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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to state buildings; requiring
state agencies to favor renovation of existing
buildings over new construction; providing an
effective date.

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the State of
Florida to protect the natural-resource base of the state, and
WHEREAS, unnecessary construction harms the
natural-resource base for little or no appreciable gain to the
weal of the citizenry, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

Section 1. A state agency may not promote unnecessary
construction by awarding bonus points for new construction
when the redevelopment or renovation of existing structures or
facilities would serve the purpose or attain the goals of the
program in question. Further, when practicable, bonus points
must be awarded for redevelopment or reuse of existing
structures or facilities.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
law.

SENATE SUMMARY

Requires state agencies to favor renovation of existing
buildings over new construction.