Senator Rodriguez moved the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 821 - 1088 and insert:

intrusive means. This standard of proof does not apply to evacuation orders and anti-looting-related orders issued in response to a declared disaster; such orders need only be justified under a rational basis standard.

(1) COUNTIES.—

(a) In order to provide effective and orderly governmental control and coordination of emergency operations in emergencies
within the scope of ss. 252.31-252.90, each county within this
state shall be within the jurisdiction of, and served by, the
division. Except as otherwise provided in ss. 252.31-252.90,
each local emergency management agency shall have jurisdiction
over and serve an entire county. Unless part of an
interjurisdictional emergency management agreement entered into
pursuant to paragraph (3)(b) which is recognized by the Governor
by executive order or rule, each county must establish and
maintain such an emergency management agency and shall develop a
county emergency management plan and program that is coordinated
and consistent with the state comprehensive emergency management
plan and program. Counties that are part of an
interjurisdictional emergency management agreement entered into
pursuant to paragraph (3)(b) which is recognized by the Governor
by executive order or rule shall cooperatively develop an
emergency management plan and program that is coordinated and
consistent with the state comprehensive emergency management
plan and program.

(b) Each county emergency management agency created and
established pursuant to ss. 252.31-252.90 shall have a director.
The director must meet the minimum training and education
qualifications established in a job description approved by the
county. The director shall be appointed by the board of county
commissioners or the chief administrative officer of the county,
as described in chapter 125 or the county charter, if
applicable, to serve at the pleasure of the appointing
authority, in conformance with applicable resolutions,
ordinances, and laws. A county constitutional officer, or an
employee of a county constitutional officer, may be appointed as
director following prior notification to the division. Each board of county commissioners shall promptly inform the division of the appointment of the director and other personnel. Each director has direct responsibility for the organization, administration, and operation of the county emergency management agency. The director shall coordinate emergency management activities, services, and programs within the county and shall serve as liaison to the division and other local emergency management agencies and organizations.

(c) Each county emergency management agency shall perform emergency management functions within the territorial limits of the county within which it is organized and, in addition, shall conduct such activities outside its territorial limits as are required pursuant to ss. 252.31-252.90 and in accordance with state and county emergency management plans and mutual aid agreements. Counties shall serve as liaison for and coordinator of municipalities’ requests for state and federal assistance during postdisaster emergency operations.

(d) During a declared state or local emergency and upon the request of the director of a local emergency management agency, the district school board or school boards in the affected area shall participate in emergency management by providing facilities and necessary personnel to staff such facilities. Each school board providing transportation assistance in an emergency evacuation shall coordinate the use of its vehicles and personnel with the local emergency management agency.

(e) County emergency management agencies may charge and collect fees for the review of emergency management plans on behalf of external agencies and institutions. Fees must be
reasonable and may not exceed the cost of providing a review of emergency management plans in accordance with fee schedules established by the division.

(2) MUNICIPALITIES.—Legally constituted municipalities are authorized and encouraged to create municipal emergency management programs. Municipal emergency management programs shall coordinate their activities with those of the county emergency management agency. Municipalities without emergency management programs shall be served by their respective county agencies. If a municipality elects to establish an emergency management program, it must comply with all laws, rules, and requirements applicable to county emergency management agencies. Each municipal emergency management plan must be consistent with and subject to the applicable county emergency management plan. In addition, each municipality must coordinate requests for state or federal emergency response assistance with its county. This requirement does not apply to requests for reimbursement under federal public disaster assistance programs.

(3) EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT POWERS; POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS.—
(a) In carrying out the provisions of ss. 252.31-252.90, each political subdivision shall have the power and authority:

1. To appropriate and expend funds; make contracts; obtain and distribute equipment, materials, and supplies for emergency management purposes; provide for the health and safety of persons and property, including emergency assistance to the victims of any emergency; and direct and coordinate the development of emergency management plans and programs in accordance with the policies and plans set by the federal and state emergency management agencies.
2. To appoint, employ, remove, or provide, with or without compensation, coordinators, rescue teams, fire and police personnel, and other emergency management workers.

3. To establish, as necessary, a primary and one or more secondary emergency operating centers to provide continuity of government and direction and control of emergency operations.

4. To assign and make available for duty the offices and agencies of the political subdivision, including the employees, property, or equipment thereof relating to firefighting, engineering, rescue, health, medical and related services, police, transportation, construction, and similar items or services for emergency operation purposes, as the primary emergency management forces of the political subdivision for employment within or outside the political limits of the subdivision.

5. To request state assistance or invoke emergency-related mutual-aid assistance by declaring a state of local emergency in the event of an emergency affecting only one political subdivision. The duration of each state of emergency declared locally is limited to 7 days; it may be extended, as necessary, in 7-day increments. Further, the political subdivision has the power and authority to waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of the political subdivision by law pertaining to:

a. Performance of public work and taking whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community.

b. Entering into contracts.

c. Incurring obligations.
d. Employment of permanent and temporary workers.

e. Utilization of volunteer workers.

f. Rental of equipment.

g. Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials, and facilities.

h. Appropriation and expenditure of public funds.

(b) Upon the request of two or more adjoining counties, or if the Governor finds that two or more adjoining counties would be better served by an interjurisdictional arrangement than by maintaining separate emergency management agencies and services, the Governor may delineate by executive order or rule an interjurisdictional area adequate to plan for, prevent, mitigate, or respond to emergencies in such area and may direct steps to be taken as necessary, including the creation of an interjurisdictional relationship, a joint emergency plan, a provision for mutual aid, or an area organization for emergency planning and services. A finding of the Governor pursuant to this paragraph shall be based on one or more factors related to the difficulty of maintaining an efficient and effective emergency prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery system on a unijurisdictional basis, such as:

1. Small or sparse population.

2. Limitations on public financial resources severe enough to make maintenance of a separate emergency management agency and services unreasonably burdensome.

