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The Committee on Community Affairs (DiCeglie) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete everything after the enacting clause  
and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (23) is added to section 161.101,  
Florida Statutes, to read:

161.101 State and local participation in authorized  
projects and studies relating to beach management and erosion  
control.—

(23) Notwithstanding subsections (1), (15), and (16), and



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11 for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, for beaches located in any county  
12 listed in a federal declaration of disaster in 2024 that were  
13 impacted by erosion caused by Hurricane Debby, Hurricane Helene,  
14 or Hurricane Milton, the department may waive or reduce the  
15 match requirements for local governments. This subsection  
16 expires July 1, 2026.

17 Section 2. Effective upon becoming a law, section 193.4518,  
18 Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

19 193.4518 Assessment of agricultural equipment rendered  
20 unable to be used due to hurricanes ~~Hurricane Idalia~~.-

21 (1) As used in this section, the term:

22 (a) "Farm" has the same meaning as provided in s.  
23 823.14(3).

24 (b) "Farm operation" has the same meaning as provided in s.  
25 823.14(3).

26 (c) "Unable to be used" means the tangible personal  
27 property was damaged, or the farm, farm operation, or  
28 agricultural processing facility was affected, to such a degree  
29 that the tangible personal property could not be used for its  
30 intended purpose.

31 (2) (a) For purposes of ad valorem taxation and applying to  
32 the 2024 tax roll only, tangible personal property owned and  
33 operated by a farm, a farm operation, or an agriculture  
34 processing facility located in Charlotte County, Citrus County,  
35 Columbia County, Dixie County, Gilchrist County, Hamilton  
36 County, Hernando County, Jefferson County, Lafayette County,  
37 Levy County, Madison County, Manatee County, Pasco County,  
38 Pinellas County, Sarasota County, Suwannee County, or Taylor  
39 County is deemed to have a market value no greater than its



40 value for salvage if the tangible personal property was unable  
41 to be used for at least 60 days due to the effects of Hurricane  
42 Idalia.

43 (b)~~(3)~~ The deadline for an applicant to file an application  
44 with the property appraiser for assessment pursuant to this  
45 subsection ~~section~~ is March 1, 2024.

46 (c)~~(4)~~ If the property appraiser denies an application, the  
47 applicant may file, pursuant to s. 194.011(3), a petition with  
48 the value adjustment board which requests that the tangible  
49 personal property be assessed pursuant to this section. Such  
50 petition must be filed on or before the 25th day after the  
51 mailing by the property appraiser during the 2024 calendar year  
52 of the notice required under s. 194.011(1).

53 (d)~~(5)~~ This subsection ~~section~~ applies to tax rolls  
54 beginning January 1, 2024.

55 (3)(a) For purposes of ad valorem taxation and applying to  
56 the 2025 tax roll only, tangible personal property owned and  
57 operated by a farm, a farm operation, or an agriculture  
58 processing facility located in Alachua County, Baker County,  
59 Bradford County, Brevard County, Charlotte County, Citrus  
60 County, Clay County, Collier County, Columbia County, DeSoto  
61 County, Dixie County, Duval County, Flagler County, Franklin  
62 County, Gilchrist County, Glades County, Gulf County, Hamilton  
63 County, Hardee County, Hendry County, Hernando County, Highlands  
64 County, Hillsborough County, Indian River County, Jefferson  
65 County, Lafayette County, Lake County, Lee County, Leon County,  
66 Levy County, Madison County, Manatee County, Marion County,  
67 Martin County, Okeechobee County, Orange County, Osceola County,  
68 Palm Beach County, Pasco County, Pinellas County, Polk County,



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69 Putnam County, Sarasota County, Seminole County, St. Johns  
70 County, St. Lucie County, Sumter County, Suwannee County, Taylor  
71 County, Union County, Volusia County, or Wakulla County is  
72 deemed to have a market value no greater than its value for  
73 salvage if the tangible personal property was unable to be used  
74 for at least 60 days due to the effects of Hurricanes Debby,  
75 Helene, and Milton.

76 (b) The deadline for an applicant to file an application  
77 with the property appraiser for assessment pursuant to this  
78 subsection is August 1, 2025.

79 (c) If the property appraiser denies an application, the  
80 applicant may file, pursuant to s. 194.011(3), a petition with  
81 the value adjustment board which requests that the tangible  
82 personal property be assessed pursuant to this section. Such  
83 petition must be filed on or before the 25th day after the  
84 mailing by the property appraiser during the 2025 calendar year  
85 of the notice required under s. 194.011(1).

86 (d) This subsection applies retroactively to January 1,  
87 2025.

88 Section 3. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section  
89 215.559, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

90 215.559 Hurricane Loss Mitigation Program.—A Hurricane Loss  
91 Mitigation Program is established in the Division of Emergency  
92 Management.

93 (1) The Legislature shall annually appropriate \$10 million  
94 of the moneys authorized for appropriation under s.  
95 215.555(7)(c) from the Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund to the  
96 division for the purposes set forth in this section. Of the  
97 amount:



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98 (b) Three million dollars in funds shall be used to  
99 construct or retrofit facilities used as public hurricane  
100 shelters. Each year the division shall prioritize the use of  
101 these funds for projects included in the annual report ~~of the~~  
102 ~~Shelter Development Report~~ prepared in accordance with s.  
103 252.385(3). The division shall ~~must~~ give funding priority to  
104 projects located in counties regional planning council regions  
105 that have shelter deficits, projects that are publicly owned,  
106 other than schools, and ~~to~~ projects that maximize the use of  
107 state funds.

108 Section 4. Section 250.375, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
109 read:

110 250.375 Medical officer authorization.—A servicemember  
111 trained to provide medical care who is assigned to a military  
112 duty position and authorized by the Florida National Guard to  
113 provide medical care by virtue of such duty position may provide  
114 such medical care to military personnel and civilians within  
115 this state ~~physician who holds an active license to practice~~  
116 ~~medicine in any state, a United States territory, or the~~  
117 ~~District of Columbia,~~ while serving as a medical officer with or  
118 in support of the Florida National Guard, pursuant to federal or  
119 state orders, ~~may practice medicine on military personnel or~~  
120 ~~civilians~~ during an emergency or declared disaster ~~or during~~  
121 ~~federal military training.~~

122 Section 5. Subsection (1) and paragraphs (a), (c), (n),  
123 (s), and (x) of subsection (2) of section 252.35, Florida  
124 Statutes, are amended, and a new paragraph (dd) is added to  
125 subsection (2) of that section, to read:

126 252.35 Emergency management powers; Division of Emergency



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127 Management.—

128       (1) The division is responsible for maintaining a  
129 comprehensive statewide program of emergency management. The  
130 division is responsible for coordination with efforts of the  
131 Federal Government with other departments and agencies of state  
132 government, with county and municipal governments and school  
133 boards, and with private agencies that have a role in emergency  
134 management. The Legislature intends for other departments and  
135 agencies of state government, county and municipal governments  
136 and school boards, and private agencies that have a role in  
137 emergency management to coordinate to the greatest extent  
138 possible in the provision of emergency management efforts  
139 through the division.

