

By the Committees on Fiscal Policy; and Community Affairs; and  
Senator Martin

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to natural emergencies; creating ss.  
3       125.023 and 166.0335, F.S.; defining the term  
4       "temporary shelter"; prohibiting counties and  
5       municipalities, respectively, from prohibiting  
6       temporary shelters on residential property for a  
7       specified timeframe under certain circumstances;  
8       amending s. 189.0695, F.S.; authorizing independent  
9       special fire control districts to file a specified  
10      report on an alternative schedule under certain  
11      circumstances; providing for retroactive application;  
12      amending s. 252.35, F.S.; requiring the Division of  
13      Emergency Management to post a model contract for  
14      debris removal on its website by a specified date;  
15      requiring the model contract to be annually updated by  
16      a specified date; requiring the division to prioritize  
17      technical assistance and training relating to natural  
18      disasters and emergencies to fiscally constrained  
19      counties; requiring the division to administer a  
20      revolving loan fund for certain local government  
21      projects; amending s. 252.363, F.S.; increasing the  
22      timeframe to exercise rights under a permit or other  
23      authorization; limiting the timeframe to exercise  
24      rights under a permit or other authorization to a  
25      certain timeframe when multiple natural emergencies  
26      occur; creating s. 252.391, F.S.; defining the term  
27      "local governmental entity"; encouraging local  
28      governmental entities to develop an emergency  
29      financial plan for major disasters; providing the

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30 contents of the emergency financial plan; recommending  
31 annual review of the emergency financial plan;  
32 amending s. 252.40, F.S.; authorizing local  
33 governments to create inspection teams for the review  
34 and approval of certain expedited permits; encouraging  
35 local governments to establish certain interlocal  
36 agreements; encouraging local governments to develop  
37 plans related to temporary accommodations of certain  
38 individuals; amending s. 287.055, F.S.; revising the  
39 definition of the term "continuing contract";  
40 providing for the future expiration and reversion of  
41 specified statutory text; amending s. 288.066, F.S.;  
42 creating the Local Government Emergency Revolving  
43 Bridge Loan Program within the Department of Economic  
44 Opportunity to provide certain financial assistance to  
45 local governments impacted by federally declared  
46 disasters; conforming provisions to changes made by  
47 the act; providing construction; authorizing the  
48 department to provide interest-free loans to eligible  
49 local governments through specified means; requiring  
50 the department to prescribe a loan application;  
51 requiring the department to determine the loan amount  
52 based on certain factors; authorizing the department  
53 to deny a loan application and providing specified  
54 reasons for such denial; requiring the department to  
55 provide certain notice and make loan information  
56 available to eligible local governments; requiring  
57 loan repayments to be returned to the loan fund;  
58 providing that funds appropriated for the program are

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59 not subject to reversion; providing for expiration;  
60 amending s. 489.117, F.S.; authorizing a registered  
61 contractor to engage in contracting under certain  
62 circumstances; providing an expiration timeframe for  
63 such authorization; authorizing the local jurisdiction  
64 to discipline the registered contractor under certain  
65 circumstances; creating s. 553.7922, F.S.; requiring  
66 local governments impacted by certain emergencies to  
67 approve special processing procedures to expedite  
68 certain permits; amending s. 553.80, F.S.; prohibiting  
69 certain local governments from raising building  
70 inspection fees during a certain timeframe; providing  
71 for future expiration; prohibiting counties and  
72 municipalities located in areas included in certain  
73 federal disaster declarations from adopting or  
74 amending certain procedures for a specified period;  
75 providing for retroactive application; providing that  
76 certain comprehensive plan amendments, land  
77 development regulations, site plans, and development  
78 permits or orders may be enforced; providing for  
79 expiration; creating s. 627.4108, F.S.; requiring  
80 certain property insurers to submit any and all claims  
81 handling manuals to the Office of Insurance Regulation  
82 by a certain date and annually thereafter and within a  
83 certain timeframe of any updates to such manuals;  
84 requiring the insurers to include a certain  
85 attestation on a form prescribed by the office;  
86 requiring the office to conduct market conduct exams  
87 as necessary; amending s. 823.11, F.S.; authorizing

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88 certain persons to engage in a process relating to the  
89 removal and destruction of derelict vessels; providing  
90 appropriations; providing for the transfer of certain  
91 appropriated funds to the Economic Development Trust  
92 Fund of the Department of Economic Opportunity;  
93 requiring that loan repayments be repaid to the  
94 Economic Development Trust Fund; providing effective  
95 dates.

