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1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to emergency management; amending s. 3 252.34, F.S.; defining the term "activate" for 4 purposes of part I of ch. 252, F.S.; amending ss. 5 163.360, 474.2125, and 627.659, F.S.; conforming 6 cross-references; providing an effective date. 7 8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 9 10 Section 1. Present subsections (1) through (9) of section 252.34, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (2) 11 12 through (10), respectively, and a new subsection (1) is added to 13 that section, to read: 252.34 Definitions.—As used in this part, the term: 14 15 (1) "Activate" means the execution and implementation of 16 the necessary plans and activities required to mitigate, respond 17 to, or recover from a potential or actual state of emergency or disaster declared pursuant to this chapter and the state 18 19 comprehensive emergency management plan which specifies levels 20 of activation. 21 Section 2. Subsection (10) of section 163.360, Florida 22 Statutes, is amended to read: 163.360 Community redevelopment plans.-23 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this part, 24 25 when the governing body certifies that an area is in need of 26 redevelopment or rehabilitation as a result of an emergency

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under <u>s. 252.34(4)</u> <del>s. 252.34(3)</del>, with respect to which the Governor has certified the need for emergency assistance under federal law, that area may be certified as a "blighted area," and the governing body may approve a community redevelopment plan and community redevelopment with respect to such area without regard to the provisions of this section requiring a general plan for the county or municipality and a public hearing on the community redevelopment.

Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 474.2125, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

474.2125 Temporary license.-

 (1) The board shall adopt rules providing for the issuance of a temporary license to a licensed veterinarian of another state for the purpose of enabling her or him to provide veterinary medical services in this state for the animals of a specific owner or, as may be needed in an emergency as defined in  $\underline{s.\ 252.34(4)}\ \underline{s.\ 252.34(3)}$ , for the animals of multiple owners, provided the applicant would qualify for licensure by endorsement under  $\underline{s.\ 474.217}$ . No temporary license shall be valid for more than 30 days after its issuance, and no license shall cover more than the treatment of the animals of one owner except in an emergency as defined in  $\underline{s.\ 252.34(4)}\ \underline{s.\ 252.34(3)}$ . After the expiration of 30 days, a new license is required.

Section 4. Subsection (4) of section 627.659, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

627.659 Blanket health insurance; eligible groups.-Blanket

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health insurance is that form of health insurance which covers special groups of individuals as enumerated in one of the following subsections:

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- (4) Under a policy or contract issued in the name of a volunteer fire department, first aid group, local emergency management agency as defined in  $\underline{s.\ 252.34(6)}\ s.\ 252.34(5)$ , or other group of first responders as defined in  $\underline{s.\ 112.1815}$ , which is deemed the policyholder, covering all or any grouping of the members or employees of the policyholder or covering all or any participants in an activity or operation sponsored or supervised by the policyholder.
  - Section 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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