

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

**CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER DIRECTIVE 2020-08**

**WHEREAS,** The Executive Office of the Governor issued Executive Order 20-52, granting agency heads certain authority to waive statutory and administrative provisions to the extent strict compliance with such provisions would prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the ongoing emergency.

**WHEREAS,** Florida communities continue to be affected by the COVID-19 virus, and the Center for Disease Control has issued certain guidance to employers related to the outbreak of Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), recommending the implementation of social distancing strategies.

**WHEREAS,** Florida Statutes generally prohibits insurance licensees from transacting insurance outside the offices of a licensed agent or agency.

**WHEREAS,** on March 16, 2020, I issued Chief Financial Officer Directive 2020-01 suspending enforcement of sections 626.7352 and 626.7354(4), Florida Statutes in order to afford flexibility to licensees whose offices are subject to closure due to COVID-19.

**WHEREAS**, Chief Financial Officer Directive 2020-01 is set to expire on May 8, 2020.

**WHEREAS**, Governor DeSantis issued Executive order 20-112, granting Phase 1 of the re-opening of Florida's economy with the intention of promoting business operation and economic recovery while maintaining focus on core safety principles.

**WHEREAS**, enabling insurance licensees to telework from home would promote core safety principles.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, JIMMY PATRONIS**, as Chief Financial Officer of Florida, by virtue of the authorities delegated to me by the Governor pursuant to his powers under Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, promulgate the following Directive to take immediate effect:

Section 1. In order to promote Executive Order 20-112's core safety principals and to afford flexibility to licensees, Chief Financial Officer Directive 2020-01 shall remain in effect during the effective period of Executive Order 20-52 and any extensions thereof.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State of Florida to be affixed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jimmy Patronis".

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**Signed, Jimmy Patronis,  
Chief Financial Officer  
State of Florida**