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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED _____ (Y/N)
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ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION _____ (Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT _____ (Y/N)
WITHDRAWN _____ (Y/N)
OTHER _____

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: State Affairs Committee
2 Representative Maggard offered the following:

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4 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

5 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

6 Section 1. Section 110.120, Florida Statutes, is amended
7 to read:

8 110.120 Administrative leave for disaster service
9 volunteers.-

10 (1) SHORT TITLE.-This section ~~shall be known and~~ may be
11 cited as the "Florida Disaster Volunteer Leave Act."

12 (2) DEFINITIONS.-As used in this section, the term
13 ~~following terms shall apply:~~

14 (c) ~~(a)~~ "State agency" means any official, officer,
15 commission, board, authority, council, committee, or department
16 of the executive branch of state government.

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17 (a) ~~(b)~~ "Disaster" means an event that results in a state
18 of emergency, as declared by executive order or proclamation
19 issued by the Governor of this state or any other state or
20 territory of the United States ~~includes disasters designated at~~
21 level II and above in the American National Red Cross
22 regulations and procedures.

23 (b) "Disaster area" means a location covered under a state
24 of emergency, as declared by executive order or proclamation
25 issued by the Governor of this state or any other state or
26 territory of the United States.

27 (d) "Volunteer" means an individual who has entered into
28 an agreement with a tax-exempt nonprofit organization under s.
29 501(c)(3) or s. 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code to
30 provide nonpaid services to a disaster area for disaster
31 response or recovery.

32 (3) LEAVE OF ABSENCE.—An employee of a state agency ~~who is~~
33 ~~a certified disaster service volunteer of the American Red Cross~~
34 may be granted a leave of absence with pay for no not more than
35 120 working hours ~~15 working days~~ in any 12-month period to
36 serve as a volunteer ~~participate in specialized disaster relief~~
37 ~~services for the American Red Cross~~. Such leave of absence may
38 be granted upon the request of the employee ~~American Red Cross~~
39 and upon ~~the~~ approval of the employee's employing agency after
40 verifying the employee's volunteer status. An employee granted
41 leave under this section is ~~shall not be~~ deemed to be an

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42 employee of the state for purposes of workers' compensation.
43 Leave under this section ~~act~~ may be granted only for providing
44 volunteer ~~for~~ services related to a disaster occurring within
45 the boundaries of this ~~the~~ state of Florida, except that, ~~with~~
46 ~~the approval of the Governor and Cabinet,~~ leave may be granted
47 to an employee to provide volunteer ~~for~~ services in response to
48 a disaster occurring within the states or territories ~~boundaries~~
49 of the United States upon approval of the head of the employee's
50 employing agency. An employee who is granted leave under this
51 section must attest to his or her employing agency that he or
52 she has completed his or her volunteer service for a disaster,
53 and must also specify the period of time for which he or she
54 served as a volunteer for that event and a description of the
55 disaster response or recovery services that the employee
56 provided.

57 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.

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60 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

61 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:

62 An act relating to the Florida Disaster Volunteer Leave
63 Act; amending s. 110.120, F.S.; reordering, revising, and
64 providing definitions; revising conditions under which an
65 employee may be granted leave under the Florida Disaster
66 Volunteer Leave Act; specifying requirements and

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67 | limitations; providing an effective date.