140       (2) The division is responsible for carrying out the  
141 provisions of ss. 252.31-252.90. In performing its duties, the  
142 division shall:

143       (a) Prepare a state comprehensive emergency management  
144 plan, which must ~~shall~~ be integrated into and coordinated with  
145 the emergency management plans and programs of the Federal  
146 Government. The complete state comprehensive emergency  
147 management plan must be submitted to the Governor, the President  
148 of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives  
149 on October 1 of every odd-numbered year. The division shall  
150 adopt the plan as a rule in accordance with chapter 120. The  
151 plan must be implemented by a continuous, integrated  
152 comprehensive emergency management program. The plan must  
153 contain provisions to ensure that the state is prepared for  
154 emergencies and minor, major, and catastrophic disasters, and  
155 the division shall work closely with local governments and



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156 agencies and organizations with emergency management  
157 responsibilities in preparing and maintaining the plan. The  
158 state comprehensive emergency management plan must be operations  
159 oriented and:

160 1. Include an evacuation component that includes specific  
161 regional and interregional planning provisions and promotes  
162 intergovernmental coordination of evacuation activities. This  
163 component must, at a minimum: contain guidelines for lifting  
164 tolls on state highways; ensure coordination pertaining to  
165 evacuees crossing county lines; set forth procedures for  
166 directing people caught on evacuation routes to safe shelter;  
167 establish strategies for ensuring sufficient, reasonably priced  
168 fueling locations along evacuation routes; and establish  
169 policies and strategies for emergency medical evacuations.

170 2. Include a shelter component that includes specific  
171 regional and interregional planning provisions and promotes  
172 coordination of shelter activities between the public, private,  
173 and nonprofit sectors. This component must, at a minimum:  
174 contain strategies to ensure the availability of adequate public  
175 shelter space in each county ~~region of the state~~; establish  
176 strategies for refuge-of-last-resort programs; provide  
177 strategies to assist local emergency management efforts to  
178 ensure that adequate staffing plans exist for all shelters,  
179 including medical and security personnel; provide for a  
180 postdisaster communications system for public shelters;  
181 establish model shelter guidelines for operations, registration,  
182 inventory, power generation capability, information management,  
183 and staffing; and set forth policy guidance for sheltering  
184 people with special needs.



185           3. Include a postdisaster response and recovery component  
186 that includes specific regional and interregional planning  
187 provisions and promotes intergovernmental coordination of  
188 postdisaster response and recovery activities. This component  
189 must provide for postdisaster response and recovery strategies  
190 according to whether a disaster is minor, major, or  
191 catastrophic. The postdisaster response and recovery component  
192 must, at a minimum: establish the structure of the state's  
193 postdisaster response and recovery organization; establish  
194 procedures for activating the state's plan; set forth policies  
195 used to guide postdisaster response and recovery activities;  
196 describe the chain of command during the postdisaster response  
197 and recovery period; describe initial and continuous  
198 postdisaster response and recovery actions; identify the roles  
199 and responsibilities of each involved agency and organization;  
200 provide for a comprehensive communications plan; establish  
201 procedures for coordinating and monitoring statewide mutual aid  
202 agreements reimbursable under federal public disaster assistance  
203 programs; provide for rapid impact assessment teams; ensure the  
204 availability of an effective statewide urban search and rescue  
205 program coordinated with the fire services; ensure the existence  
206 of a comprehensive statewide medical care and relief plan  
207 administered by the Department of Health; and establish systems  
208 for coordinating volunteers and accepting and distributing  
209 donated funds and goods.

210           4. Include additional provisions addressing aspects of  
211 preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation as determined  
212 necessary by the division.

213           5. Address the need for coordinated and expeditious





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214 deployment of state resources, including the Florida National  
215 Guard. In the case of an imminent major disaster, procedures  
216 should address predeployment of the Florida National Guard, and,  
217 in the case of an imminent catastrophic disaster, procedures  
218 should address predeployment of the Florida National Guard and  
219 the United States Armed Forces.

220         6. Establish a system of communications and warning to  
221 ensure that the state's population and emergency management  
222 agencies are warned of developing emergency situations,  
223 including public health emergencies, and can communicate  
224 emergency response decisions.

225         7. Establish guidelines and schedules for annual exercises  
226 that evaluate the ability of the state and its political  
227 subdivisions to respond to minor, major, and catastrophic  
228 disasters and support local emergency management agencies. Such  
229 exercises shall be coordinated with local governments and, to  
230 the extent possible, the Federal Government.

231         8. Assign lead and support responsibilities to state  
232 agencies and personnel for emergency support functions and other  
233 support activities.

234         9. Include the public health emergency plan developed by  
235 the Department of Health pursuant to s. 381.00315.

236         10. Include an update on the status of the emergency  
237 management capabilities of the state and its political  
238 subdivisions.

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240 ~~The complete state comprehensive emergency management plan must~~  
241 ~~be submitted to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the~~  
242 ~~House of Representatives, and the Governor on February 1 of~~



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243 ~~every even-numbered year.~~

244 (c) Assist political subdivisions in preparing and  
245 maintaining emergency management plans. Such assistance must  
246 include the development of a template for comprehensive  
247 emergency management plans and guidance on the development of  
248 mutual aid agreements when requested by the political  
249 subdivision.

250 (n) Implement training programs to maintain Florida's  
251 status as a national leader in emergency management and improve  
252 the ability of state and local emergency management personnel to  
253 prepare and implement emergency management plans and programs.  
254 This must ~~shall~~ include a continuous training program for  
255 agencies and individuals ~~who~~ ~~that~~ will be called on to perform  
256 key roles in state and local postdisaster response and recovery  
257 efforts and for local government personnel on federal and state  
258 postdisaster response and recovery strategies and procedures.  
259 The division shall specify requirements for the minimum number  
260 of training hours that county or municipal administrators,  
261 county or city managers, county or municipal emergency  
262 management directors, and county or municipal public works  
263 directors or other officials responsible for the construction  
264 and maintenance of public infrastructure must complete  
265 biennially in addition to the training required pursuant to s.  
266 252.38(1)(b).

