

The Florida Senate  
**HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY**

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BILL: CS/SB 1288

INTRODUCER: Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security Committee and Senator Richter

SUBJECT: Emergency Management

DATE: March 8, 2016

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**I. Amendments Contained in Message:**

**House Amendment 1 – 176719** (body and title)

**II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:**

**House Amendment 1** instructs the Division of Emergency Management (DEM) to implement a statewide system to facilitate the transport and distribution of essentials in commerce throughout the state in the event of a declared emergency. The amendment describes essentials to mean goods that are consumed or used as a direct result of a declared emergency, or that are consumed or used to preserve, protect, or sustain life, health, safety, or economic well-being.

The DEM shall develop a system to certify each person who routinely transports or distributes essentials in commerce. Certification by the DEM will allow those certified to enter or remain in an area in which a curfew has been imposed as a result of a declared emergency for the limited purpose of facilitating the transport or distribution of essentials.

The certification is applicable to both pre and post-emergency declarations and is valid for up to one year. Each certificate is eligible for renewal as long as the criteria for certification are met. The amendment does not prohibit a law enforcement officer from specifying the permissible route of ingress or egress for a certified individual.