

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to disaster preparedness response and
3 recovery; creating s. 252.63, F.S.; creating the Florida
4 Disaster Supplier Program Council under the Department of
5 Community Affairs; requiring the council to make
6 recommendations for a voluntary local program to be
7 established as the Florida Disaster Supplier Program;
8 providing membership and organization of the council;
9 providing duties and responsibilities of the council;
10 authorizing the council to recommend the assessment of an
11 annual program membership fee; providing for certification
12 of program participants; providing requirements with
13 respect to collection and use of program membership fees;
14 requiring the council to submit a report; providing for
15 termination of the council; providing intended purposes of
16 the program; providing that participation in the program
17 shall be at the option of each county; providing for
18 administration of the program by participating counties;
19 creating s. 526.143, F.S.; providing that each motor fuel
20 terminal facility and wholesaler that sells motor fuel in
21 the state must be capable of operating its distribution
22 loading racks using an alternate power source for a
23 specified period by a certain date; providing requirements
24 with respect to the operation of such equipment following
25 a major disaster; providing requirements with respect to
26 inspection of such equipment; requiring newly constructed
27 or substantially renovated motor fuel retail outlets to be
28 capable of operation using an alternate power source;

29 | defining "substantially renovated"; providing inspection
30 | requirements; requiring certain motor fuel retail outlets
31 | located within a specified distance from an interstate
32 | highway or state or federally designated evacuation route
33 | to be capable of operation using an alternate power source
34 | by a specified date; providing inspection and
35 | recordkeeping requirements; providing applicability;
36 | providing severability; creating s. 526.144, F.S.;
37 | creating the Florida Disaster Motor Fuel Supplier Program
38 | within the Department of Community Affairs; providing
39 | purpose of the program; providing requirements for
40 | participation in the program; providing that participation
41 | in the program shall be at the option of each county;
42 | providing for administration of the program; providing
43 | requirements of businesses certified as State Emergency
44 | Response Team members; providing for a credit against
45 | motor fuel tax collections to any owner of a retail motor
46 | fuel outlet for the purchase and installation of equipment
47 | required to meet program certification requirements;
48 | providing a limitation; requiring the Department of
49 | Revenue to provide forms and procedures for the credit by
50 | rule; providing for preemption to the state of the
51 | regulation of and requirements for siting and placement of
52 | an alternate power source and any related equipment at
53 | motor fuel terminal facilities, wholesalers, and retail
54 | sales outlets; providing for review of the program;
55 | providing a report; amending s. 553.509, F.S., relating to
56 | requirements with respect to vertical accessibility under

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57 pt. II of ch. 553, F.S., the "Florida Americans With
58 Disabilities Accessibility Implementation Act"; requiring
59 specified existing and newly constructed residential
60 multifamily dwellings to have at least one public elevator
61 that is capable of operating on an alternate power source
62 for emergency purposes; providing requirements with
63 respect to the alternate power source; providing for
64 verification of compliance by specified dates; providing
65 requirements with respect to emergency operations plans
66 and inspection records; requiring any person, firm, or
67 corporation that owns or operates specified multistory
68 affordable residential dwellings to attempt to obtain
69 grant funding to comply with the act; requiring an owner
70 or operator of such a dwelling to develop an evacuation
71 plan in the absence of compliance with the act; providing
72 additional inspection requirements under ch. 399, F.S.,
73 the "Elevator Safety Act"; amending s. 252.35, F.S.;
74 expanding the duty of the Division of Emergency Management
75 to conduct a public educational campaign on emergency
76 preparedness issues; providing an additional duty of the
77 division with respect to educational outreach concerning
78 disaster preparedness; providing an effective date.

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

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82 Section 1. Section 252.63, Florida Statutes, is created to
83 read:

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84 252.63 Florida Disaster Supplier Program Council; Florida
85 Disaster Supplier Program.--

86 (1) FLORIDA DISASTER SUPPLIER PROGRAM COUNCIL.--

87 (a) The Florida Disaster Supplier Program Council is
88 created under the Department of Community Affairs. The council
89 shall make recommendations for a voluntary local program to be
90 established as the Florida Disaster Supplier Program. The
91 council shall make recommendations for the effective and
92 efficient administration of the Florida Disaster Supplier
93 Program.

94 (b)1. The council shall consist of seven members,
95 comprised of the county emergency management directors from each
96 of the seven emergency response regions of the Division of
97 Emergency Management as designated by the Florida Emergency
98 Preparedness Association.