267 (s) Complete an inventory of disaster response equipment,  
268 including portable generators owned by the state and local  
269 governments which are capable of operating during a major  
270 disaster. The inventory must identify, at a minimum, the  
271 location of each generator, the number of generators stored at



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272 each specific location, the agency to which each generator  
273 belongs, the primary use of the generator by the owner agency,  
274 and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of persons  
275 having the authority to loan the stored generators as authorized  
276 by the division during a declared emergency.

277 ~~(x) Report biennially to the President of the Senate, the~~  
278 ~~Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Chief Justice of~~  
279 ~~the Supreme Court, and the Governor, no later than February 1 of~~  
280 ~~every odd-numbered year, the status of the emergency management~~  
281 ~~capabilities of the state and its political subdivisions. This~~  
282 ~~report must include the emergency management capabilities~~  
283 ~~related to public health emergencies, as determined in~~  
284 ~~collaboration with the Department of Health.~~

285 (dd) Conduct, by April 1 of each year, an annual hurricane  
286 readiness session in each region designated by the division to  
287 facilitate coordination between all emergency management  
288 stakeholders. Each county emergency management director or his  
289 or her designee shall, and other county and municipal personnel  
290 may, attend the session for his or her region. A session must  
291 include, but is not limited to, guidance on timelines for  
292 preparation and response, information on state and federal  
293 postdisaster resources and assistance, guidance to promote  
294 efficient and expedited rebuilding of the community after a  
295 hurricane, best practices for coordination and communication  
296 among entities engaged in postdisaster response and recovery,  
297 and discussion of any outstanding county or municipal  
298 preparedness or readiness needs.

299 Section 6. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section  
300 252.355, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:



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301           252.355 Registry of persons with special needs; notice;  
302 registration program.—

303           (2) In order to ensure that all persons with special needs  
304 may register, the division shall develop and maintain a special  
305 needs shelter registration program. During a public health  
306 emergency in which physical distancing is necessary, as  
307 determined by the State Health Officer, the division must  
308 maintain information on special needs shelter options that  
309 mitigate the threat of the spread of infectious diseases.

310           (b) To assist in identifying persons with special needs,  
311 home health agencies, hospices, nurse registries, home medical  
312 equipment providers, the Department of Veterans' Affairs, the  
313 Department of Children and Families, the Department of Health,  
314 the Agency for Health Care Administration, the Department of  
315 Education, the Agency for Persons with Disabilities, the  
316 Department of Elderly Affairs, and memory disorder clinics  
317 shall, and any physician licensed under chapter 458 or chapter  
318 459 and any pharmacy licensed under chapter 465 may, annually  
319 provide registration information to all of their special needs  
320 clients or their caregivers. The division shall develop a  
321 brochure that provides information regarding special needs  
322 shelter registration procedures. The brochure must be easily  
323 accessible on the division's website. All appropriate agencies  
324 and community-based service providers, including aging and  
325 disability resource centers, memory disorder clinics, home  
326 health care providers, hospices, nurse registries, and home  
327 medical equipment providers, shall, and any physician licensed  
328 under chapter 458 or chapter 459 may, assist emergency  
329 management agencies by annually registering persons with special



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330 needs for special needs shelters, collecting registration  
331 information for persons with special needs as part of the  
332 program intake process, and establishing programs to educate  
333 clients about the registration process and disaster preparedness  
334 safety procedures. A client of a state-funded or federally  
335 funded service program who has a physical, mental, or cognitive  
336 impairment or sensory disability and who needs assistance in  
337 evacuating, or when in a shelter, must register as a person with  
338 special needs. The registration program shall give persons with  
339 special needs the option of preauthorizing emergency response  
340 personnel to enter their homes during search and rescue  
341 operations if necessary to ensure their safety and welfare  
342 following disasters.

343 Section 7. Subsections (2), (3), and (4) of section  
344 252.3611, Florida Statutes, are amended, and subsection (5) is  
345 added to that section, to read:

346 252.3611 Transparency; audits.—

347 (2) If ~~When~~ the duration of a declaration of a state of an  
348 emergency issued by the Governor exceeds 90 days, regardless of  
349 whether pursuant to the original declaration or extensions of  
350 the same declaration:

351 (a) 1. The Executive Office of the Governor or the  
352 appropriate agency, within 72 hours after ~~of~~ executing a  
353 contract executed with moneys authorized for expenditure to  
354 support the response to the declared state of emergency, must  
355 ~~the Executive Office of the Governor or the appropriate agency~~  
356 shall submit a copy of such contract to the Legislature. For  
357 contracts executed during the first 90 days of the declared  
358 state of emergency, the Executive Office of the Governor or the



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359 appropriate agency shall submit a copy to the Legislature within  
360 the first 120 days of the declared state of emergency.

361 2. All contracts executed to support the response to a  
362 declared state of emergency, including contracts executed before  
363 a declared state of emergency to secure resources or services in  
364 advance or anticipation of an emergency, must be posted on the  
365 secure contract tracking system required under s. 215.985(14).

366 (b) The Executive Office of the Governor or the appropriate  
367 agency shall submit monthly reports to the Legislature of all  
368 state expenditures, revenues received, and funds transferred by  
369 an agency during the previous month to support the declared  
370 state of emergency.

371 (3) Once an emergency exceeds 1 year, the Auditor General  
372 shall conduct a financial audit of all associated expenditures  
373 and a compliance audit of all associated contracts entered into  
374 during the declared emergency. The Auditor General shall ~~must~~  
375 update the audit annually until the emergency is declared to be  
376 ended. The Auditor General shall post the results of the audits  
377 on his or her official website.

378 (4) Following the expiration or termination of a state of  
379 emergency, the Auditor General shall conduct a financial audit  
380 of all associated expenditures and a compliance audit of all  
381 associated contracts entered into during the state of emergency.  
382 The Auditor General shall post the results of the audits on his  
383 or her official website.

384 (5) Annually by January 15, the division shall report to  
385 the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of  
386 Representatives, and the chairs of the appropriations committee  
387 of each house of the Legislature on expenditures related to



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388 emergencies incurred over the year from November 1 of the  
389 previous year. The report must include:

390 (a) A separate summary of each emergency event, whether  
391 complete or ongoing, and key actions taken by the division.

