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An act relating to disaster preparedness response and recovery; providing legislative findings with respect to the coordination of emergency response capabilities; directing the Division of Emergency Management to conduct a feasibility study relating to the supply and distribution of essential commodities by nongovernmental and private entities; creating s. 526.143, F.S.; providing that each motor fuel terminal facility and wholesaler that sells motor fuel in the state must be capable of operating its distribution loading racks using an alternate generated power source for a specified period by a certain date; providing requirements with respect to the operation of such equipment following a major disaster; providing requirements with respect to the installation of specified components; requiring specified documentation; requiring newly constructed or substantially renovated motor fuel retail outlets to be capable of operation using an alternate generated power source; defining "substantially renovated"; providing requirements with respect to required documentation; requiring certain motor fuel retail outlets located within a specified distance from an interstate highway or state or federally designated evacuation route to be capable of operation using an alternate generated power source by a specified date; providing requirements with respect to the installation of specified components; requiring specified documentation;

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providing applicability; creating s. 526.144, F.S.; creating the Florida Disaster Motor Fuel Supplier Program within the Department of Community Affairs; providing that participation in the program shall be at the option of each county; providing for administration of the program; providing purpose of the program; providing requirements for and authority of retail motor fuel outlets doing business in participating counties that choose to become members of the program; providing a restriction on nonparticipating motor fuel retail outlets; authorizing counties that choose to participate in the program to charge a fee to cover specified costs; providing for deposit of such fees; providing procedures and requirements with respect to operation under the program; providing that the regulation of and requirements for the siting and placement of an alternate power source and any related equipment at motor fuel terminal facilities, wholesalers, and retail sales outlets shall be exclusively controlled by the state; providing for review of the program; providing a report; amending s. 501.160, F.S.; providing that the prohibition against the rental or sale of essential commodities during a declared state of emergency at unconscionable prices shall remain in effect for a specified period of time; providing for renewal thereof; amending s. 553.509, F.S., relating to requirements with respect to vertical accessibility under pt. II of ch. 553, F.S., the "Florida Americans With

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Disabilities Accessibility Implementation Act"; requiring specified existing and newly constructed residential multifamily dwellings to have at least one public elevator that is capable of operating on an alternate power source for emergency purposes; providing requirements with respect to the alternate power source; providing for verification of compliance by specified dates; providing requirements with respect to emergency operations plans and inspection records; providing requirements with respect to compliance with the act for specified multistory affordable residential dwellings; requiring the development of an evacuation plan for such a dwelling in the absence of compliance with the act; providing additional inspection requirements under ch. 399, F.S., the "Elevator Safety Act"; amending s. 252.35, F.S.; expanding the duty of the Division of Emergency Management to conduct a public educational campaign on emergency preparedness issues; providing an additional duty of the division with respect to educational outreach concerning disaster preparedness; requiring the Division of Emergency Management to complete and maintain specified inventories of emergency generators; providing legislative findings with respect to minimum criteria for county emergency operations centers; specifying criteria for county emergency operations centers; providing priority and restrictions for funding; providing an appropriation to the Department of Community Affairs to establish a

competitive award process; providing an appropriation to the Department of Community Affairs for logistical improvements and technology; providing uses of appropriated funds; providing an appropriation to the Department of Community Affairs to update regional hurricane evacuation plans; providing for use of appropriated funds; providing that the procurement of technologies with appropriated funds is subject to competitive bid requirements; providing an appropriation to the Department of Community Affairs to conduct a feasibility study; providing an appropriation to the Department of Community Affairs for the Division of Emergency Management's public awareness campaign; providing severability; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. The Legislature finds that there is a compelling need to better coordinate emergency response capabilities between local, state, federal, nongovernmental, and private-sector partners to provide the best and most effective postdisaster services to the people of the State of Florida. In order to encourage the rapid recovery of economies in areas affected by a disaster, the Legislature finds that programs to restore normal commerce in communities should be a part of the state comprehensive emergency management plan. The Legislature recognizes nongovernmental agencies and the private sector as