99 2. The members of the council shall elect a chair and a
100 vice chair from among their membership. The chair shall preside
101 at all meetings of the council.

102 3. The council shall meet at the call of the chair or at
103 the request of a majority of its membership.

104 4. Members shall serve for the duration of the existence
105 of the council. A vacancy on the council shall be filled by the
106 chair according to the original membership stipulations until
107 the council is terminated.

108 5. Members of the council shall serve without
109 compensation, but shall be entitled to per diem and travel
110 expenses as provided in s. 112.061 while engaged in the
111 performance of their official duties.

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- 112 (c) Duties and responsibilities of the council shall
113 include, but not be limited to, recommending to the division:
- 114 1. State disaster preparedness criteria necessary for
115 implementation of the Florida Disaster Supplier Program.
- 116 2. The most effective means of providing access to
117 businesses participating in the program in order to facilitate
118 the operation, supply, and staffing of such businesses, as
119 feasible, under emergency conditions.
- 120 3. A statewide system of certification for disaster
121 suppliers in the following categories:
- 122 a. Pharmaceutical.
123 b. Food and water.
124 c. Building supplies.
125 d. Ice.
126 e. Other categories as deemed necessary by the council.
- 127 4. If deemed necessary by the council, the assessment of
128 an annual program membership fee for businesses voluntarily
129 seeking to obtain certification as a state disaster supplier
130 under the established program guidelines. The determination of
131 the necessity of assessing an annual program membership fee
132 shall include county surveys and input from business, industry,
133 and state agencies. Any recommendation with respect to the
134 assessment of program fees shall be contained in the report
135 required under subsection (5).
- 136 5. A State Emergency Response Team logo that bears the
137 name of the State of Florida and the type of supplies being
138 provided by the supplier for display by businesses participating
139 in the program.

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140 (2) FLORIDA DISASTER SUPPLIER PROGRAM.--

141 (a) The Florida Disaster Supplier Program Council shall
142 make recommendations for a voluntary local program to be
143 established as the Florida Disaster Supplier Program. The
144 intended purposes of the program are:

145 1. To provide statewide oversight of the availability and
146 provision of necessary supplies prior to, during, and following
147 a state of emergency or natural or manmade disaster or
148 catastrophe.

149 2. To assist in the rapid recovery of an area affected by
150 a natural or manmade disaster or catastrophe and to immediately
151 stimulate the postdisaster recovery of local economies.

152 3. To provide the public with alternative access to
153 certain commodities as recommended by the Florida Disaster
154 Supplier Program Council.

155 (b) Participation in the Florida Disaster Supplier Program
156 shall be at the option of each county governing body. Each
157 county choosing to participate in the program shall be
158 responsible for administering the program within that county.
159 Guidelines and administration standards for participating
160 counties shall be recommended by the Florida Disaster Supplier
161 Program Council.

162 (c) The Florida Disaster Supplier Program shall allow
163 businesses in counties that choose not to participate in the
164 program to voluntarily participate in the program and provide
165 for the sale of emergency-use supplies and services before,
166 during, and following an emergency or natural or manmade

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167 disaster or catastrophe under the conditions set forth in this
168 section.

169 (d) The Florida Disaster Supplier Program shall be
170 designed to in no way interfere with normal and ongoing commerce
171 occurring in any political subdivision of the state.

172 (3) PROGRAM CERTIFICATION.--Upon the recommendation of the
173 council, certification of a business requesting to participate
174 in the program shall be conducted through county emergency
175 management agencies or designees as prescribed by the county's
176 elected governing body. Participating counties shall use
177 certification standards developed by the council.

178 (4) COLLECTION AND USE OF PROGRAM MEMBERSHIP FEES.--If an
179 annual program membership fee is assessed as provided in
180 subparagraph (1)(c)4., the methods for collecting such fee shall
181 be determined by the council. Program membership fees collected
182 shall be used in whole or in part to recover the administrative
183 costs of the program and as may be recommended by the council.
184 Program membership fees shall be used by the participating
185 counties and state agencies as may be determined by the
186 recommendations of the council and as provided by law.

187 (5) REPORT.--The council shall submit a report on the
188 development and implementation of the Florida Disaster Supplier
189 Program to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of
190 Representatives, and the President of the Senate no later than
191 February 1, 2007. The report shall include recommendations for
192 any needed legislation and program fees and an analysis of the
193 program's effect on the provision of supplies within the state

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194 during a state of emergency or natural or manmade disaster or
 195 catastrophe.

