators Act.--

(6) REGISTRATION.--

(g)1. Each time a sexual predator's driver's license or identification card is subject to renewal, and, without regard to the status of the predator's driver's license or identification card, within 48 hours after any change of the predator's residence or change in the predator's name by reason of marriage or other legal process, the predator shall report in person to a driver's license office and shall be subject to the requirements specified in paragraph (f). The Department of Page 5 of 8

Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles shall forward to the department and to the Department of Corrections all photographs and information provided by sexual predators. Notwithstanding the restrictions set forth in s. 322.142, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is authorized to release a reproduction of a color-photograph or digital-image license to the Department of Law Enforcement for purposes of public notification of sexual predators as provided in this section.

- 2. A sexual predator who vacates a permanent residence and fails to establish or maintain another permanent or temporary residence shall, within 48 hours after vacating the permanent residence, report in person to the department or the sheriff's office of the county in which he or she is located. The sexual predator shall specify the date upon which he or she intends to or did vacate such residence. The sexual predator must provide or update all of the registration information required under paragraph (a). The sexual predator must provide an address for the residence or other location that he or she is or will be occupying during the time in which he or she fails to establish or maintain a permanent or temporary residence.
- 3. A sexual predator who remains at a permanent residence after reporting his or her intent to vacate such residence shall, within 48 hours after the date upon which the predator indicated he or she would or did vacate such residence, report in person to the agency to which he or she reported pursuant to subparagraph 2. for the purpose of reporting his or her address at such residence. If the sheriff receives the report, the sheriff shall promptly convey the information to the department.

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An offender who makes a report as required under subparagraph 2.

but fails to make a report as required under this subparagraph

commits a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in

s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

4. A sexual predator is required to adhere to the guidelines and provisions of state and local law enforcement adopted under s. 252.35(2)(a)2.

The sheriff shall promptly provide to the department the information received from the sexual predator.

- (10) PENALTIES. --
- (a) Except as otherwise specifically provided, a sexual predator who fails to register; who fails, after registration, to maintain, acquire, or renew a driver's license or identification card; who fails to provide required location information or change-of-name information; who fails to make a required report in connection with vacating a permanent residence; who fails to reregister as required; who fails to respond to any address verification correspondence from the department within 3 weeks of the date of the correspondence; or who otherwise fails, by act or omission, to comply with the requirements of this section, commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.

Section 3. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (4) of section 943.0435, Florida Statutes, to read:

943.0435 Sexual offenders required to register with the department; penalty.--

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- (d) A sexual offender is required to adhere to the guidelines and provisions of state and local law enforcement adopted under s. 252.35(2)(a)2.
- (9)(a) A sexual offender who does not comply with the requirements of this section commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
- Section 4. The Legislature finds that the provisions of this act fulfill an important state interest.
- Section 5. This act shall take effect January 1, 2007.