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 SB 250 - Natural Disasters

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Sharing pertinent information.....

On Thursday, May 11, I attended the Manasota League of Cities committee meeting. During the meeting, a member brought to our attention SB 250. This bill which has been enrolled, as of this writing the Governor has not signed the bill; but we're confident he will be signing.

Link to SB #250 Text - https://www.flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2023/250/BillText/er/PDF Link to SB #250 Bill history - https://www.flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2023/250

After reviewing the bill, a few things in this bill caught my attention based on commission's previous conversations –

- 1. Temporary Housing (lines 123-146). We cannot prevent temporary shelter, on residential private property for 36 months after the date of declaration or certificate of occupancy is issued, whichever is 1^{st} . The bill outlines a list of requirements that must be followed.
- 2. Inspection fees (line 424 429). In light of our discussion on May 9 about our fee schedule, there may be many inspection fees we will not be able to charge based on this bill before October 1, 2024 and it expires on June 30, 2025.
- 3. Bridge loan (lines 280 376). Interest free loan is available. We have until September 28, 2023 to apply for the loan. Access to this loan supersedes our charter requirements.

Please let me know if you would like to discuss further.

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