392 (b) Details of expenditures, separated by emergency event  
393 and agency, for preparing for, responding to, or recovering from  
394 the event. The report must specify detailed expenditures for the  
395 entire report time period; specify total expenditures for the  
396 event; and indicate amounts that are being or are anticipated to  
397 be reimbursed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency or  
398 other federal entity, amounts ineligible for reimbursement, and  
399 any amounts deobligated by the Federal Emergency Management  
400 Agency or other federal entity for reimbursement. The division  
401 shall review expenditures by state agencies to ensure that  
402 efforts, purchases, contracts, or expenditures are not  
403 duplicated.

404 (c) An accounting of all inventory and assets purchased,  
405 separated by emergency event and agency, for preparing for,  
406 responding to, or recovering from the event, including motor  
407 vehicles, boats, computers, and other equipment, and the current  
408 status of such assets, including divestment, sale, or donation  
409 by the state. The report must include a detailed accounting for  
410 the entire report time period and specify a total for the event.

411 Section 8. Subsections (2) and (4) of section 252.365,  
412 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

413 252.365 Emergency coordination officers; disaster-  
414 preparedness plans.—

415 (2) The emergency coordination officer is responsible for  
416 ~~coordinating with the division on emergency preparedness issues,~~



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417 preparing and maintaining emergency preparedness and  
418 postdisaster response and recovery plans for such agency,  
419 maintaining rosters of personnel to assist in disaster  
420 operations, ~~and~~ coordinating appropriate training for agency  
421 personnel, and coordinating with the division on emergency  
422 preparedness and recovery issues, including identifying  
423 priorities for postdisaster long-term recovery activities.

424 (4) On or before May 1 of each year, the head of each  
425 agency shall notify the Governor and the division in writing of  
426 the person initially designated as the emergency coordination  
427 officer for such agency and her or his alternate and of any  
428 changes in persons so designated thereafter.

429 Section 9. Section 252.3655, Florida Statutes, is amended  
430 to read:

431 252.3655 Natural hazards risks and mitigation interagency  
432 coordinating group ~~workgroup~~.

433 (1) (a) An interagency coordinating group ~~workgroup~~ is  
434 created for the purpose of sharing information on the current  
435 and potential risks and impacts of natural hazards throughout  
436 this ~~the~~ state, coordinating the ongoing efforts of state  
437 agencies in addressing and mitigating the risks and impacts of  
438 natural hazards, and collaborating on statewide initiatives to  
439 address and mitigate the risks and impacts of natural hazards.  
440 As used in this section, the term "natural hazards" includes,  
441 but is not limited to, extreme heat, drought, wildfire, sea-  
442 level change, high tides, storm surge, saltwater intrusion,  
443 stormwater runoff, flash floods, inland flooding, and coastal  
444 flooding.

445 (b) The agency head, or his or her designated senior





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446 manager, from each of the following agencies shall serve on the  
447 coordinating group:

448 1. Chief Resilience Officer of the Statewide Office of  
449 Resilience.

450 2. Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

451 3. Department of Commerce.

452 4. Department of Environmental Protection.

453 5. Department of Financial Services.

454 6. Department of Law Enforcement.

455 7. Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

456 8. Department of Military Affairs.

457 9. Division of Emergency Management.

458 10. Department of Transportation.

459 11. Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

460 12. Office of Insurance Regulation.

461 13. Public Service Commission.

462 14. Each water management district ~~Each agency within the~~  
463 ~~executive branch of state government, each water management~~  
464 ~~district, and the Florida Public Service Commission shall select~~  
465 ~~from within such agency a person to be designated as the agency~~  
466 ~~liaison to the workgroup.~~

467 (c) The director of the Division of Emergency Management,  
468 or his or her designee, shall serve as the administrator liaison  
469 ~~to and coordinator~~ of the coordinating group ~~workgroup~~.

470 (d) Each agency representative liaison shall provide  
471 information from his or her respective agency, including all  
472 relevant reports, on the current and potential risks and impacts  
473 of natural hazards to this state ~~to his or her agency,~~ agency  
474 resources available, and efforts made by the agency to address



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475 and mitigate the risks and impacts of ~~against~~ natural hazards,  
476 ~~and efforts made by the agency to address the impacts of natural~~  
477 ~~hazards.~~

478 (e) 1. The coordinating group ~~workgroup~~ shall meet in person  
479 or by means of communications media technology as provided in s.  
480 120.54(5)(b)2. at least teleconference ~~on a quarterly basis~~ to  
481 share information, leverage agency resources, coordinate ongoing  
482 efforts, and provide information for inclusion in the annual  
483 progress report submitted pursuant to subsection (2). Agency  
484 heads for the agencies listed in paragraph (b) shall meet in  
485 person at least annually to collectively strategize and  
486 prioritize state efforts.

487 2. Information regarding the coordinating group, including  
488 meeting agendas and reports, must be posted in a conspicuous  
489 location on the division's website.

490 (2) (a) On behalf of the coordinating group ~~workgroup~~, the  
491 division ~~of Emergency Management~~ shall prepare an annual  
492 progress report on the implementation of the state's hazard  
493 mitigation plan, developed and submitted in accordance with 42  
494 U.S.C. s. 5165 and any implementing regulations, as it relates  
495 to natural hazards. At a minimum, the annual progress report  
496 must:

497 1. Assess each agency's ~~the relevance, level, and~~  
498 ~~significance of current agency~~ efforts to address and mitigate  
499 the risks and impacts of natural hazards; and

500 2. Strategize and prioritize ongoing efforts to address and  
501 mitigate the risks and impacts of natural hazards;

502 3. Provide recommendations regarding statutory changes and  
503 funding that may assist in addressing or mitigating the risks



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504 and impacts of natural hazards; and

505 4. Provide recommendations for state and local natural  
506 hazard mitigation strategies.

507 ~~(b) Each liaison is responsible for ensuring that the~~  
508 ~~workgroup's annual progress report is posted on his or her~~  
509 ~~agency's website.~~

510 ~~(c) By January 1 of each year, 2019, and each year~~  
511 ~~thereafter, the division on behalf of the coordinating group~~  
512 ~~workgroup shall submit the annual progress report to the~~  
513 ~~Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the~~  
514 ~~House of Representatives.~~

515 Section 10. Present paragraphs (c) and (d) of subsection  
516 (5) of section 252.37, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as  
517 paragraphs (d) and (e), respectively, a new paragraph (c) is  
518 added to that subsection, and subsection (7) is added to that  
519 section, to read:

520 252.37 Financing.—

521 (5) Unless otherwise specified in the General  
522 Appropriations Act:

523 (c) If the division intends to accept or apply for federal  
524 funds for a division-administered program that is new, that will  
525 be implemented in a manner that is innovative or significantly  
526 different from the manner in which the program is typically  
527 administered, or that will require a state match for which the  
528 division will be required to seek new budget authority, the  
529 division must notify the Legislature of its intent to accept or  
530 apply for the federal funds. The notice must detail the federal  
531 program under which the funds will be accepted or applied for,  
532 the intended purpose and use of the funds, and the amount of



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533 funds, including the estimated state match.

