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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to municipal special
 3 assessments; amending s. 170.201, F.S.;
 4 providing an exemption from any special
 5 assessment levied by a municipality to fund
 6 emergency medical services for property owned
 7 or occupied by a governmentally financed,
 8 insured, or subsidized housing facility used
 9 primarily for persons who are elderly or
 10 disabled; providing an effective date.
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 12 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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 14 Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 170.201, Florida
 15 Statutes, is amended to read:
 16 170.201 Special assessments.--
 17 (2) Property owned or occupied by a religious
 18 institution and used as a place of worship or education;~~or~~ by
 19 a public or private elementary, middle, or high school; or by
 20 a governmentally financed, insured, or subsidized housing
 21 facility that is used primarily for persons who are elderly or
 22 disabled shall be exempt from any special assessment levied by
 23 a municipality to fund emergency medical services ~~if the~~
 24 ~~municipality so desires~~. As used in this subsection, the term
 25 "religious institution" means any church, synagogue, or other
 26 established physical place for worship at which nonprofit
 27 religious services and activities are regularly conducted and
 28 carried on and the term "governmentally financed, insured, or
 29 subsidized housing facility" means a facility that is financed
 30 by a mortgage loan made or insured by the United States
 31 Department of Housing and Urban Development under s. 8, s.

1 202, s. 221(d)(3) or (4), s. 232, or s. 236 of the National
2 Housing Act and is owned or operated by an entity that
3 qualifies as an exempt charitable organization under s.
4 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

5 Section 2. This act applies to assessments levied on
6 or after January 1, 1998.

7 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
8 law.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Exempts certain governmentally financed, insured, or
subsidized housing from municipal special assessments.