196 (6) TERMINATION.--The council shall terminate on July 1,
 197 2008.

198 Section 2. Section 526.143, Florida Statutes, is created
 199 to read:

200 526.143 Alternate means of power generation for motor fuel
 201 dispensing facilities.--

202 (1) No later than December 31, 2006, each motor fuel
 203 terminal facility, as defined in s. 526.303(16), and wholesaler,
 204 as defined in s. 526.303(17), that sells motor fuel in this
 205 state must be capable of operating its distribution loading
 206 racks using an alternate power source for a minimum of 72 hours.
 207 Pending a postdisaster examination of the equipment by the
 208 operator to determine any extenuating damage that would render
 209 it inoperable or unsafe to use, the facility must have such
 210 alternate power source available for operation no later than 36
 211 hours after a major disaster, as defined in s. 252.34. Initial
 212 inspection for proper installation and operation shall be
 213 completed by a local building inspector, and verification of the
 214 inspection must be submitted to the local county emergency
 215 management agency. Inspectors from the Department of Agriculture
 216 and Consumer Services shall perform a periodic visual inspection
 217 of the alternate power source to ensure that the emergency
 218 auxiliary electrical equipment is installed. Each facility shall
 219 perform annual inspections to ensure that the emergency
 220 auxiliary electrical generators are in good working order and

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221 show proof of those inspections in order to be deemed in
222 compliance with and to participate in the fuel supplier program.

223 (2) Each newly constructed or substantially renovated
224 motor fuel retail outlet, as defined in s. 526.303(14), for
225 which a certificate of occupancy is issued on or after July 1,
226 2006, must be prewired with an appropriate transfer switch and
227 be capable of operating all fuel pumps, dispensing equipment,
228 life-safety systems, and payment acceptance equipment using an
229 alternate power source. As used in this subsection, the term
230 "substantially renovated" means a renovation that results in an
231 increase of greater than 50 percent in the assessed value of the
232 motor fuel retail outlet. Local building inspectors shall
233 include an equipment and operations check for compliance with
234 this subsection in the normal inspection process before issuing
235 a certificate of occupancy. A copy of the certificate of
236 occupancy shall be provided to the county emergency management
237 agency upon issuance of such certificate. Each facility shall
238 perform periodic inspections to ensure that the installed
239 transfer switch and emergency auxiliary electrical generators
240 are in good working order and provide proof of those inspections
241 to the county emergency management agency in order to be in
242 compliance with and to participate in the Florida Disaster Motor
243 Fuel Supplier Program under s. 526.144.

244 (3)(a) No later than December 31, 2006, each motor fuel
245 retail outlet described in subparagraph 1., subparagraph 2., or
246 subparagraph 3. that is located within 1/2 mile of an interstate
247 highway or state or federally designated evacuation route must
248 be prewired with an appropriate transfer switch and be capable

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249 of operating all fuel pumps, dispensing equipment, life-safety
250 systems, and payment-acceptance equipment using an alternate
251 power source:

252 1. A motor fuel retail outlet located in a county having a
253 population of 300,000 or more which has 16 or more fueling
254 positions.

255 2. A motor fuel retail outlet located in a county having a
256 population of 100,000 or more, but fewer than 300,000, which has
257 12 or more fueling positions.

258 3. A motor fuel retail outlet located in a county having a
259 population of fewer than 100,000 which has eight or more fueling
260 positions.

261 (b) Installation of the wiring and transfer switch shall
262 be performed by a certified electrical contractor. Each retail
263 outlet subject to this subsection must keep a copy of the
264 documentation of such installation on site or at its corporate
265 headquarters. In addition, each retail outlet must keep a
266 written record that confirms the periodic testing and ensured
267 operational capacity of the equipment. The required documents
268 must be made available upon request to the Division of Emergency
269 Management and the county emergency management agency.

270 (4)(a) Subsections (2) and (3) apply to any self-service,
271 full-service, or combination self-service and full-service motor
272 fuel outlet regardless of whether the business is located on the
273 grounds of, or is owned by, another retail business
274 establishment that does not engage in the business of selling
275 motor fuel.

276 (b) Subsections (2) and (3) do not apply to:

- 277 1. An automobile dealer;
 278 2. A person who operates a fleet of motor vehicles; or
 279 3. A person who sells motor fuel exclusively to a fleet of
 280 motor vehicles.