534 (7) The division shall take steps to maximize the  
535 availability and expedite the distribution of financial  
536 assistance from the Federal Government to state and local  
537 agencies. Such steps must include the standardization and  
538 streamlining of the application process for financial assistance  
539 through the federal Public Assistance Program and provision of  
540 assistance to applicants in order to mitigate the risk of  
541 noncompliance with federal program requirements. The division  
542 shall use federal funds allocated as management cost or other  
543 funds as appropriated to implement this subsection.

544 Section 11. Section 252.3713, Florida Statutes, is created  
545 to read:

546 252.3713 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.—

547 (1) The division shall administer the Hazard Mitigation  
548 Grant Program as authorized and described in s. 404 of the  
549 Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act,  
550 as amended by Pub. L. No. 103-181, Pub. L. No. 103-337, and Pub.  
551 L. No. 106-390.

552 (2) The division may retain no more than 25 percent of the  
553 total federal allocation of funds received for use within the  
554 state. A minimum of 75 percent of any funds received pursuant to  
555 a declared disaster must be distributed for use by the  
556 subrecipients in the counties specified in the Presidential  
557 Disaster Declaration for that disaster. However, a subrecipient  
558 may elect to share some or all of its allocation with the  
559 division to be used for projects benefiting the region in which  
560 the subrecipient is located.

561 (3) The division and subrecipients shall prioritize



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562 projects that fulfill the following purposes when adopting  
563 mitigation strategies and plans and applying for funds under the  
564 grant program:

565 (a) Reducing shelter space deficits through retrofitting of  
566 existing shelters and hardening of public buildings that are not  
567 schools. Reducing deficits in shelter space intended to  
568 accommodate individuals with special needs must be prioritized  
569 before addressing deficits in other types of shelter space.

570 (b) Mitigating impacts to public infrastructure, including  
571 roads, bridges, and stormwater, water, and sewer systems, to  
572 enhance resistance to natural hazards and prevent and reduce  
573 losses.

574 (c) Mitigating impacts to school facilities which will  
575 reduce future disaster losses and make the facilities more  
576 resistant to natural hazards.

577 (d) Retrofitting of regional and local emergency management  
578 or operations centers.

579 (e) Other projects that the division may define by rule.

580 (4) The division may coordinate with other state agencies  
581 and political subdivisions to develop and implement innovative  
582 approaches to funding mitigation projects using grants under the  
583 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, including, but not limited to,  
584 combining funding received from multiple federal and state  
585 programs. The division, in cooperation with other state agencies  
586 that administer federal grant programs, shall ensure that:

587 (a) Projects funded through multiple programs comply with  
588 all applicable federal and state requirements of the respective  
589 programs under which funding was received.

590 (b) Funding is used for projects in the geographic areas



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591 specified in the grant of funding.

592 (5) A fiscally constrained county may request that the  
593 division administer the grant for such county. A fiscally  
594 constrained county may request additional assistance from the  
595 division in preparing applications for grants and developing a  
596 structure for implementing, monitoring the execution of, and  
597 closing out projects.

598 (6) The division shall adopt rules to implement this  
599 section.

600 Section 12. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section  
601 252.373, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

602 252.373 Allocation of funds; rules.—

603 (2) The division shall allocate funds from the Emergency  
604 Management, Preparedness, and Assistance Trust Fund to local  
605 emergency management agencies and programs pursuant to criteria  
606 specified in rule. Such rules shall include, but are not limited  
607 to:

608 (a) Requiring that, at a minimum, a local emergency  
609 management agency either:

610 1. Have a program director who works at least 40 hours a  
611 week in that capacity; or

612 2. If the county has fewer than 75,000 population or is  
613 party to an interjurisdictional emergency management agreement  
614 entered into pursuant to s. 252.38(3)(c) ~~s. 252.38(3)(b)~~, that  
615 is recognized by the Governor by executive order or rule, have  
616 an emergency management coordinator who works at least 20 hours  
617 a week in that capacity.

618 Section 13. Present paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection  
619 (3) of section 252.38, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as



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620 paragraphs (b) and (c), respectively, a new paragraph (a) is  
621 added to that subsection, and paragraph (a) of subsection (1) is  
622 amended, to read:

623       252.38 Emergency management powers of political  
624 subdivisions.—Safeguarding the life and property of its citizens  
625 is an innate responsibility of the governing body of each  
626 political subdivision of the state.

627       (1) COUNTIES.—

628       (a) In order to provide effective and orderly governmental  
629 control and coordination of emergency operations in emergencies  
630 within the scope of ss. 252.31-252.90, each county within this  
631 state shall be within the jurisdiction of, and served by, the  
632 division. Except as otherwise provided in ss. 252.31-252.90,  
633 each local emergency management agency shall have jurisdiction  
634 over and serve an entire county. Unless part of an  
635 interjurisdictional emergency management agreement entered into  
636 pursuant to paragraph (3) (c) ~~(3) (b)~~ which is recognized by the  
637 Governor by executive order or rule, each county must establish  
638 and maintain such an emergency management agency and shall  
639 develop a county emergency management plan and program that is  
640 coordinated and consistent with the state comprehensive  
641 emergency management plan and program. Counties that are part of  
642 an interjurisdictional emergency management agreement entered  
643 into pursuant to paragraph (3) (c) ~~(3) (b)~~ which is recognized by  
644 the Governor by executive order or rule shall cooperatively  
645 develop an emergency management plan and program that is  
646 coordinated and consistent with the state comprehensive  
647 emergency management plan and program.

648       (3) EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT POWERS; POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.—



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649       (a) Each political subdivision shall notify the division on  
650 or before May 1 each year of the person designated as the  
651 emergency contact for the political subdivision and his or her  
652 alternate and of any changes in persons so designated  
653 thereafter. For a county, this includes the county emergency  
654 management director.

