

By Representative Lacasa

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Department of
3 Agriculture and Consumer Services; requiring
4 the department to establish a residential tree
5 replacement program for residential trees
6 removed due to infestation by or exposure to
7 citrus canker disease; requiring the department
8 to prepare a report on the program; providing
9 for submission of the report by January 1,
10 1999; 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. The Department of Agriculture and Consumer
15 Services shall establish a residential tree replacement
16 program for residential trees removed due to exposure to or
17 infestation by citrus canker disease. The department shall
18 prepare a report which sets forth the objectives of the
19 program and the methods by which the program shall be
20 implemented. The report shall be submitted to the Governor,
21 the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of
22 Representatives, the Agriculture Committee of the Senate, and
23 the Agriculture Committee of the House of Representatives by
24 January 1, 1999.

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

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HOUSE 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 which sets forth the objectives of the program and the methods of implementation to be utilized. Requires submission of the report by January 1, 1999.