109	key partners in disaster preparedness, response, and recovery.
110	Further, the Legislature recognizes the demonstrated abilities
111	and contributions of these entities in successfully providing
112	logistical support and commodities through well-proven
113	distribution systems. In order to enhance the state
114	comprehensive emergency management plan, the Division of
115	Emergency Management within the Department of Community Affairs
116	is hereby directed to conduct a feasibility study on
117	incorporating into the state's comprehensive emergency
118	management plan the logistical supply and distribution of
119	essential commodities by nongovernmental agencies and private
120	entities. In conducting the study, the division shall consult
121	with the Florida Retail Federation, the Florida Petroleum
122	Council, the Florida Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store
123	Association, the Florida Emergency Preparedness Association, the
124	American Red Cross, Volunteer Florida, and other entities, as
125	appropriate. No later than February 1, 2007, the division shall
126	make recommendations based on the study to the Governor, the
127	Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President of
128	the Senate.
129	Section 2. Section 526.143, Florida Statutes, is created
130	to read:
131	526.143 Alternate generated power capacity for motor fuel
132	dispensing facilities
133	(1) By June 1, 2007, each motor fuel terminal facility, as
134	defined in s. 526.303(16), and each wholesaler, as defined in s.
135	526.303(17), which sells motor fuel in this state must be

capable of operating its distribution loading racks using an

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137 alternate generated power source for a minimum of 72 hours. Pending a postdisaster examination of the equipment by the 138 139 operator to determine any extenuating damage that would render it unsafe to use, the facility must have such alternate 140 141 generated power source available for operation no later than 36 142 hours after a major disaster as defined in s. 252.34. 143 Installation of appropriate wiring, including a transfer switch, 144 shall be performed by a certified electrical contractor. Each business that is subject to this subsection must keep a copy of 145 146 the documentation of such installation on site or at its 147 corporate headquarters. In addition, each business must keep a 148 written statement attesting to the periodic testing and ensured 149 operational capacity of the equipment. The required documents 150 must be made available, upon request, to the Division of 151 Emergency Management and the director of the county emergency 152 management agency. 153 Each newly constructed or substantially renovated 154 motor fuel retail outlet, as defined in s. 526.303(14), for 155 which a certificate of occupancy is issued on or after July 1, 156 2006, shall be prewired with an appropriate transfer switch, and capable of operating all fuel pumps, dispensing equipment, life-157 158 safety systems, and payment acceptance equipment using an alternate generated power source. As used in this subsection, 159 160 the term "substantially renovated" means a renovation that

assessed value of the motor fuel retail outlet. Local building

results in an increase of greater than 50 percent in the

inspectors shall include this equipment and operations check in the normal inspection process before issuing a certificate of occupancy. Each retail outlet that is subject to this subsection must keep a copy of the certificate of occupancy on site or at its corporate headquarters. In addition, each retail outlet must keep a written statement attesting to the periodic testing of and ensured operational capability of the equipment. The required documents must be made available, upon request, to the Division of Emergency Management and the director of the county emergency management agency.

- (3) (a) No later than June 1, 2007, each motor fuel retail outlet described in subparagraph 1., subparagraph 2., or subparagraph 3., which is located within one-half mile proximate to an interstate highway or state or federally designated evacuation route must be prewired with an appropriate transfer switch and be capable of operating all fuel pumps, dispensing equipment, life safety systems, and payment acceptance equipment using an alternate generated power source:
- 1. A motor fuel retail outlet located in a county having a population of 300,000 or more which has 16 or more fueling positions.
- 2. A motor fuel retail outlet located in a county having a population of 100,000 or more, but fewer than 300,000, which has 12 or more fueling positions.
- 3. A motor fuel retail outlet located in a county having a population of fewer than 100,000 which has eight or more fueling positions.