655           Section 14. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 252.385,  
656 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

657           252.385 Public shelter space; public records exemption.—

658           (2)~~(a)~~ The division shall administer a program to survey  
659 existing schools, universities, community colleges, and other  
660 state-owned, municipally owned, and county-owned public  
661 buildings and any private facility that the owner, in writing,  
662 agrees to provide for use as a public hurricane evacuation  
663 shelter to identify those that are appropriately designed and  
664 located to serve as such shelters. The owners of the facilities  
665 must be given the opportunity to participate in the surveys. The  
666 state university boards of trustees, district school boards,  
667 community college boards of trustees, and the Department of  
668 Education are responsible for coordinating and implementing the  
669 survey of public schools, universities, and community colleges  
670 with the division or the local emergency management agency.

671           ~~(b) By January 31 of each even-numbered year, the division~~  
672 ~~shall prepare and submit a statewide emergency shelter plan to~~  
673 ~~the Governor and Cabinet for approval, subject to the~~  
674 ~~requirements for approval in s. 1013.37(2). The emergency~~  
675 ~~shelter plan must project, for each of the next 5 years, the~~  
676 ~~hurricane shelter needs of the state, including periods of time~~  
677 ~~during which a concurrent public health emergency may~~





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678 ~~necessitate more space for each individual to accommodate~~  
679 ~~physical distancing. In addition to information on the general~~  
680 ~~shelter needs throughout this state, the plan must identify the~~  
681 ~~general location and square footage of special needs shelters,~~  
682 ~~by regional planning council region. The plan must also include~~  
683 ~~information on the availability of shelters that accept pets.~~  
684 ~~The Department of Health shall assist the division in~~  
685 ~~determining the estimated need for special needs shelter space~~  
686 ~~and the adequacy of facilities to meet the needs of persons with~~  
687 ~~special needs based on information from the registries of~~  
688 ~~persons with special needs and other information.~~

689       (3) (a) The division shall annually provide by October 15 to  
690 the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of  
691 the House of Representatives a report that includes, ~~and the~~  
692 ~~Governor~~ a list of facilities recommended to be retrofitted  
693 using state funds. State funds should be maximized and targeted  
694 to projects in counties regional planning council regions with  
695 hurricane evacuation shelter deficits. Additionally, the  
696 division shall prioritize on the list of recommended facilities  
697 other state-owned, municipal-owned, and county-owned public  
698 buildings, other than schools, for retrofit using state funds.  
699 The owner or lessee of a public hurricane evacuation shelter  
700 that is included on the list of facilities recommended for  
701 retrofitting is not required to perform any recommended  
702 improvements.

703       (b) The report required in paragraph (a) must include a  
704 statewide emergency shelter plan that must project, for each of  
705 the next 5 years, the hurricane shelter needs of the state. In  
706 addition to information on the general shelter needs throughout



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707 this state, the plan must identify, by county, the general  
708 location and square footage of special needs shelters. The plan  
709 must also include information on the availability of shelters  
710 that accept pets. The Department of Health and the Agency for  
711 Persons with Disabilities shall assist the division in  
712 determining the estimated need for special needs shelter space,  
713 the estimated need for general shelter space to accommodate  
714 persons with developmental disabilities, including, but not  
715 limited to, autism, and the adequacy of facilities to meet the  
716 needs of persons with special needs based on information from  
717 the registries of persons with special needs and other  
718 information.

719 Section 15. Section 252.392, Florida Statutes, is created  
720 to read:

721 252.392 Post-storm county and municipal permitting;  
722 operations.-

723 (1) (a) Each county and municipality shall develop a post-  
724 storm permitting plan to expedite recovery and rebuilding by  
725 providing for special building permit and inspection procedures  
726 after a hurricane or tropical storm. The plan must, at a  
727 minimum:

728 1. Ensure sufficient personnel are prepared and available  
729 to expeditiously manage post-disaster building inspection,  
730 permitting, and enforcement tasks. The plan must anticipate  
731 conditions that would necessitate supplemental personnel for  
732 such tasks and address methods for fulfilling such personnel  
733 needs, including through mutual aid agreements as authorized in  
734 s. 252.40, other arrangements, such as those with private sector  
735 contractors, or supplemental state or federal funding. The plan



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736 must include training requirements and protocols for  
737 supplemental personnel to ensure compliance with local  
738 floodplain management requirements that apply within the county  
739 or municipality.

740 2. Account for multiple or alternate locations where  
741 building permit services may be offered in-person to the public  
742 following a hurricane or tropical storm, during regular business  
743 hours.

744 3. Specify a protocol to expedite permitting procedures  
745 and, if practicable, for the waiver or reduction of applicable  
746 fees in accordance with and in addition to the procedures and  
747 waivers provided for under s. 553.7922. The plan must identify  
748 the types of permits that are frequently requested following a  
749 hurricane or tropical storm and methods to expedite the  
750 processing of such permits.

751 4. Specify procedures and resources necessary to promote  
752 expeditious debris removal following a hurricane or tropical  
753 storm.

754 (b) Each county and municipality shall update the plan no  
755 later than May 1 annually.

756 (2)(a) By May 1 annually, each county and municipality  
757 shall publish on its website a hurricane and tropical storm  
758 recovery permitting guide for residential and commercial  
759 property owners. The guide must describe:

760 1. The types of post-storm repairs that require a permit  
761 and applicable fees.

762 2. The types of post-storm repairs that do not require a  
763 permit.

764 3. The post-storm permit application process and specific



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765 modifications the county or municipality commonly makes to  
766 expedite the process, including the physical locations where  
767 permitting services will be offered.

768 4. Local requirements for rebuilding specific to the county  
769 or municipality, including elevation requirements following  
770 substantial damage and substantial improvement pursuant to the  
771 National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and any local amendments  
772 to the building code.

773 (b) As soon as practicable following a hurricane or  
774 tropical storm, a county or municipality within the area for  
775 which a state of emergency pursuant to s. 252.36 for such  
776 hurricane or tropical storm is declared shall publish updates on  
777 its website to the information required under paragraph (a)  
778 which are specific to such storm, including any permitting fee  
779 waivers or reductions.

780 (3) For 180 days after a state of emergency is declared  
781 pursuant to s. 252.36 for a hurricane or tropical storm, a  
782 county or municipality within the area for which the state of  
783 emergency is declared:

784 (a) May not increase building permit or inspection fees.

785 (b) Must have employees and supplemental personnel  
786 available during the county's or municipality's normal business  
787 hours to process permits.

788 Section 16. Subsection (1) of section 400.063, Florida  
789 Statutes, is amended to read:

790 400.063 Resident protection.—

791 (1) The Health Care Trust Fund shall be used for the  
792 purpose of collecting and disbursing funds generated from the  
793 license fees and administrative fines as provided for in ss.