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97 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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99 Section 1. Section 125.023, Florida Statutes, is created to  
100 read:

101 125.023 Temporary shelter prohibition.-

102 (1) For the purposes of this section, the term "temporary  
103 shelter" includes, but is not limited to, a recreational  
104 vehicle, trailer, or similar structure placed on a residential  
105 property.

106 (2) Notwithstanding any other law, ordinance, or regulation  
107 to the contrary, following the declaration of a state of  
108 emergency issued by the Governor for a natural emergency as  
109 defined in s. 252.34(8) during which a permanent residential  
110 structure was damaged and rendered uninhabitable, a county may  
111 not prohibit the placement of one temporary shelter on the  
112 residential property for up to 36 months after the date of the  
113 declaration or until a certificate of occupancy is issued on the  
114 permanent residential structure on the property, whichever  
115 occurs first, if all of the following circumstances apply:

116 (a) The resident makes a good faith effort to rebuild or

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117 renovate the damaged permanent residential structure, including,  
118 but not limited to, applying for a building permit, submitting a  
119 plan or design to the county, or obtaining a construction loan.

120 (b) The temporary shelter is connected to water and  
121 electric utilities and does not present a threat to health and  
122 human safety.

123 (c) The resident lives in the temporary structure.

124 Section 2. Section 166.0335, Florida Statutes, is created  
125 to read:

126 166.0335 Temporary shelter prohibition.—

127 (1) For the purposes of this section, the term "temporary  
128 shelter" includes, but is not limited to, a recreational  
129 vehicle, trailer, or similar structure placed on a residential  
130 property.

131 (2) Notwithstanding any other law, ordinance, or regulation  
132 to the contrary, following the declaration of a state of  
133 emergency issued by the Governor for a natural emergency as  
134 defined in s. 252.34(8) during which a permanent residential  
135 structure was damaged and rendered uninhabitable, a municipality  
136 may not prohibit the placement of one temporary shelter on the  
137 residential property for up to 36 months after the date of the  
138 declaration or until a certificate of occupancy is issued on the  
139 permanent residential structure on the property, whichever  
140 occurs first, if all of the following circumstances apply:

141 (a) The resident makes a good faith effort to rebuild or  
142 renovate the damaged permanent residential structure, including,  
143 but not limited to, applying for a building permit, submitting a  
144 plan or design to the municipality, or obtaining a construction  
145 loan.

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146 (b) The temporary shelter is connected to water and  
147 electric utilities and does not present a threat to health and  
148 human safety.

149 (c) The resident lives in the temporary structure.

150 Section 3. Subsection (4) is added to section 189.0695,  
151 Florida Statutes, to read:

152 189.0695 Independent special districts; performance  
153 reviews.—

154 (4) Notwithstanding the timeframe specified in paragraph  
155 (2) (c), an independent special fire control district may file  
156 its final report of the performance review no later than 15  
157 months from the beginning of the district's fiscal year if the  
158 special district is within an area for which a state of  
159 emergency for a natural disaster was declared pursuant to s.  
160 252.36 or no later than 24 months from the beginning of the  
161 district's fiscal year if the special district is within an area  
162 for which a state of emergency was declared pursuant to s.  
163 252.36 for a hurricane rated category 3 or higher. This  
164 subsection applies retroactively to the final reports required  
165 to have been conducted by October 1, 2022.

166 Section 4. Effective upon becoming a law, paragraphs (bb),  
167 (cc), and (dd) are added to subsection (2) of section 252.35,  
168 Florida Statutes, to read:

169 252.35 Emergency management powers; Division of Emergency  
170 Management.—

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

174 (bb) Post on its website a model of a local government

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175 contract for debris removal to be used by political  
176 subdivisions. The initial model contract must be posted to the  
177 website no later than June 1, 2023, and, thereafter, the model  
178 contract must be annually updated and posted to the website no  
179 later than June 1.

180 (cc) Prioritize technical assistance and training to  
181 fiscally constrained counties as defined in s. 218.67 on aspects  
182 of safety measures, preparedness, prevention, response,  
183 recovery, and mitigation relating to natural disasters and  
184 emergencies.