(b) Installation of appropriate wiring and transfer switches must be performed by a certified electrical contractor. Each retail outlet that is subject to this subsection must keep a copy of the documentation of such installation on site or at its corporate headquarters. In addition, each retail outlet must keep a written statement attesting to the periodic testing of and ensured operational capacity of the equipment. The required documents must be made available, upon request, to the Division of Emergency Management and the director of the county emergency management agency.

- (4) (a) Subsections (2) and (3) apply to any self-service, full-service, or combination self-service and full-service motor fuel retail outlet regardless of whether the retail outlet is located on the grounds of, or is owned by, another retail business establishment that does not engage in the business of selling motor fuel.
 - (b) Subsections (2) and (3) do not apply to:
 - 1. An automobile dealer;

- 2. A person who operates a fleet of motor vehicles;
- 3. A person who sells motor fuel exclusively to a fleet of motor vehicles; or
- 4. A motor fuel retail outlet that has a written agreement with a public hospital, in a form approved by the Division of Emergency Management, wherein the public hospital agrees to provide the motor fuel retail outlet with an alternative means of power generation onsite so that the outlet's fuel pumps may be operated in the event of a power outage.

Section 3. Section 526.144, Florida Statutes, is created to read

- 526.144 Florida Disaster Motor Fuel Supplier Program.-(1)(a) There is created the Florida Disaster Motor Fuel
 Supplier Program within the Department of Community Affairs.
- (b) Participation in the program shall be at the option of each county governing body. In counties choosing to participate in the program, the local emergency management agency shall be primarily responsible for administering the program within those counties. Nothing in this section shall require participation in the program.
- (c) In participating counties, the Florida Disaster Motor Fuel Supplier Program shall allow any retail motor fuel outlet doing business in those counties to participate in a network of emergency responders to provide fuel supplies and services to government agencies, medical institutions and facilities, critical infrastructure, and other responders, as well as the general public, during a declared disaster as described in s. 252.36(2).
- (d) Retail motor fuel outlets doing business in participating counties that choose to become members of the Florida Disaster Motor Fuel Supplier Program must be able to demonstrate the capability to provide onsite fuel dispensing services to other members of the State Emergency Response Team within 24 hours after a major disaster has occurred, and agree to make such service available as needed. Local emergency management agencies may determine appropriate measures for

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determining such readiness, including acceptance of a written attestation from the retail motor fuel outlet, a copy of an executed contract for services, or other documents or activities that may demonstrate readiness. Participating retail motor fuel outlets may choose to sell motor fuel through a preexisting contract with local, state, or federal response agencies or may provide point-of-sale service to such agencies. In addition, participating retail motor fuel outlets may choose to sell motor fuel to the general public upon compliance with requirements to provide service under ss. 252.35 and 252.38 as directed by county or state emergency management officials. Nothing in this section shall preclude any retail motor fuel outlet from selling fuel during lawful operating hours. Nonparticipating motor fuel retail outlets may not operate during declared curfew hours. If requested, appropriate law enforcement or security personnel may be provided through emergency management protocol to the participating business for the purpose of maintaining civil order during operating hours.

- (e) Motor fuel outlets that choose to participate in the Florida Disaster Motor Fuel Supplier Program pursuant to paragraph (d) may be issued a State Emergency Response Team logo by the participating county emergency management agency for public display to alert emergency responders and the public that the business is capable of assisting in an emergency.
- (f) Counties that choose to participate in the Florida

 Disaster Motor Fuel Supplier Program may charge a fee to cover the actual costs of accepting a retail motor fuel outlet into

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the program, including the cost of performing any required review, filing of necessary forms, and producing logo decals for public display. Additional charges may not be imposed for processing individual documents associated with the program. Funds collected shall be deposited into an appropriate county operating account.