281 (5) If any provision of this section or its application to
 282 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does
 283 not affect other provisions or applications of the section which
 284 can be given effect without the invalid provision or
 285 application, and to this end the provisions of this section are
 286 declared severable.

287 Section 3. Section 526.144, Florida Statutes, is created
 288 to read:

289 526.144 Florida Disaster Motor Fuel Supplier Program.--

290 (1) (a) There is created the Florida Disaster Motor Fuel
 291 Supplier Program within the Department of Community Affairs. The
 292 Florida Disaster Motor Fuel Supplier Program shall allow any
 293 retail motor fuel outlet doing business in the state to
 294 participate in a network of emergency responders to provide fuel
 295 supplies and services to government agencies, medical
 296 institutions and facilities, critical infrastructure, and other
 297 responders, as well as the general public, before, during, and
 298 after a declared disaster as described in s. 252.36(2).

299 (b) Participation in the Florida Disaster Motor Fuel
 300 Supplier Program shall be at the option of each county governing
 301 body. In counties choosing to participate in the program, the
 302 local county emergency management agency shall be primarily
 303 responsible for administering the program within that county. In
 304 counties that do not choose to participate in the program, the

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305 Division of Emergency Management shall have the authority to
306 certify businesses as members of the State Emergency Response
307 Team and issue appropriate signage. Guidelines and
308 administration standards for participating counties shall be
309 recommended by the Division of Emergency Management and the
310 county emergency management agency.

311 (c) Participation in the program shall require
312 certification by the Division of Emergency Management or the
313 county emergency management agency of a retail motor fuel
314 outlet's preparedness to provide emergency services.
315 Requirements for certification shall be established by the
316 Division of Emergency Management or the county emergency
317 management agency no later than July 1, 2007. Businesses that
318 are certified shall be issued a State Emergency Response Team
319 logo for public display to alert emergency responders and the
320 public that the business is capable of assisting in an
321 emergency.

322 (2) At a minimum, businesses that are certified as State
323 Emergency Response Team members must have the onsite capability
324 to provide fuel dispensing services to other State Emergency
325 Response Team members within 36 hours after a major disaster has
326 occurred, or demonstrate the ability to have such service
327 available, and agree to make such service available as needed.
328 Businesses may choose to sell motor fuel through a preexisting
329 contract with local, state, and federal response agencies or may
330 provide point-of-sale service to such agencies. In addition,
331 businesses may choose to sell motor fuel to the general public
332 or may be directed by county or state emergency management

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333 officials to provide such service pursuant to ss. 252.35 and
334 252.38. If requested, appropriate law enforcement security may
335 be provided to the participating business for the purpose of
336 maintaining civil order during operating hours.

337 (3) Persons who are designated as State Emergency Response
338 Team members and who can produce appropriate identification, as
339 determined by state or county emergency management officials,
340 shall be given priority for the purchase of motor fuel at
341 businesses designated as State Emergency Response Team members.
342 Businesses may be directed by county or state emergency
343 management officials to remain open for specified periods during
344 a declared curfew to provide service for emergency management
345 personnel. Under such direction, a business shall not be in
346 violation of the curfew and shall not be penalized for such
347 operation, nor shall emergency management personnel be in
348 violation of such curfew. Persons traveling during periods of a
349 declared curfew shall be required to produce valid official
350 documentation of their position as a State Emergency Response
351 Team member or local emergency response agency staff member or
352 official. Such documentation may include, but is not limited to,
353 a current State Emergency Response Team identification badge,
354 current law enforcement agency identification or shield or the
355 identification or shield of another emergency response agency,
356 current health care employee identification card, or current
357 government services identification card indicating a critical
358 services position, as applicable.

359 (4) A retail motor fuel outlet that is designated as State
360 Emergency Response Team member may request priority

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361 consideration with respect to the resupply of motor fuel in
362 order to continue to provide fuel and necessary services to
363 emergency responders. Such request is not binding but shall be
364 considered by emergency management agencies in determining
365 appropriate disaster response protocol.