3. Unusual vulnerability to emergencies as evidenced by a past history of emergencies, topographical features, drainage characteristics, emergency potential, and presence of emergency-prone facilities or operations.
4. The interrelated character of the counties in a multicounty area.

5. Other relevant conditions or circumstances.

(4) INVALIDATION OF CERTAIN EMERGENCY MEASURES.—The Governor, or the Legislature by concurrent resolution, may at any time invalidate an order, an ordinance, a proclamation, a rule, or any other measure issued by a political subdivision to address a purported emergency if the Governor or the Legislature determines that such order unnecessarily restricts a constitutional right, a fundamental liberty, or a statutory right.

Section 13. Subsections (1), (2), and (3) of section 252.385, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

252.385 Public shelter space.—

(1) It is the intent of the Legislature that this state not have a deficit of safe public hurricane evacuation shelter space in any region of the state by 1998 and thereafter.

(2)(a) The division shall administer a program to survey existing schools, universities, community colleges, and other state-owned, municipally owned, and county-owned public buildings and any private facility that the owner, in writing, agrees to provide for use as a public hurricane evacuation shelter to identify those that are appropriately designed and located to serve as such shelters. The owners of the facilities must be given the opportunity to participate in the surveys. The state university boards of trustees, district school boards, community college boards of trustees, and the Department of Education are responsible for coordinating and implementing the survey of public schools, universities, and community colleges.
(b) By January 31 of each even-numbered year, the division shall prepare and submit a statewide emergency shelter plan to the Governor and Cabinet for approval, subject to the requirements for approval in s. 1013.37(2). The emergency shelter plan must project, for each of the next 5 years, the hurricane shelter needs of the state, including periods of time during which a concurrent public health emergency may necessitate more space for each individual to accommodate physical distancing. In addition to information on the general shelter needs throughout this state, the plan shall identify the general location and square footage of special needs shelters, by regional planning council region, during the next 5 years. The plan also include information on the availability of shelters that accept pets. The Department of Health shall assist the division in determining the estimated need for special needs shelter space and the adequacy of facilities to meet the needs of persons with special needs based on information from the registries of persons with special needs and other information.

(3) The division shall annually provide to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Governor a list of facilities recommended to be retrofitted using state funds. State funds should be maximized and targeted to regional planning council regions with hurricane evacuation shelter deficits. Retrofitting facilities in regions with public hurricane evacuation shelter deficits shall be given first priority and should be completed by 2003. All recommended facilities should be retrofitted by 2008. The owner or lessee of
a public hurricane evacuation shelter that is included on the list of facilities recommended for retrofitting is not required to perform any recommended improvements.

Section 14. Subsection (1) of section 252.44, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

252.44 Emergency mitigation.—

(1) In addition to prevention measures included in the state and local comprehensive emergency management plans, the Governor shall consider on a continuing basis steps that could be taken to mitigate the harmful consequences of emergencies. At the Governor’s direction and pursuant to any other authority and competence they have, state agencies, including, but not limited to, those charged with responsibilities in connection with protecting and maintaining the public health, flood plain management, stream encroachment and flow regulation, weather modification, fire prevention and control, air quality, public works, land use and land use planning, and construction standards, shall make studies of emergency-mitigation-related matters. The Governor, from time to time, shall make such recommendations to the Legislature, local governments, and other appropriate public and private entities as may facilitate measures for mitigation of the harmful consequences of emergencies.

Section 15. Present subsection (3) of section 252.46, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (6), a new subsection (3) and subsections (4) and (5) are added to that section, and subsection (2) of that section is amended, to read:

252.46 Orders and rules.—

(2) All orders and rules adopted by the division or any
political subdivision or other agency authorized by ss. 252.31-252.90 to make orders and rules have full force and effect of law after adoption in accordance with the provisions of chapter 120 in the event of issuance by the division or any state agency or, if adopted promulgated by a political subdivision of the state or agency thereof, when filed in the office of the clerk or recorder of the political subdivision or agency adopting promulgating the same. Failure of a political subdivision to file any such order or rule with the office of the clerk or recorder within 3 days after issuance voids the order or rule. All existing laws, ordinances, and rules inconsistent with the provisions of ss. 252.31-252.90, or any order or rule issued under the authority of ss. 252.31-252.90, shall be suspended during the period of time and to the extent that such conflict exists.

(3) Emergency ordinances, declarations, and orders adopted by a political subdivision under the authority of ss. 252.31-252.90, including those enacted by a municipality pursuant to s. 166.041(3)(b), must be available on a dedicated webpage accessible through a conspicuous link on the political subdivision’s homepage. The dedicated webpage must identify the emergency ordinances, declarations, and orders currently in effect. Each political subdivision adopting emergency ordinances, declarations, or orders must provide the division with the link to the political subdivision’s dedicated webpage. The division must include these links in an easily identifiable format on its website.

(4) An order issued by a political subdivision automatically expires 10 days after its issuance; however, such
an order may be extended before its expiration by a majority vote of the governing body of the political subdivision if deemed necessary. Governing bodies conducting such a vote may convene by means of communications media technology as defined in s. 120.54(5)(b) to establish a quorum, if necessary. Upon the expiration of an order, a political

And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 118

and insert:

met; authorizing governing bodies to convene by means of communications media technology to establish a quorum; prohibiting a political subdivision from issuing