185 (dd) Administer a revolving loan program for local  
186 government hazard mitigation projects.

187 Section 5. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section  
188 252.363, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

189 252.363 Tolling and extension of permits and other  
190 authorizations.—

191 (1) (a) The declaration of a state of emergency issued by  
192 the Governor for a natural emergency tolls the period remaining  
193 to exercise the rights under a permit or other authorization for  
194 the duration of the emergency declaration. Further, the  
195 emergency declaration extends the period remaining to exercise  
196 the rights under a permit or other authorization for 24 ~~6~~ months  
197 in addition to the tolled period. The extended period to  
198 exercise the rights under a permit or other authorization may  
199 not exceed 48 months in total in the event of multiple natural  
200 emergencies for which the Governor declares a state of  
201 emergency. This paragraph applies to the following:

202 1. The expiration of a development order issued by a local  
203 government.

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204 2. The expiration of a building permit.

205 3. The expiration of a permit issued by the Department of  
206 Environmental Protection or a water management district pursuant  
207 to part IV of chapter 373.

208 4. Permits issued by the Department of Environmental  
209 Protection or a water management district pursuant to part II of  
210 chapter 373 for land subject to a development agreement under  
211 ss. 163.3220-163.3243 in which the permittee and the developer  
212 are the same or a related entity.

213 5. The buildout date of a development of regional impact,  
214 including any extension of a buildout date that was previously  
215 granted as specified in s. 380.06(7)(c).

216 6. The expiration of a development permit or development  
217 agreement authorized by Florida Statutes, including those  
218 authorized under the Florida Local Government Development  
219 Agreement Act, or issued by a local government or other  
220 governmental agency.

221 Section 6. Section 252.391, Florida Statutes, is created to  
222 read:

223 252.391 Emergency financial plans.—

224 (1) As used in this section, the term "local governmental  
225 entity" means a county, municipality, or district school board.

226 (2) Each local governmental entity is encouraged to develop  
227 an emergency financial plan for major natural disasters that may  
228 impact its jurisdiction. Disasters include, but are not limited  
229 to, hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, and wildfires.

230 (3) Each emergency financial plan should be based on the  
231 likely frequency of the disaster's occurrence. The financial  
232 plan should include a calculation of the costs for the natural



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233 disaster event and a determination of the financial resources  
234 available to the local governmental entity. If insufficient  
235 funds are available to address the disaster event, the emergency  
236 financial plan should identify strategies to close the gap  
237 between the disaster event costs and the local governmental  
238 entity's financial capacity. Such strategies may include rainy  
239 day funds, reprioritizing its annual budget, and borrowing.

240 (4) Local governmental entities should annually review  
241 their emergency financial plans to address changes in  
242 conditions.

243 Section 7. Subsections (3) and (4) are added to section  
244 252.40, Florida Statutes, to read:

245 252.40 Mutual aid arrangements.—

246 (3) Local governments may create inspection teams to review  
247 and approve expedited permits for temporary housing solutions,  
248 repairs, and renovations after a natural disaster. Local  
249 governments are encouraged to establish interlocal agreements  
250 with other jurisdictions to provide additional inspection  
251 services during a state of emergency.

252 (4) Municipalities and counties are encouraged to develop  
253 and adopt plans to provide temporary accommodations for  
254 contractors, utility workers, first responders, and others  
255 dispatched to aid in hurricane recovery efforts. Public areas,  
256 including, but not limited to, fairgrounds and parking lots, may  
257 be used for tents and trailers for such temporary  
258 accommodations.

259 Section 8. Effective upon becoming a law, paragraph (g) of  
260 subsection (2) of section 287.055, Florida Statutes, is amended  
261 to read:

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262 287.055 Acquisition of professional architectural,  
263 engineering, landscape architectural, or surveying and mapping  
264 services; definitions; procedures; contingent fees prohibited;  
265 penalties.—

266 (2) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

267 (g) A “continuing contract” is a contract for professional  
268 services entered into in accordance with all the procedures of  
269 this act between an agency and a firm whereby the firm provides  
270 professional services to the agency for projects in which the  
271 estimated construction cost of each individual project under the  
272 contract does not exceed \$4 million, for study activity if the  
273 fee for professional services for each individual study under  
274 the contract does not exceed \$500,000, or for work of a  
275 specified nature as outlined in the contract required by the  
276 agency, with the contract being for a fixed term or with no time  
277 limitation except that the contract must provide a termination  
278 clause. Firms providing professional services under continuing  
279 contracts shall not be required to bid against one another. The  
280 term “continuing contract” includes contracts executed through  
281 December 31, 2023, for professional services to the agency for  
282 projects related to repairs and remediation to a specific site  
283 due to damage caused by Hurricane Ian in which the estimated  
284 construction cost for each individual project does not exceed  
285 \$15 million.

