

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2023-800

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council President at the request of the Mayor

Date of Introduction: November 14, 2023

Committee(s) of Reference: F, NCSPHS

Date of Analysis: November 16, 2023

Type of Action: Making of findings; approval and authorization of statewide mutual aid agreement; designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: The bill adopts recitals stated in background information as findings. It approves and authorizes the execution of the new Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement. It designates the Jacksonville Emergency Preparedness Division as the effective oversight department.

Background Information: The State Emergency Management Act authorizes the State of Florida and its political subdivisions to develop and enter into mutual aid agreements for reciprocal emergency aid and assistance in case of emergencies too extensive to be dealt with unassisted. The State of Florida Division of Emergency Management ("FDEM") requires municipalities to participate in the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement ("SMAA" to be eligible for funds under Chapter 27P-19, *Florida Administrative Code*. FDEM has transmitted an update to the SMAA for 2023 for adoption and execution by counties and various other local agencies and is requesting that all counties update their agreements to the 2023 version.

Policy Impact Area: Emergency preparedness

Fiscal Impact: This bill incurs no direct cost to the City.

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