(3) Persons who are designated as members of the State Emergency Response Team and who can produce appropriate identification, as determined by state or county emergency management officials, shall be given priority for purchasing fuel at businesses designated as members of the State Emergency Response Team. A business may be directed by county or state emergency management officials to remain open during a declared curfew in order to provide service for emergency personnel. Under such direction, the business is not in violation of the curfew and may not be penalized for such operation and the emergency personnel are not in violation of the curfew. A person traveling during a curfew must be able to produce valid official documentation of his or her position with the State Emergency Response Team or the local emergency management agency. Such documentation may include, but need not be limited to, current State Emergency Response Team identification badge, current law enforcement or other response agency identification or shield, current health care employee identification card, or current government services identification card indicating a critical services position.

(4) A business that is designated as a member of the State Emergency Response Team may request priority in receiving a resupply of fuel in order to continue service to emergency responders. Such request is not binding, but shall be considered by emergency management officials in determining appropriate response actions.

- (5) Notwithstanding any other law or local ordinance, to ensure an appropriate emergency management response to major disasters in the state, the regulation of and requirements for the siting and placement of an alternate power source and any related equipment at motor fuel terminal facilities, wholesalers, and retail sales outlets shall be exclusively controlled by the state.
- (6) The Florida Energy Office of the Department of Environmental Protection shall review situational progress in postdisaster motor fuel supply distribution and provide a report to the Legislature by March 1, 2007. The report must include information concerning statewide compliance with s. 526.143 and an identification of all motor fuel retail outlets that are participating in the Florida Disaster Motor Fuel Supplier Program.

Section 4. Subsection (2) of section 501.160, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

501.160 Rental or sale of essential commodities during a declared state of emergency; prohibition against unconscionable prices.--

Governor, it is unlawful and a violation of s. 501.204 for a person or her or his agent or employee to rent or sell or offer to rent or sell at an unconscionable price within the area for which the state of emergency is declared, any essential commodity including, but not limited to, supplies, services, provisions, or equipment that is necessary for consumption or use as a direct result of the emergency. This prohibition shall remain remains in effect for a period not to exceed 60 days under the initial declared state of emergency as defined in s. 252.36(2) and shall be renewed by statement in any subsequent renewal of the declared state of emergency by the Governor until the declaration expires or is terminated.

Section 5. Section 553.509, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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

(1) Elevator pits, elevator penthouses, mechanical rooms, piping or equipment catwalks, and automobile lubrication and maintenance pits and platforms. \div

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

- (3) Occupiable spaces and rooms that are not open to the public and that house no more than five persons, including, but not limited to, equipment control rooms and projection booths.
- (4) (a) Any person, firm, or corporation that owns, manages, or operates a residential multifamily dwelling, including a condominium, that is at least 75 feet high and contains a public elevator, as described in s. 399.035(2) and (3) and rules adopted by the Florida Building Commission, shall have at least one public elevator that is capable of operating on an alternate power source for emergency purposes. Alternate power shall be available for the purpose of allowing all residents access for a specified number of hours each day over a 5-day period following a natural disaster, manmade disaster, emergency, or other civil disturbance that disrupts the normal supply of electricity. The alternate power source that controls elevator operations must also be capable of powering any connected fire alarm system in the building.
- (b) At a minimum, the elevator must be appropriately prewired and prepared to accept an alternate power source and must have a connection on the line side of the main disconnect, pursuant to National Electric Code Handbook, Article 700. In addition to the required power source for the elevator and connected fire alarm system in the building, the alternate power supply must be sufficient to provide emergency lighting to the

