

CHAPTER 2022-2

Senate Bill No. 98

An act relating to the Emergency Preparedness and Response Fund; creating s. 252.3711, F.S.; creating the Emergency Preparedness and Response Fund within the Executive Office of the Governor; providing for the deposit and use of funds; providing for future review and termination of the fund; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 252.3711, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

252.3711 Emergency Preparedness and Response Fund.—

(1) The Emergency Preparedness and Response Fund is created within the Executive Office of the Governor.

(2) The fund is established for use as a depository for moneys specifically transferred or appropriated to the fund. The moneys deposited in the fund are available as a primary funding source for the Governor for purposes of preparing or responding to a disaster declared by the Governor as a state of emergency that exceeds regularly appropriated funding sources.

(3) In accordance with s. 19(f)(2), Art. III of the State Constitution, the Emergency Preparedness and Response Fund shall, unless terminated sooner, be terminated 4 years after the effective date of this act. Before its scheduled termination, the fund shall be reviewed as provided in s. 215.3206(1) and (2).

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor February 17, 2022.

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