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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

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The Committee on Commerce and Tourism (Young) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete everything after the enacting clause  
and insert:

Section 1. Section 705.17, Florida Statutes, is amended to  
read:

705.17 Exceptions.—~~Sections~~ The provisions of ss. 705.101-  
705.106 do not apply ~~of this chapter shall not be applied~~ to any  
personal property lost or abandoned on the campus of any  
institution in the State University System; ~~or~~ on premises owned



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11 or controlled by the operator of a public-use airport having  
12 regularly scheduled international passenger service; or, if the  
13 owner or operator of the premises elects to comply with s.  
14 705.185, on any premises located within a theme park or  
15 entertainment complex, as the term is defined in s. 509.013(9),  
16 or operated as a zoo, a museum, or an aquarium or on any  
17 premises of a public food service establishment or public  
18 lodging establishment licensed under part I of chapter 509.

19 Section 2. Section 705.185, Florida Statutes, is created to  
20 read:

21 705.185 Disposal of personal property lost or abandoned on  
22 the premises of certain facilities.—Whenever any lost or  
23 abandoned personal property is found on any premises located  
24 within a theme park or entertainment complex, as the term is  
25 defined in s. 509.013(9), or operated as a zoo, a museum, or an  
26 aquarium; or on any premises of a public food service  
27 establishment or public lodging establishment licensed under  
28 part I of chapter 509, if the owner or operator of the premises  
29 elects to comply with this section, any lost or abandoned  
30 property must be delivered to the owner or operator of the  
31 premises, who shall take charge of the property and make a  
32 record of the date such property was found. If the property is  
33 not claimed by the owner within 30 days after it is found, or a  
34 longer period of time as may be deemed appropriate by the owner  
35 or operator of the premises, the owner or operator of the  
36 premises must dispose of the property or donate it to a  
37 charitable institution that is exempt from federal income tax



38 under s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code for sale or  
39 disposal as that charitable institution deems appropriate. The  
40 rightful owner of the property may reclaim the property at any  
41 time before the disposition, sale, or donation of the property  
42 in accordance with this section and the established policies and  
43 procedures of the owner or operator of the premises.

44 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.

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46 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

47 And the title is amended as follows:

48 Delete everything before the enacting clause  
49 and insert:

50 A bill to be entitled  
51 An act relating to lost or abandoned property;  
52 amending s. 705.17, F.S.; providing that certain  
53 provisions of ch. 705, F.S., do not apply to lost or  
54 abandoned personal property on the premises of  
55 specified facilities if certain conditions are met;  
56 creating s. 705.185, F.S.; providing for the disposal  
57 of lost or abandoned personal property found on the  
58 premises of specified facilities; specifying  
59 procedures for the disposal of such property;  
60 authorizing the rightful owner to claim lost or  
61 abandoned property at any time before its disposal;  
62 providing an effective date.