286 Section 9. The amendments made by this act to s.  
287 287.055(2)(g), Florida Statutes, expire on July 1, 2026, and the  
288 text of that paragraph shall revert to that in existence on the  
289 day before the date that this act became a law, except that any  
290 amendments to such text enacted other than by this act shall be

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291 preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such  
292 amendments are not dependent upon the portions of the text which  
293 expire pursuant to this section.

294 Section 10. Section 288.066, Florida Statutes, as created  
295 by section 1 of chapter 2023-1, Laws of Florida, is amended to  
296 read:

297 288.066 Local Government Emergency Revolving Bridge Loan  
298 Program.—

299 (1) CREATION.—The Local Government Emergency Revolving  
300 Bridge Loan Program is created, ~~subject to appropriation,~~ within  
301 the department to provide financial assistance to local  
302 governments impacted by federally declared disasters ~~Hurricane~~  
303 ~~Ian or Hurricane Nicole~~. The purpose of the loan program is to  
304 assist these local governments in maintaining government  
305 operations by bridging the gap between the time that the  
306 declared disaster occurred and the time that additional funding  
307 sources or revenues are secured to provide them with financial  
308 assistance.

309 (2) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible for a loan under the  
310 program, a local government must be a county or a municipality  
311 located in an area designated in a ~~the~~ Federal Emergency  
312 Management Agency disaster declaration ~~declarations for~~  
313 ~~Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole~~. The local government must  
314 show that it may suffer or has suffered substantial loss of its  
315 tax or other revenues as a result of the disaster ~~hurricane~~ and  
316 demonstrate a need for financial assistance to enable it to  
317 continue to perform its governmental operations. Access to and  
318 eligibility for the loan program supersedes any local government  
319 charter or borrowing limitations that would otherwise

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320 financially constrain the local government's ability to recover  
321 from a disaster.

322 (3) LOAN TERMS.—

323 (a) The department may provide interest-free loans to  
324 eligible local governments through a promissory note or other  
325 form of written agreement evidencing an obligation to repay the  
326 borrowed funds to the department.

327 (b) The amount of each loan must be based upon demonstrated  
328 need ~~and must be disbursed to the local government in a lump~~  
329 ~~sum.~~

330 (c) The term of the loan is up to 1 year, ~~unless otherwise~~  
331 ~~extended by the department.~~ However, the department may extend  
332 loan terms for up to 6 months based on the local government's  
333 financial condition.

334 (4) APPLICATION.—The department shall prescribe a loan  
335 application and any other information determined necessary by  
336 the department to review and evaluate the application. The  
337 eligible local government must submit a loan application within  
338 the 12 months after the date that the federal disaster was  
339 declared. Upon receipt of an application, the department shall  
340 review the application and may request additional information as  
341 necessary to complete the review and evaluation. The department  
342 shall determine the amount to be loaned, which may be a lower  
343 amount than requested, based on the information provided and the  
344 total amount of funds available to be loaned and in relation to  
345 demonstrated need from other eligible applicants. The department  
346 may deny a loan application. Reasons for a loan application  
347 denial may include, but are not limited to, the loan risk, an  
348 incomplete application, failure to demonstrate need, or the fact

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349 that receiving a loan may negatively affect the local  
350 government's eligibility for other federal programs.

351 (5)~~(4)~~ USE OF LOAN FUNDS.—A local government may use loan  
352 funds only to continue local governmental operations or to  
353 expand or modify such operations to meet disaster-related needs.  
354 The funds may not be used to finance or supplant funding for  
355 capital improvements or to repair or restore damaged public  
356 facilities or infrastructure.

357 (6)~~(5)~~ LOAN REPAYMENT.—

358 (a) The local government may make payments against the loan  
359 at any time without penalty. Early repayment is encouraged as  
360 other funding sources or revenues become available to the local  
361 government.

