

RESOLUTION 95 - 142

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, URGING THE STATE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER TO DELAY IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROPOSED ISO INSURANCE RATING SYSTEM INDEFINITELY, OR UNTIL SUCH TIME AS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, THROUGH THEIR REPRESENTATIVE ASSOCIATIONS, BECOME PART OF THE PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT PROCESS.

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of Nassau County that the Insurance Commissioner is considering the implementation of a rating system for local Building Department; and

WHEREAS, it is understood that such a rating system is intended for use by the insurance industry to establish insurance rates on new homes and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the justification for adopting comparative benchmarks has not been disclosed; and

WHEREAS, ratings of Building Departments, once established, will not be subject to re-rating for five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, local governments have not been involved in developing the rating system; and

WHEREAS, if a cost analysis has been accomplished as to the budgetary and staffing impact on local Building Departments, it has not been shared with local governments; and

WHEREAS, existing structures will be unable to receive more favorable rates unless certified by an architect or engineer to meet certain criteria; and

WHEREAS, such certification may require destructive investigation to properly establish; and

WHEREAS, to the best of the Board's knowledge, the program was

developed without participation by contractor/building associations, the Florida League of Cities, or the Florida Association of Counties.

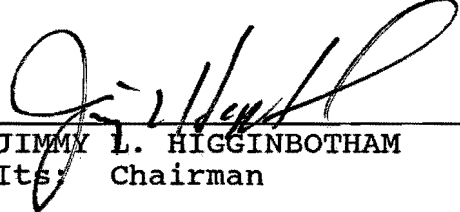
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this 25th day of September, 1995, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, as follows:

1. The Board urges the State Insurance Commissioner to place the proposed insurance rating system on "hold" indefinitely, or until such time as local governments, through their representative associations, become part of the program development process.

2. The Board is extremely concerned about the potential consequences of the ISO rating system and hereby urges the Governor and the Cabinet to consider input from local governments and segments of the building industry prior to its implementation.

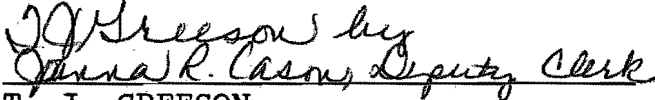
3. The Board hereby directs the Clerk to provide certified copies of this Resolution to the Governor and the Cabinet, Legislators, all County Commissioners in the State of Florida, the Florida Association of Counties, the Florida League of Cities, and the Florida Association of Home Builders.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA



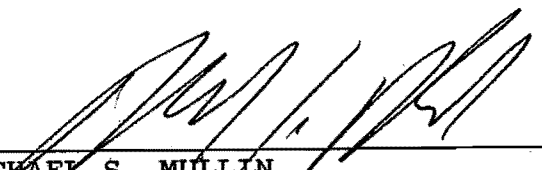
JIMMY L. HIGGINBOTHAM
Its: Chairman

ATTEST:



T. J. GREESON
Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the
Nassau County Attorney



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