



Select Committee on Hurricane Response and Preparedness

Thursday, October 12, 2017

1:30 PM

Sumner Hall (404 HOB)

ACTION PACKET

Richard Corcoran
Speaker

Jeanette Nuñez
Chair

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT
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Summary: No Bills Considered

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Attendance:

	<i>Present</i>	<i>Absent</i>	<i>Excused</i>
Jeanette Nuñez (Chair)	X		
Ben Albritton	X		
Robert Asencio	X		
Daniel Burgess, Jr.	X		
Cord Byrd	X		
Robert Cortes	X		
Tracie Davis	X		
Dane Eagle	X		
Michael Grant	X		
Kristin Jacobs	X		
Larry Lee, Jr.	X		
Jared Moskowitz	X		
Elizabeth Porter	X		
Holly Raschein	X		
Paul Renner	X		
Ray Rodrigues	X		
Sean Shaw	X		
Chris Sprows	X		
Richard Stark	X		
Cyndi Stevenson	X		
Jay Trumbull	X		
Totals:	21	0	0

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Presentation/Workshop/Other Business Appearances:

Maul, Wesley (Lobbyist) (State Employee) - Information Only
Division of Emergency Management
Interim Director
2555 Shumard Oak Blvd
Tallahassee FL 32399-7018
Phone: (407) 375-2844

Leo Lachat (State Employee) - Information Only
Florida Division of Emergency Management
Deputy Director
2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee Florida 32399-2100
Phone: (850) 815-4000

Byrne, Kevin (General Public) - Information Only
256 SE Todd Ave
Port St. Lucie FL 34983
Phone: 772-979-5899

Disability Related Independent Living Disaster Experience

Baker, James (General Public) - Proponent
Florida Independent Living Council
1882 Capital Circle NE Suite 202
Tallahassee FL 32308
Phone: 310-946-3654

Hurricane Irma Update

Altmaier, David (Lobbyist) (State Employee) - Information Only
Office of Insurance Regulation
Commissioner
200 E Gaines St
Tallahassee FL 32399
Phone: (850) 413-5310

Hurricane Response for People with Disabilities

Pierce, Brenda (General Public) - Proponent
Florida Association of Center for Independent Living (FACIL)
325 John Knox Rd Building C, Suite 325
Tallahassee FL
Phone: 8505756004

Lee County Emergency Management

Lee Mayfield - Information Only
Lee County
Acting Director/Emergency Planning Manager
2675 Ortiz Avenue
Fort Myers Florida 33905
Phone: (239) 533-0620

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Lee County Emergency Management

Roger Desjarlais - Information Only

Lee County

County Manager

1325 Lynwood Avenue

Fort Myers Florida 33901

Phone: (239) 989-6911

Monroe County Emergency Management

Martin Senterfitt - Information Only

Monroe County

Emergency Management Director

490 63rd Street Suite 150

Marathon Florida 33050

Phone: (305) 289-6018

St. Johns County Emergency Management

Michael Wanchick - Information Only

St. Johns County

County Administrator

500 San Sebastian View

St. Augustine Florida 32084

Phone: (904) 209-0530

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MONROE COUNTY

THE FLORIDA KEYS AREA OF CRITICAL STATE CONCERN (ASCS)

2018 STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES



HURRICANE IRMA

1. State Support for FEMA reimbursement percentage and timeframe: State support/request for 90% or 100% reimbursement for Category A and B, and extended timeframes.
2. State Support for FEMA Advanced Payment/Immediate Needs Funding.
3. State Support for FEMA reimbursement for marine debris (canals and derelict vessels, \$28M.)
4. State Support for FEMA Emergency Housing STEP program: State support/request for increased level of funding, extension of timeframes, household maximums, inclusion of workforce renters, enhanced scope to include full drywall.

MONROE COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATION CENTER

1. Support funding for the design and construction of a Monroe County Emergency Operation Center. (\$20m)
 - Support funding from Florida Division of Emergency Management.
 - Support legislative appropriation.

FLORIDA KEYS STEWARDSHIP ACT

1. Water Quality: Support \$20M appropriation pursuant to The Florida Keys Stewardship Act (Chapter 2016-225, Laws of Florida) to construct water quality projects in the Florida Keys. (*Local Commitment: \$7M in local funding expended, and commitment of \$20M in County RESTORE funding.*)
2. Florida Forever: Support \$5M appropriation within Florida Forever for land acquisition within the Florida Keys as authorized in The Florida Keys Stewardship Act that will both retire development rights AND conserve environmentally sensitive land. (*Local Commitment: \$16M in local funding committed.*)
3. Enhanced land acquisition to address legal liability: Support new statutory language to enable the State to acquire land for the express purpose of reducing potential legal liability for private property rights claims that are anticipated to arise as a result of State imposed growth restriction due to the State's designation of the Florida Keys as an Area of Critical State Concern.

APPROPRIATIONS

- SUPPORT \$20M legislative appropriation for water quality projects in the Florida Keys, per FKSA.
- SUPPORT \$5M legislative appropriation for land acquisition in the Florida Keys through Florida Forever set-aside, per FKSA
- SUPPORT funding from DEM, DOT, and Legislature for the construction of an Emergency Operation Center.
- SUPPORT \$500,000 legislative appropriation for pump-out services in the Florida Keys.
- SUPPORT \$7M legislative appropriation to DEP for Overseas Heritage Trail Pedestrian Bridges for the Preliminary Design and Engineering study to assess the conditions and repair options for Trail's bridges.
- SUPPORT \$8.5M in DOT SUNTrail Grant funding to DEP for Overseas Heritage Trail for construction of Sugarloaf section of Trail.
- SUPPORT legislative appropriations and/or agency funding for emergency costs related to Hurricane Irma.

Contact: Roman Gastesi, County Administrator (305) 292-4441 – gastesi-roman@monroecounty.fl.gov

Dear Representatives and Senators:

For many years now letter carriers have been at the forefront of community involvement. Whether reporting unusual vehicles in the neighborhoods we service daily, conducting the largest one day food drive in the world, watching after seniors with neighborhood watch programs, raising money through events held year round for the muscular dystrophy association, or coming to the aid of people in need, we are in the communities across America every day!

While credit is due to the police and fire departments as first responders, the presence of a mail delivery vehicle in a neighborhood is often the first sign of things returning to normal.

This year, after being ravaged by Hurricane Irma, letter carriers across the state of Florida began returning to work as soon as possible. In many cases, mail delivery was resumed before power had been restored. Letter carriers witnessed the widespread use of portable generators in neighborhood after neighborhood. When news reports began to come out of accidental carbon monoxide poisoning resulting in deaths in different parts of the state, the Florida State Association of Letter Carriers decided to get involved.

We would like to work with the state legislature to enact protection measures that address carbon monoxide poisoning. Such legislation could include the following:

- Mandating that a consumer purchasing a generator must also purchase a CO detector.
- Requiring that manufacturers of generators sold in Florida include a CO detector with the generator.
- Having the state of Florida issue a rebate in the form of a voucher upon receipt of proof of purchase of a CO detector along with a generator.
- Having the manufacturer of a generator issue a rebate in the form of a voucher upon receipt of proof of purchase of a CO detector along with a generator.

With the Speaker of the House establishing the Select Committee on Hurricane Response and Preparedness, we now have the perfect forum to bring attention to this issue. An issue which could affect the lives of many.

We are currently looking for a state representative and a senator to sponsor a bill that would accomplish our goal. We look forward to participating in this effort.

Kevin J Byrne

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