



BUSINESS IMPACT ESTIMATE¹

Date: July 28, 2025

I. Proposed Ordinance Title/Reference:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE III (EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION), SECTIONS 15-81 THROUGH 15-95, HERNANDO COUNTY ORDINANCES, ESTABLISHING THE HERNANDO COUNTY AMBULANCE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY ORDINANCE; REPEALING CHAPTER 21 (HEALTH AND SANITATION) ARTICLE X (AMBULANCE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES); RESERVING SECTIONS 21-163—21-186 OF THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

II. The Proposed Ordinance does does not fall under one of the following enumerated exceptions:²

- The proposed ordinance relates to the issuance or refinancing of debt;
- The proposed ordinance is required for compliance with Federal or State law or regulation;
- The proposed ordinance relates to the adoption of budgets or budget amendments, including revenue sources necessary to fund the budget;
- The proposed ordinance is required to implement a contract or an agreement, including, but not limited to, any Federal, State, local, or private grant or other financial assistance accepted by the county government;
- The proposed ordinance is an emergency ordinance;
- The ordinance relates to procurement; or
- The proposed ordinance is enacted to implement the following:
 - a. Part II of Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, relating to growth policy, county and municipal planning, and land development regulation, including zoning, development orders, development agreements and development permits;
 - b. Sections 190.005 and 190.046, Florida Statutes, regarding community development districts;
 - c. Section 553.73, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Building Code; or
 - d. Section 633.202, Florida Statutes, relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

III. Summary of Proposed Ordinance and Statement of Public Purpose to be Served:

Currently, the ordinance pertaining to certificates of public convenience and necessity for EMS transportation providers is in Chapter 21 (titled Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions) of the Hernando County Code of Ordinances. This amended ordinance moves the provisions of the ordinance to Chapter 15, Article III (titled Emergency and Non-Emergency Medical Transportation) with minor changes.

¹ Business impact statement must be posted on the county's website no later than the date that the legal advertisement of the hearing to consider the proposed ordinance is published.

² Fla. Stat. § 125.66(3)(c) (2023).

IV. Estimate of Direct Economic Impact on Private/For Profit Businesses:

a. Estimate of Direct Business Compliance Costs:

N/A

b. New Charges/Fees on Businesses Impacted:

N/A

c. Estimate of Regulatory Costs:

N/A

V. Good Faith Estimate of Number of Businesses Likely Impacted:

N/A

VI. Any Additional Information:

VII. No Admission or Waiver: Please be advised that by promulgating this Business Impact Estimate, Hernando County admits neither that Fla. Stat. § 125.66(3) requires the preparation of a business impact estimate for the proposed ordinance, nor that the proposed ordinance, if enacted, can be challenged pursuant to Fla. Stat. § 125.675.