362 (b) Loans become due and payable in accordance with the  
363 terms of the agreement.

364 (7)~~(6)~~ ADMINISTRATION.—

365 (a) Upon the issuance of a federal disaster declaration,  
366 the department shall provide notice of application requirements  
367 and the total amount of funds available and make loan  
368 information available to eligible local governments. Based upon  
369 the amount of funds in the Economic Development Trust Fund  
370 available to be loaned and anticipated balances, the department  
371 may make funds available in an amount reasonably related to the  
372 anticipated need, based upon the impacts of the federal  
373 disaster, up to the total amount available ~~The department may~~  
374 ~~approve loans in the 2022-2023 fiscal year or the 2023-2024~~  
375 ~~fiscal year up to the total amount appropriated.~~

376 (b) The department must coordinate with the Division of  
377 Emergency Management or other applicable state agencies to

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378 assess whether such loans would affect reimbursement under  
379 federal programs for disaster-related expenses.

380 (c) All repayments of principal and interest shall be  
381 returned to the loan fund and made available as provided in this  
382 section. Notwithstanding s. 216.301, funds appropriated for this  
383 program are not subject to reversion ~~Upon receipt of any loan~~  
384 ~~payment from a local government, the department shall transfer~~  
385 ~~the funds to the General Revenue Fund.~~

386 (8)~~(7)~~ RULES.—The department may adopt rules to implement  
387 this section.

388 (9)~~(8)~~ EXPIRATION.—This section expires July 1, 2038 ~~June~~  
389 ~~30, 2027~~. A loan may not be awarded after June 30, 2038. Upon  
390 expiration, all unencumbered funds and loan repayments made on  
391 or after July 1, 2038, shall be transferred ~~revert~~ to the  
392 General Revenue Fund.

393 Section 11. Effective upon becoming a law, subsection (5)  
394 is added to section 489.117, Florida Statutes, to read:

395 489.117 Registration; specialty contractors.—

396 (5) Notwithstanding paragraph (1)(b), a registered  
397 contractor may engage in contracting only for work covered by  
398 the registration within an area for which a state of emergency  
399 is declared pursuant to s. 252.36 for a natural emergency. This  
400 authorization terminates 24 months after the expiration of the  
401 declared state of emergency. The local jurisdiction that  
402 licenses the registered contractor may discipline the registered  
403 contractor for violations occurring outside the licensing  
404 jurisdiction which occur during the period such work is  
405 authorized under this subsection.

406 Section 12. Section 553.7922, Florida Statutes, is created

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407 to read:

408 553.7922 Local government-expedited approval of certain  
409 permits.—Following a state of emergency declared pursuant to  
410 252.36 for a natural emergency, local governments impacted by  
411 the emergency shall approve special processing procedures to  
412 expedite permit issuance for permits that do not require  
413 technical review, including, but not limited to, roof repairs,  
414 reroofing, electrical repairs, service changes, or the  
415 replacement of one window or one door. Local governments may  
416 waive application and inspection fees for permits expedited  
417 under this section.

418 Section 13. Effective upon becoming a law, present  
419 subsections (8) and (9) of section 553.80, Florida Statutes, are  
420 redesignated as subsections (9) and (10), respectively, and a  
421 new subsection (8) is added to that section, to read:

422 553.80 Enforcement.—

423 (8) Effective January 1, 2023, local governments located in  
424 areas designated in the Federal Emergency Management Agency  
425 disaster declarations for Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole may  
426 not raise building inspection fees, as authorized by s.  
427 125.56(2) or s. 166.222 and this section, before October 1,  
428 2024. This subsection expires June 30, 2025.

429 Section 14. (1) A county or municipality located in an area  
430 designated in a Federal Emergency Management Agency disaster  
431 declaration for Hurricane Ian or Hurricane Nicole shall not  
432 propose or adopt more restrictive or burdensome procedures to  
433 its comprehensive plan or land development regulations,  
434 concerning review, approval, or issuance of a site plan,  
435 development permit or development order, to the extent those

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436 terms are defined by s. 163.3164, Florida Statutes, before  
437 October 1, 2024. This subsection applies retroactively to  
438 September 29, 2022.

