THE FLORIDA SENATE 2021 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED

Committee on Judiciary

CS/CS/SB 1060 — Limitation of Liability for Voluntary Engineering or Architectural Services

by Regulated Industries Committee; Judiciary Committee; and Senator Bradley

The bill creates immunity from civil liability for an engineer, architect, or structures specialist furnishing engineering or architectural services as a volunteer under the direction of, or in connection with, a community emergency response team, a local emergency management agency, the Division of Emergency Management, or the Federal Emergency Management Agency, in response to a declared federal, state, or local emergency. The liability protection does not apply to an act or omission that was done with gross negligence or willful misconduct. The liability protection applies only to services provided within 90 days after the first declaration of a particular emergency.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2021.

Vote: Senate 40-0; House 118-0

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