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Currently, the county commission in all counties which have not adopted county planning and zoning may adopt or rescind by order or ordinance regulations to require compliance with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) standards necessary to comply with the National Flood Insurance Program. This bill requires all counties which are located in whole or in part in a flood hazard area according to FEMA to adopt or rescind by order or ordinance regulations to require compliance with FEMA standards necessary to comply with the National Flood Insurance Program and removes the requirement that the county must submit the proposal to voters. The bill also specifies that any permit can not raise the flood elevation of the 100-year flood level more than one foot and requires that the lowest floor of an insurable structure shall be above the 100-year flood level and all structures must be adequately anchored to prevent movement of the structure, provided that any required National Flood Insurance Program permit issued for the purposes of commercial or industrial development may not raise the flood elevation of the 100-year flood level more than 1/10 of one foot.