

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to evictions during emergency  
 3           conditions; amending s. 83.62, F.S.; prohibiting a  
 4           sheriff from serving or executing a writ of possession  
 5           until a specified time on certain premises that are  
 6           under a hurricane watch or hurricane warning; tolling  
 7           the notice period for a writ of possession issued on  
 8           certain premises that are under a hurricane watch or  
 9           hurricane warning; providing an effective date.

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

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 13           Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 83.62, Florida  
 14   Statutes, is amended to read:

15           83.62 Restoration of possession to landlord.—

16           (1) In an action for possession, after entry of judgment  
 17   in favor of the landlord, the clerk shall issue a writ to the  
 18   sheriff describing the premises and commanding the sheriff to  
 19   put the landlord in possession after 24 hours' notice  
 20   conspicuously posted on the premises.

21           (a) The sheriff may not serve or execute a writ of  
 22   possession on a premises in a county that is under a hurricane  
 23   watch or hurricane warning issued by the National Weather  
 24   Service until 5 days after the termination of the hurricane  
 25   watch or hurricane warning.

26 |       (b) Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays do not stay the  
27 | 24-hour notice period. However, if the premises is located in a  
28 | county that is under a hurricane watch or hurricane warning  
29 | issued by the National Weather Service, the 24-hour notice  
30 | period is tolled until 5 days after the termination of the  
31 | hurricane watch or hurricane warning.

32 |       Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.