439 (2) Any comprehensive plan amendment, land development  
440 regulation, site plan, development permit, or development order  
441 approved by a county or municipality under procedures adopted  
442 before the effective date of this act may be enforced.

443 (3) This section shall take effect upon becoming a law and  
444 expires June 30, 2025.

445 Section 15. Section 627.4108, Florida Statutes, is created  
446 to read:

447 627.4108 Submission of claims handling manuals;  
448 attestation.—

449 (1) This section is intended to ensure that property  
450 insurers are able to properly handle insurance claims during  
451 natural disasters, catastrophes, and other emergencies.

452 (2) Each authorized property insurer and eligible surplus  
453 lines property insurer conducting business in this state must  
454 submit any and all claims handling manuals to the office:

455 (a) On or before August 1, 2023;

456 (b) Annually thereafter, on or before May 1 of each  
457 calendar year; and

458 (c) Within 30 days of any updates or amendments to such  
459 manual.

460 (3) The insurer must include with each such submission an  
461 attestation on a form prescribed by the office stating that:

462 (a) The insurer's claims handling manual complies with the  
463 requirements of this code and comports to usual and customary  
464 industry claims handling practices; and



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465 (b) The insurer maintains adequate resources available to  
466 implement the requirements of its claims handling manual at all  
467 times, including during extreme catastrophic events.

468 (4) The office may, as often as it deems necessary, conduct  
469 market conduct examinations under s. 624.3161 of insurers to  
470 ensure compliance with this section.

471 Section 16. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (2) of  
472 section 823.11, Florida Statutes, to read:

473 823.11 Derelict vessels; relocation or removal; penalty.—

474 (2)

475 (d) Notwithstanding the additional 45 days provided in sub-  
476 paragraph (b)2.b. during which an owner or a responsible  
477 party may not be charged for a violation of this section, the  
478 commission, an officer of the commission, a law enforcement  
479 agency or officer specified in s. 327.70, or, during a state of  
480 emergency declared by the Governor, the Division of Emergency  
481 Management or its designee, may immediately begin the process  
482 set forth in s. 705.103(2)(a) and, once that process has been  
483 completed and the 45 days provided herein have passed, any  
484 vessel that has not been removed or repaired such that it is no  
485 longer derelict upon the waters of this state may be removed and  
486 destroyed as provided therein.

487 Section 17. For the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the sums of \$1  
488 million in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund and  
489 \$10 million in nonrecurring funds from the Federal Grants Trust  
490 Fund are appropriated to the Division of Emergency Management to  
491 fund the Safeguarding Tomorrow Through Ongoing Risk Mitigation  
492 Act Revolving Loan Program. These funds shall be placed in  
493 reserve. The division is authorized to submit a budget amendment

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494 for release of the funds held in reserve for approval by the  
495 Legislative Budget Commission pursuant to chapter 216, Florida  
496 Statutes. Release is contingent upon documentation of an award  
497 or other approval by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and  
498 the division's approved intended use plan for the funds.

499 Section 18. The sum of \$971,331 in recurring funds and  
500 \$37,456 in nonrecurring funds from the Insurance Regulatory  
501 Trust Fund and eight positions with associated salary rate of  
502 625,000 is appropriated to the Office of Insurance Regulation  
503 related to hurricane related market conduct activity.

504 Section 19. (1) For the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the sum of  
505 \$50 million in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the  
506 General Revenue Fund to the Economic Development Trust Fund of  
507 the Department of Economic Opportunity to fund the Local  
508 Government Emergency Revolving Bridge Loan Program.

509 (2) Funds appropriated in section 3 of chapter 2023-1, Laws  
510 of Florida, for the Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan  
511 Program which have not been loaned to a local government  
512 pursuant to a loan agreement as of July 1, 2023, shall be  
513 transferred by nonoperating budget authority to the Economic  
514 Development Trust Fund of the Department of Economic Opportunity  
515 to be used for the Local Government Emergency Revolving Bridge  
516 Loan Program.

517 (3) Notwithstanding sections 1 and 3 of chapter 2023-1,  
518 Laws of Florida, all loan repayments for loans made under the  
519 Local Government Emergency Bridge Loan Program shall be repaid  
520 into the Economic Development Trust Fund and be made available  
521 for loans under the Local Government Emergency Revolving Bridge  
522 Loan Program.

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523           Section 20. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this  
524 act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon  
525 becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2023.