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interior lobbies, hallways, and other portions of the building used by the public. Residential multifamily dwellings must have an available generator and fuel source on the property or have proof of a current contract posted in the elevator machine room or other place conspicuous to the elevator inspector affirming a current quaranteed service contract for such equipment and fuel source to operate the elevator on an on-call basis within 24 hours after a request. By December 31, 2006, any person, firm or corporation that owns, manages or operates a residential multifamily dwelling as defined in paragraph (a) must provide to the local building inspection agency verification of engineering plans for residential multifamily dwellings that provide for the capability to generate power by alternate means. Compliance with installation requirements and operational capability requirements must be verified by local building inspectors and reported to the county emergency management agency by December 31, 2007. (c) Each newly constructed residential multifamily

dwelling, including a condominium, that is at least 75 feet high and contains a public elevator, as described in s. 399.035(2) and (3) and rules adopted by the Florida Building Commission, must have at least one public elevator that is capable of operating on an alternate power source for the purpose of allowing all residents access for a specified number of hours each day over a 5-day period following a natural disaster, manmade disaster, emergency, or other civil disturbance that disrupts the normal supply of electricity. The alternate power

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source that controls elevator operations must be capable of powering any connected fire alarm system in the building. In addition to the required power source for the elevator and connected fire alarm system, the alternate power supply must be sufficient to provide emergency lighting to the interior lobbies, hallways, and other portions of the building used by the public. Engineering plans and verification of operational capability must be provided by the local building inspector to the county emergency management agency before occupancy of the newly constructed building.

Each person, firm, or corporation that is required to (d) maintain an alternate power source under this subsection shall maintain a written emergency operations plan that details the sequence of operations before, during, and after a natural or manmade disaster or other emergency situation. The plan must include, at a minimum, a life safety plan for evacuation, maintenance of the electrical and lighting supply, and provisions for the health, safety, and welfare of the residents. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of the residential multifamily dwelling must keep written records of any contracts for alternative power generation equipment. Also, quarterly inspection records of life safety equipment and alternate power generation equipment must be posted in the elevator machine room or other place conspicuous to the elevator inspector, which confirm that such equipment is properly maintained and in good working condition, and copies of contracts for alternate power generation equipment shall be maintained on site for

verification. The written emergency operations plan and inspection records shall also be open for periodic inspection by local and state government agencies as deemed necessary. The owner or operator must keep a generator key in a lockbox posted at or near any installed generator unit.

- (e) Multistory affordable residential dwellings for persons age 62 and older that are financed or insured by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development must make every effort to obtain grant funding from the Federal Government or the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to comply with this subsection. If an owner of such a residential dwelling cannot comply with the requirements of this subsection, the owner must develop a plan with the local emergency management agency to ensure that residents are evacuated to a place of safety in the event of a power outage resulting from a natural or manmade disaster or other emergency situation that disrupts the normal supply of electricity for an extended period of time. A place of safety may include, but is not limited to, relocation to an alternative site within the building or evacuation to a local shelter.
- (f) As a part of the annual elevator inspection required under s. 399.061, certified elevator inspectors shall confirm that all installed generators required by this chapter are in working order, have current inspection records posted in the elevator machine room or other place conspicuous to the elevator inspector, and that the required generator key is present in the lockbox posted at or near the installed generator. If a building

does not have an installed generator, the inspector shall confirm that the appropriate prewiring and switching capabilities are present and that a statement is posted in the elevator machine room or other place conspicuous to the elevator inspector affirming that a current guaranteed contract exists for contingent services for alternate power and is current for the operating period.

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

Section 6. Paragraph (i) of subsection (2) of section 252.35, Florida Statutes, is amended, paragraphs (j), (k), (1), (m), (n), (o), (p), (q), (r), (s), (t), (u), and (v) of that subsection are redesignated as paragraphs (k), (1), (m), (n), (o), (p), (q), (r), (u), (v), (w), (x), and (y), respectively, and new paragraphs (j), (s), and (t) are added to subsection (2) of that section, to read:

- 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:
- (i) Institute statewide public awareness programs. This shall include an intensive public educational campaign on emergency preparedness issues, including, but not limited to, the personal responsibility of individual citizens to be self-

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sufficient for up to 72 hours following a natural or manmade disaster. The public educational campaign shall include relevant information on statewide disaster plans, evacuation routes, fuel suppliers, and shelters. All educational materials must be available in alternative formats and mediums to ensure that they are available to persons with disabilities.

