By the Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation; and Senator Evers

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the land application of septage; amending s. 381.0065, F.S.; removing the future prohibition against the land application of septage from onsite treatment and disposal systems; requiring land application to be subject to certain requirements; requiring the Department of Health to adopt rules; 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 (6) of section 381.0065, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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381.0065 Onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems; regulation.—

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(6) LAND APPLICATION OF SEPTAGE PROHIBITED.—Effective

January 1, 2016, The land application of septage from onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems is subject to the following requirements in addition to any permit requirements:

is prohibited.

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(a) Monthly inspections by the department;

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(b) Metered receiving at treatment facilities;

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(c) Testing with electronic pH meters rather than paper strips;

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(d) Stabilized septage sampling;

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(e) Annual tracking of nutrient loading based on septage sampling; and

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(f) Annual soil sampling of active application sites.

592-03276A-15 2015648c1 30 The department shall adopt rules to implement this subsection. Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015. 31

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