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<u>Senate</u>	CHAMBER ACTION	<u>House</u>
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11 Senator Laurent moved the following amendment:

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13 **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

14 On page 12, between lines 29 and 30,

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16 insert:

17 Section 10. Subsection (3) of section 581.145, Florida
18 Statutes, is amended to read:

19 581.145 Aquatic plant nursery registration; special
20 permit requirements.--

21 (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of state or
22 federal law, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
23 Services shall issue, by request, a permit to the aquaculture
24 producer to engage in the business of exporting water
25 hyacinths (Eichhornia spp.) only to countries other than the
26 United States ~~Canada~~ and only when such water hyacinths are
27 cultivated in a nursery for the sole purpose of exportation
28 and the aquaculture activity has been certified by the
29 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. In
30 accordance with any appropriate federal law or United States
31 treaty, no Florida aquaculture producer shall ship water

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1 | hyacinths to countries other than the United States ~~Canada~~
2 | under such a permit for the purpose of importing water
3 | hyacinths back into the United States, nor shall drop
4 | shipments be made to any other destination within the United
5 | States. This provision shall in no way restrict or interfere
6 | with the Department of Environmental Protection's efforts, or
7 | those of any other agency or local government with
8 | responsibilities for the management of noxious aquatic plants,
9 | to control or eradicate noxious nonnursery aquatic plants,
10 | including water hyacinths. This provision shall not be a
11 | consideration in the approval or the release of biological
12 | control agents for water hyacinths or any other noxious
13 | aquatic plants.

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15 | (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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19 | And the title is amended as follows:

20 | On page 1, line 26, following the first semicolon

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22 | insert:

23 | amending s. 581.145, F.S.; allowing water

24 | hyacinths to be sold outside the United States;

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