- (j) The Division of Emergency Management and the

 Department of Education shall coordinate with the Agency For

 Persons with Disabilities to provide an educational outreach

 program on disaster preparedness and readiness to individuals

 who have limited English skills and identify persons who are in

 need of assistance but are not defined under special needs

 criteria.
- (s) By January 1, 2007, the Division of Emergency

 Management shall complete an inventory of portable generators
 owned by the state and local governments which are capable of
 operating during a major disaster. The inventory must identify,
 at a minimum, the location of each generator, the number of
 generators stored at each specific location, the agency to which
 each generator belongs, the primary use of the generator by the
 agency that owns the generator, and the names, addresses, and
 telephone numbers of persons having the authority to loan the
 stored generators as authorized by the Division of Emergency
 Management during a declared emergency.
- (t) The division shall maintain an inventory list of generators owned by the state and local governments. In addition, the division may keep a list of private entities which

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offer generators for sale or lease, along with appropriate contact information. The list of private entities shall be available to the public for inspection in written and electronic formats.

Section 7. The Legislature finds that county emergency operations centers should meet the minimum criteria for structural survivability and sufficiency of operational space, as determined by assessments performed by the Department of Community Affairs based on guidance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Criteria for a county emergency operations center include, but are not limited to, county population, hurricane evacuation clearance time for the vulnerable population of the county, structural survivability of the existing emergency operations center, and Federal Emergency Management Agency guidance for workspace requirements for the

for county emergency operations centers where no survivable

emergency operations center. First priority for funding shall be

531 <u>Funding is limited to the construction or structural renovation</u>

of the county emergency operations center in order to meet

national workspace recommendations and may not be used to

purchase equipment, furnishings, communications, or operational

systems. There is hereby appropriated \$20 million from

nonrecurring general revenue and \$8.6 million from the U.S.

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to implement this section. No more than 5 percent of the funds provided under this section may be used by the Department for administration of the funding.

Section 8. Funds appropriated under this section may be used for increasing storage capacity; improving technologies to manage commodities; and enhancing the ability to maintain in a safe and secure manner an inventory of supplies, equipment, and commodities that would be needed in the immediate aftermath of a disaster. There is hereby appropriated \$400,000 from nonrecurring general revenue, \$1.6 million from recurring funds within the Emergency Management, Preparedness, and Assistance Trust Fund, and \$4.5 million from nonrecurring funds within the Emergency Management Preparedness, and Assistance Trust Fund to the Department of Community Affairs for logistical improvements and technology.

Section 9. Funds appropriated under this section may be used to update hurricane evacuation plans using Light Detecting and Ranging technology and the National Hurricane Center's computerized Sea, Lake and Overland Surges for Hurricanes model. There is hereby appropriated \$29 million from the U.S. Contributions Trust Fund to the Department of Community Affairs to update regional hurricane evacuation plans using Light Detecting and Ranging Technology and the National Hurricane Center's computerized Sea, Lake and Overland Surges for Hurricanes model. Procurement of technologies to perform the updates and computer modeling must comply with the provisions of s. 287.057, Florida Statutes, requiring competitive bids. No

more than 5 percent of the funds provided under this section may be used by the Department for administration of this funding.

Section 10. There is hereby appropriated \$76,150 from nonrecurring general revenue to the Department of Community

Affairs for a study on the feasibility of incorporating nongovernmental agencies and private entities into the logistical supply and distribution system for essential commodities.

Section 11. There is hereby appropriated \$3.4 million from the U.S. Contributions Trust Fund to the Department of Community Affairs for the Division of Emergency Management's public awareness campaign.

Section 12. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are severable.

Section 13. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.