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794 393.0673(5), 400.062(3), 400.121(2), and 400.23(8). Such funds  
795 shall be for the sole purpose of paying for the appropriate  
796 alternate placement, care, and treatment of residents who are  
797 removed from a facility licensed under this part or a facility  
798 specified in s. 393.0678(1) in which the agency determines that  
799 existing conditions or practices constitute an immediate danger  
800 to the health, safety, or security of the residents. If the  
801 agency determines that it is in the best interest of the health,  
802 safety, or security of the residents to provide for an orderly  
803 removal of the residents from the facility, the agency may  
804 utilize such funds to maintain and care for the residents in the  
805 facility pending removal and alternative placement. The  
806 maintenance and care of the residents shall be under the  
807 direction and control of a receiver appointed pursuant to s.  
808 393.0678(1) or s. 400.126(1). However, funds may be expended in  
809 an emergency upon a filing of a petition for a receiver, upon  
810 the declaration of a state of local emergency pursuant to s.  
811 252.38(3)(b)5. ~~s. 252.38(3)(a)5.~~, or upon a duly authorized  
812 local order of evacuation of a facility by emergency personnel  
813 to protect the health and safety of the residents.

814 Section 17. Subsection (7) of section 403.7071, Florida  
815 Statutes, is amended, and subsection (8) is added to that  
816 section, to read:

817 403.7071 Management of storm-generated debris.—Solid waste  
818 generated as a result of a storm event that is the subject of an  
819 emergency order issued by the department may be managed as  
820 follows:

821 (7) Unless otherwise specified in a contract or franchise  
822 agreement between a local government and a private solid waste



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823 or debris management service provider, a private solid waste or  
824 debris management service provider is not required to collect  
825 storm-generated yard trash. Local governments are authorized and  
826 encouraged to add an addendum to existing contracts or franchise  
827 agreements for collection of storm-generated debris.

828 (8) (a) Each county and municipality shall apply to the  
829 department for authorization of at least one debris management  
830 site as described in subsection (2) and shall annually seek  
831 preauthorization for any previously approved debris management  
832 sites, as allowed by the department.

833 (b) A municipality may jointly apply for authorization of a  
834 debris management site with a county or at least one adjacent  
835 municipality, if the parties develop and approve a memorandum of  
836 understanding. Such memorandum must clearly outline the capacity  
837 of the debris management site and location of the site relative  
838 to each party. The memorandum of understanding must be approved  
839 annually as part of the preauthorization process described in  
840 paragraph (a).

841 Section 18. (1) Each county listed in the federal disaster  
842 declaration for Hurricane Debby (DR-4806), Hurricane Helene (DR-  
843 4828), or Hurricane Milton (DR-4834), and each municipality  
844 within one of those counties, shall not propose or adopt any  
845 moratorium on construction, reconstruction, or redevelopment of  
846 any property damaged by such hurricanes; propose or adopt more  
847 restrictive or burdensome amendments to its comprehensive plan  
848 or land development regulations; or propose or adopt more  
849 restrictive or burdensome procedures concerning review,  
850 approval, or issuance of a site plan, development permit, or  
851 development order, to the extent that those terms are defined by



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852 s. 163.3164, Florida Statutes, before October 1, 2027, and any  
853 such moratorium or restrictive or burdensome comprehensive plan  
854 amendment, land development regulation, or procedure shall be  
855 null and void ab initio. This subsection applies retroactively  
856 to August 1, 2024.

857 (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), any comprehensive plan  
858 amendment, land development regulation amendment, site plan,  
859 development permit, or development order approved or adopted by  
860 a county or municipality before or after the effective date of  
861 this section may be enforced if:

862 (a) The associated application is initiated by a private  
863 party other than the county or municipality.

864 (b) The property that is the subject of the application is  
865 owned by the initiating private party.

866 (3) (a) A resident of or the owner of a business in a county  
867 or municipality may bring a civil action for declaratory and  
868 injunctive relief against the county or municipality for a  
869 violation of this section. Pending adjudication of the action  
870 and upon filing of a complaint showing a violation of this  
871 section, the resident or business owner is entitled to a  
872 preliminary injunction against the county or municipality  
873 preventing implementation of the moratorium or the comprehensive  
874 plan amendment, land development regulation, or procedure. If  
875 such civil action is successful, the resident or business owner  
876 is entitled to reasonable attorney fees and costs.

877 (b) Attorney fees and costs and damages may not be awarded  
878 pursuant to this subsection if:

879 1. The resident or business owner provides the governing  
880 body of the county or municipality written notice that a



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881 proposed or enacted moratorium, comprehensive plan amendment,  
882 land development regulation, or procedure is in violation of  
883 this section; and

884 2. The governing body of the county or municipality  
885 withdraws the proposed moratorium, comprehensive plan amendment,  
886 land development regulation, or procedure within 14 days; or, in  
887 the case of an adopted moratorium, comprehensive plan amendment,  
888 land development regulation, or procedure, the governing body of  
889 a county or municipality notices an intent to repeal within 14  
890 days after receipt of the notice and repeals the moratorium,  
891 comprehensive plan amendment, land development regulation, or  
892 procedure within 14 days thereafter.

893 (4) This section shall take effect upon becoming a law and  
894 expires June 30, 2028.

895 Section 19. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment  
896 made by this act to section 252.35, Florida Statutes, in a  
897 reference thereto, subsection (6) of section 252.55, Florida  
898 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

899 252.55 Civil Air Patrol, Florida Wing.—

900 (6) The wing commander of the Florida Wing of the Civil Air  
901 Patrol shall biennially furnish the division a 2-year projection  
902 of the goals and objectives of the Civil Air Patrol which shall  
903 be reported in the division's biennial report submitted pursuant  
904 to s. 252.35.

905 Section 20. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this  
906 act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon  
907 this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1,  
908 2025.

