

RECENT STATE OF FLORIDA GOVERNMENT ACTIONS

State and Local Government Agency Power | Executive Order [20-52](#) | This order declared a state of emergency through May 8 to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic that covers all of Florida and empowers executive agencies and local government agencies power in accordance with chapter 252, Florida Statutes, and makes funds available for an appropriate response. It mobilizes the Florida Division of Emergency Management and National Guard, and allows the Governor special powers to suspend statutes and rules necessary to cope with the emergency. It also gives municipalities the power to waive certain procedures and formalities related to taking action including contracting, acquisition, and hiring.

It also has details that allow pharmacists to issue 30 day prescription refills, allows medical professionals with valid licenses in states outside to practice in Florida, and allows closure of state buildings affected by the emergency.