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Proposed Committee Substitute by the Committee on Health and Human Services Appropriations

A bill to be entitled

An act implementing 2010-2011 General Appropriations Act; amending s. 394.908, F.S.; delaying the expiration of a provision requiring that funds appropriated for forensic mental health treatment services be allocated to certain areas of the state; prohibiting a state agency from adopting or implementing a rule or policy that mandates new nitrogen-reduction limits that apply to existing or new onsite sewage treatment systems, has the effect of requiring the use of performance based treatment systems, or increases the cost of treatment for nitrogen reduction from onsite systems before a specified study is completed; providing for future expiration; providing for the effect of a veto of one or more specific appropriations or proviso provisions to which implementing language refers; providing for the continued operation of certain provisions, notwithstanding a future repeal or expiration provided by the act; providing for severability; providing for contingent retroactive application; providing an effective date.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. In order to implement Specific Appropriations 318 through 338 of the 2010-2011 General Appropriations Act,



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paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 394.908, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

394.908 Substance abuse and mental health funding equity; distribution of appropriations. - In recognition of the historical inequity in the funding of substance abuse and mental health services for the department's districts and regions and to rectify this inequity and provide for equitable funding in the future throughout the state, the following funding process shall be used:

(3)

- (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) and for the 2010-2011 2009-2010 fiscal year only, funds appropriated for forensic mental health treatment services shall be allocated to the areas of the state having the greatest demand for services and treatment capacity. This paragraph expires July 1, 2011 2010.
- Section 2. (1) In order to implement proviso following Specific Appropriation 486 of the 2010-2011 General Appropriations Act, and for the 2010-2011 fiscal year only, notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a state agency may not adopt or implement a rule or policy that:
- (a) Mandates or establishes new nitrogen-reduction limits that apply to existing or new onsite sewage treatment systems;
- (b) Has the effect of requiring the use of performance based treatment systems; or
- (c) Increases the cost of treatment for nitrogen reduction from onsite systems, before completion and reporting of phase II of the study required in proviso following Specific Appropriation 486 is completed.
 - (2) This section expires July 1, 2011.



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Section 3. Any section of this act which implements a specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso language in the 2010-2011 General Appropriations Act is void if the specific appropriation or specifically identified proviso language is vetoed. Any section of this act which implements more than one specific appropriation or more than one portion of specifically identified proviso language in the 2010-2011 General Appropriations Act is void if all the specific appropriations or portions of specifically identified proviso language are vetoed.

Section 4. If any other act passed during the 2010 Regular Session contains a provision that is substantively the same as a provision in this act, but that removes or is otherwise not subject to the future repeal applied to such provision by this act, the Legislature intends that the provision in the other act takes precedence and continues to operate, notwithstanding the future repeal provided by this act.

Section 5. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are severable.

Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010; or, if this act fails to become a law until after that date, it shall take effect upon becoming a law and shall operate retroactively to July 1, 2010.