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910 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

911 And the title is amended as follows:

912 Delete everything before the enacting clause

913 and insert:

914 A bill to be entitled

915 An act relating to emergency preparedness and  
916 response; amending s. 161.101, F.S.; authorizing the  
917 Department of Environmental Protection to waive or  
918 reduce local government match requirements under  
919 certain circumstances; providing for future  
920 expiration; amending s. 193.4518, F.S.; providing a  
921 tangible personal property assessment limitation,  
922 during a certain timeframe and in certain counties,  
923 for certain agricultural equipment that is unable to  
924 be used due to Hurricanes Debby, Helene, or Milton;  
925 specifying conditions for applying for and receiving  
926 the assessment limitation; providing procedures for  
927 petitioning the value adjustment board if an  
928 application is denied; providing for retroactive  
929 application; amending s. 215.559, F.S.; deleting a  
930 reference to a certain report; revising public  
931 hurricane shelter funding prioritization requirements  
932 for the Division of Emergency Management; amending s.  
933 250.375, F.S.; authorizing certain servicemembers to  
934 provide medical care in specified circumstances;  
935 amending s. 252.35, F.S.; providing legislative  
936 intent; revising the date by which the state  
937 comprehensive emergency management plan must be  
938 submitted to the Legislature and the Governor;



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939 revising the components of the plan; requiring the  
940 division to provide certain assistance to political  
941 subdivisions; revising requirements for training  
942 provided by the division; revising inventory  
943 requirements; deleting a requirement for a certain  
944 biennial report; requiring the division to conduct an  
945 annual hurricane readiness session in each region  
946 designated by the division for a specified purpose;  
947 requiring all county emergency management directors,  
948 and authorizing other county and municipal personnel  
949 to attend such session; requiring that the session  
950 include specified topics and needs; amending s.  
951 252.355, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Veterans'  
952 Affairs to provide certain information to specified  
953 clients or their caregivers; amending s. 252.3611,  
954 F.S.; directing specified entities to submit specified  
955 contracts and reports to the Legislature under  
956 specified conditions; requiring that such contracts be  
957 posted on a specified secure contract system;  
958 requiring the Auditor General to post the results of  
959 specified audits on his or her official website;  
960 requiring the division to report annually to the  
961 Legislature specified information on expenditures  
962 related to emergencies; providing requirements for  
963 such report; amending s. 252.365, F.S.; revising the  
964 responsibilities for agency emergency coordination  
965 officers; requiring agency heads to notify the  
966 Governor and the division of the person designated as  
967 the emergency coordination officer annually by a



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968 specified date; amending s. 252.3655, F.S.; creating  
969 the natural hazards risks and mitigation interagency  
970 coordinating group; providing the purpose of the  
971 group; providing for the membership and administration  
972 of the group; requiring agency representatives to  
973 provide information relating to natural hazards to  
974 this state, agency resources, efforts to address and  
975 mitigate risk and impacts of natural hazards;  
976 requiring the group to meet in person or by  
977 communication media technology at least quarterly for  
978 specified purposes; requiring specified agency heads  
979 to meet at least annually to strategize and prioritize  
980 state efforts; requiring the division, on behalf of  
981 the group, to prepare a certain progress report;  
982 revising the requirements of such report; revising  
983 requirements for an annual progress report by the  
984 division on behalf of the group; requiring the  
985 division, on behalf of the group, to submit such  
986 report to the Governor and the Legislature; amending  
987 s. 252.37, F.S.; requiring the division to notify the  
988 Legislature of its intent to accept or apply for  
989 federal funds under certain circumstances; requiring  
990 the division to take steps to maximize the  
991 availability and expedite distribution of financial  
992 assistance from the Federal Government to state and  
993 local agencies; requiring that such steps include the  
994 standardization and streamlining of the application  
995 process for federal financial assistance and the  
996 provision of assistance to those applicants for a



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997 specified purpose; requiring the division to use  
998 certain federal funds to implement such requirements;  
999 creating s. 252.3713, F.S.; requiring the division to  
1000 administer the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program;  
1001 authorizing the division to retain a specified  
1002 percentage of the funds for use within the state;  
1003 requiring that the remaining percentage be distributed  
1004 for use by certain recipients; authorizing  
1005 subrecipients to make a certain election for a  
1006 specified use; requiring the prioritization of certain  
1007 projects; authorizing the division to coordinate with  
1008 specified entities under certain circumstances;  
1009 requiring that such cooperation ensures certain  
1010 requirements are met and certain projects are funded;  
1011 authorizing fiscally constrained counties to request  
1012 that the division administer the grant for such a  
1013 county; authorizing such counties to request certain  
1014 assistance from the division; requiring the division  
1015 to adopt rules; amending s. 252.373, F.S.; conforming  
1016 a cross-reference; amending s. 252.38, F.S.; requiring  
1017 each political subdivision to notify the division of  
1018 the designated emergency contact annually by a  
1019 specified date; amending s. 252.385, F.S.; revising  
1020 reporting requirements for the division; revising  
1021 requirements for a specified list; requiring the  
1022 Department of Health and the Agency for Persons with  
1023 Disabilities to assist the division with certain  
1024 determinations; creating s. 252.392, F.S.; requiring  
1025 counties and municipalities to develop a post-storm



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1026 permitting plan; providing requirements for the plan;  
1027 requiring annual updates to the plan by a specified  
1028 date; requiring counties and municipalities to  
1029 publish, and post on their websites, a specified storm  
1030 recovery guide annually by a specified date;  
1031 prohibiting certain counties and municipalities from  
1032 increasing building permit or inspection fees within a  
1033 specified timeframe; requiring such counties and  
1034 municipalities to have certain personnel available  
1035 during normal business hours; amending s. 400.063,  
1036 F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s.  
1037 403.7071, F.S.; providing that local governments are  
1038 authorized and encouraged to add certain addendums to  
1039 certain contracts or agreements; requiring counties  
1040 and municipalities to apply to the Department of  
1041 Environmental Protection for authorization to  
1042 designate at least one debris management site;  
1043 authorizing municipalities to apply jointly with a  
1044 county or another adjacent municipality for  
1045 authorization of a minimum number of debris management  
1046 sites if such entities approve a memorandum of  
1047 understanding; providing requirements for such  
1048 memoranda; prohibiting certain counties from proposing  
1049 or adopting certain moratoriums, amendments, or  
1050 procedures for a specified period; declaring that such  
1051 moratoriums, amendments, or procedures are null and  
1052 void; providing for retroactive application; providing  
1053 that certain comprehensive plan amendments, land  
1054 development regulation amendments, site plans, and



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1055 development permits or orders may be enforced under  
1056 specified conditions; authorizing residents and owners  
1057 of certain businesses to bring a civil action for  
1058 declaratory and injunctive relief against a county or  
1059 municipality that violates specified provisions;  
1060 providing that such residents or business owners are  
1061 entitled to a preliminary injunction against such  
1062 county or municipality, under a specified condition;  
1063 providing for the award of attorney fees and costs;  
1064 prohibiting the awarding of attorney fees and costs  
1065 and damages under specified circumstances; providing  
1066 for future expiration; reenacting s. 252.55(6), F.S.,  
1067 relating to a certain biennial report submitted by the  
1068 wing commander of the Civil Air Patrol, to incorporate  
1069 the amendment made to s. 252.35, F.S., in a reference  
1070 thereto; providing effective dates.