366 (5) A retail motor fuel outlet that chooses to participate
367 in the Florida Disaster Motor Fuel Supplier Program and that
368 purchases and installs equipment to meet the certification
369 requirements of the Florida Disaster Motor Fuel Supplier Program
370 is entitled to a credit against the motor fuel taxes collected
371 at the retail outlet of up to 25 percent of the value of the
372 purchase of equipment and installation required to meet the
373 program certification requirements for purposes of defraying a
374 portion of the costs of purchasing and installing the equipment
375 at the retail outlet. The maximum amount of the tax credit for
376 an individual certified location may not exceed \$15,000. The
377 Florida Department of Revenue is authorized to issue the tax
378 credit after a determination by the department, in consultation
379 with the owner of the retail motor fuel outlet, of the retail
380 outlet's payment of taxes on motor fuel sales or corporate
381 taxes. The owner of the retail outlet must apply to the
382 Department of Revenue for the credit on forms developed by the
383 department and pursuant to procedures adopted by the department.
384 The Department of Revenue shall provide by rule forms and
385 procedures for applying for and granting the tax credit
386 authorized under this subsection.

387 (6) Notwithstanding any other law or local ordinance, to
388 ensure an appropriate emergency management response to major

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389 disasters in the state, the regulation of and requirements for
 390 the siting and placement of an alternate power source and any
 391 related equipment at motor fuel terminal facilities,
 392 wholesalers, and retail sales outlets shall be exclusively
 393 controlled by the state.

394 (7) The Florida Energy Office of the Department of
 395 Environmental Protection shall review progress in postdisaster
 396 motor fuel supply distribution and provide a report to the
 397 Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the
 398 Senate by March 1, 2007. The report shall include information on
 399 statewide compliance with s. 526.143 and identification of all
 400 retail motor fuel outlets that are participating in the Florida
 401 Disaster Motor Fuel Supplier Program.

402 Section 4. Section 553.509, Florida Statutes, is amended
 403 to read:

404 553.509 Vertical accessibility.--Nothing in sections
 405 553.501-553.513 or the guidelines shall be construed to relieve
 406 the owner of any building, structure, or facility governed by
 407 those sections from the duty to provide vertical accessibility
 408 to all levels above and below the occupiable grade level,
 409 regardless of whether the guidelines require an elevator to be
 410 installed in such building, structure, or facility, except for
 411 the areas, rooms, and spaces described in subsections (1), (2),
 412 and (3):

413 (1) Elevator pits, elevator penthouses, mechanical rooms,
 414 piping or equipment catwalks, and automobile lubrication and
 415 maintenance pits and platforms.†

416 (2) Unoccupiable spaces, such as rooms, enclosed spaces,
 417 and storage spaces that are not designed for human occupancy,
 418 for public accommodations, or for work areas. ~~† and~~

419 (3) Occupiable spaces and rooms that are not open to the
 420 public and that house no more than five persons, including, but
 421 not limited to, equipment control rooms and projection booths.

422 (4) (a) Any person, firm, or corporation that owns or
 423 operates a residential multifamily dwelling, including a
 424 condominium, that is at least 75 feet high and contains a public
 425 elevator, as described in s. 399.035(2) and (3) and rules
 426 adopted by the Florida Building Commission, shall have at least
 427 one public elevator that is capable of operating on an alternate
 428 power source for emergency purposes. Alternate power shall be
 429 available for the purpose of allowing all residents access for a
 430 specified number of hours each day over a 5-day period following
 431 a natural disaster, manmade disaster, emergency, or other civil
 432 disturbance that disrupts the normal supply of electricity. The
 433 alternate power source that controls elevator operations must
 434 also be capable of powering any connected fire alarm system in
 435 the building.

436 (b) At a minimum, the elevator must be appropriately
 437 prewired and prepared to accept an alternate power source and
 438 must have a connection on the line side of the main disconnect,
 439 pursuant to National Electric Code Handbook, Article 700. In
 440 addition to the required power source for the elevator and
 441 connected fire alarm system in the building, the alternate power
 442 supply must be sufficient to provide emergency lighting to the
 443 lobbies, hallways, and other portions of the building used by

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444 the public. Residential multifamily dwellings must have an
445 available generator and fuel source on the property or have
446 proof of a current guaranteed service contract for such
447 equipment and fuel source to operate the elevator on an on-call
448 basis within 24 hours after a request. By December 31, 2006,
449 local building inspectors must provide to the county emergency
450 management agency verification of engineering plans for
451 residential multifamily dwellings that provide for the
452 capability to generate power by alternate means. Compliance with
453 installation requirements and operational capability
454 requirements must be verified by local building inspectors and
455 reported to the county emergency management agency by December
456 31, 2007.

