By Senator Fasano

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to ice skating rinks; amending s. 381.006, F.S.; requiring the Department of Health to include in its environmental health program the testing of the air in enclosed ice skating rinks; authorizing the department to adopt rules relating to air quality standards, monitoring, testing, recordkeeping, the maintenance and operation of equipment that affects air quality, assessment of fees, enforcement, and penalties; authorizing the department to enter and inspect an enclosed ice skating rink at reasonable hours to determine compliance with applicable air quality statutes or rules; amending s. 381.0061, F.S.; authorizing the department to impose a fine, which may not exceed a specified amount, for a violation of air quality standards for enclosed ice skating rinks; 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. Subsection (19) is added to section 381.006, Florida Statutes, to read:

381.006 Environmental health.—The department shall conduct an environmental health program as part of fulfilling the state's public health mission. The purpose of this program is to detect and prevent disease caused by natural and manmade factors in the environment. The environmental health program shall include, but not be limited to:

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(19) A function related to air quality inside an enclosed ice skating rink to protect the health and safety of visitors and employees of the enclosed ice skating rink from dangers associated with oxides of nitrogen (NOX), hydrocarbons (CXHX), carbon monoxide (CO), carbon dioxide (CO2), and other harmful gasses, vapors, or particles as identified by the department which change the air quality due to the operation of the ice rink. The department may adopt rules that include definitions; air quality standards and requirements for monitoring, testing, and recordkeeping; maintenance and operation requirements for equipment that affects air quality; requirements for ventilation of the facility; the required response activities if an operator violates air quality standards; the assessment of fees, which may not exceed the actual costs of administration; and requirements for enforcement, citations, and administrative penalties. The department may enter and inspect an enclosed ice skating rink at reasonable hours to determine compliance with applicable statutes or rules.

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The department may adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section.

Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 381.0061, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

381.0061 Administrative fines.-

(1) In addition to any administrative action authorized by chapter 120 or by other law, the department may impose a fine, which shall not exceed \$500 for each violation, for a violation of s. 381.006(16), s. 381.006(19), s. 381.0065, s. 381.0066, s. 381.0072, or part III of chapter 489, for a violation of any

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rule adopted under this chapter, or for a violation of any of the provisions of chapter 386. Notice of intent to impose such fine shall be given by the department to the alleged violator. Each day that a violation continues may constitute a separate violation.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.