By Senator Gutman

34-1341-98 See HB

A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; requiring 3 4 the department to establish a residential-tree-replacement program for 5 residential trees removed due to infestation by 6 7 or exposure to citrus canker disease; requiring 8 the department to prepare a report on the 9 program; providing for submission of the report by January 1, 1999; providing an effective 10 date. 11

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

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The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Section 1. Services shall establish a residential-tree-replacement program for residential trees removed due to exposure to or infestation by citrus canker disease. The department shall prepare a report that sets forth the objectives of the program and the methods by which the program shall be implemented. The report shall be submitted to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Agriculture Committee of the Senate, and the Agriculture Committee of the House of Representatives by January 1, 1999.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1 of the year in which enacted.

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY Requires the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to establish a residential-tree-replacement program for residential trees removed due to infestation by or exposure to citrus canker disease. Provides that the department shall prepare a report that sets forth the objectives of the program and the methods of implementation to be utilized. Requires submission of the report by January 1, 1999.