457 (c) Each newly constructed residential multifamily
458 dwelling, including a condominium, that is at least 75 feet high
459 and contains a public elevator, as described in s. 399.035(2)
460 and (3) and rules adopted by the Florida Building Commission,
461 must have at least one public elevator that is capable of
462 operating on an alternate power source for the purpose of
463 allowing all residents access for a specified number of hours
464 each day over a 5-day period following a natural disaster,
465 manmade disaster, emergency, or other civil disturbance that
466 disrupts the normal supply of electricity. The alternate power
467 source that controls elevator operations must be capable of
468 powering any connected fire alarm system in the building. In
469 addition to the required power source for the elevator and
470 connected fire alarm system, the alternate power supply must be
471 sufficient to provide emergency lighting to the lobbies,

472 hallways, and other portions of the building used by the public.
 473 Engineering plans and verification of operational capability
 474 must be provided by the local building inspector to the county
 475 emergency management agency before occupancy of the newly
 476 constructed building.

477 (d) Each person, firm, or corporation that is required to
 478 maintain an alternate power source under this subsection shall
 479 maintain a written emergency operations plan that details the
 480 sequence of operations before, during, and after a natural or
 481 manmade disaster or other emergency situation. The plan must
 482 include, at a minimum, a life safety plan for evacuation,
 483 maintenance of the electrical and lighting supply, and
 484 provisions for the health, safety, and welfare of the residents.
 485 In addition, the owner or operator of the residential
 486 multifamily dwelling must keep written records of quarterly
 487 inspections of life safety equipment and alternate power
 488 generation equipment, which confirm that such equipment is
 489 properly maintained and in good working condition, and any
 490 contracts for alternate power generation equipment. The written
 491 emergency operations plan and inspection records shall be open
 492 for periodic inspection by local and state government agencies
 493 as deemed necessary. The owner or operator must keep a generator
 494 key in a lockbox posted at or near any installed generator unit.

495 (e) Multistory affordable residential dwellings for
 496 persons age 62 and older that are financed or insured by the
 497 United States Department of Housing and Urban Development must
 498 make every effort to obtain grant funding from the Federal
 499 Government or the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to comply

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500 with this subsection. If an owner of such a residential dwelling
501 cannot comply with the requirements of this subsection, the
502 owner must develop a plan with the local emergency management
503 agency to ensure that residents are evacuated to a place of
504 safety in the event of a power outage resulting from a natural
505 or manmade disaster or other emergency situation that disrupts
506 the normal supply of electricity for an extended period of time.
507 A place of safety may include, but is not limited to, relocation
508 to an alternative site within the building or evacuation to a
509 local shelter.

510 (f) As a part of the annual elevator inspection required
511 under s. 399.061, certified inspectors shall confirm that all
512 installed generators required by this chapter are in working
513 order, that the inspection records are current, and that the
514 required generator key is present in the lockbox posted at or
515 near the installed generator. If a building does not have an
516 installed generator, the inspector shall confirm that the
517 appropriate rewiring and switching capabilities are operational
518 and that a contract for contingent services for alternate power
519 is current for the operating period.

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521 However, buildings, structures, and facilities must, as a
522 minimum, comply with the requirements in the Americans with
523 Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines.

524 Section 5. Paragraph (i) of subsection (2) of section
525 252.35, Florida Statutes, is amended, paragraphs (j) through (v)
526 are renumbered as paragraphs (k) through (w), respectively, and
527 a new paragraph (j) is added to that subsection, to read:

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528 252.35 Emergency management powers; Division of Emergency
529 Management.--

530 (2) The division is responsible for carrying out the
531 provisions of ss. 252.31-252.90. In performing its duties under
532 ss. 252.31-252.90, the division shall:

533 (i) Institute statewide public awareness programs. This
534 shall include an intensive public educational campaign on
535 emergency preparedness issues, including, but not limited to,
536 the personal responsibility of individual citizens to be self-
537 sufficient for up to 72 hours following a natural or manmade
538 disaster. The public educational campaign shall include relevant
539 information on statewide disaster plans, evacuation routes, fuel
540 suppliers, and shelters. All educational materials must be
541 available in alternative formats and mediums to ensure that they
542 are available to persons with disabilities.

543 (j) The Division of Emergency Management and the
544 Department of Education shall coordinate with the Agency For
545 Persons with Disabilities to provide an educational outreach
546 program on disaster preparedness and readiness to individuals
547 who have limited English skills and identify persons who are in
548 need of assistance but are not defined under special-needs
549 criteria.

550 Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.