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11	Senator Hargrett moved the following amendment:		
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13	<b>Senate Amendment (with title amendment)</b>		
14	On page 159, between lines 5 and 6,		
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16	insert:		
17	Section 75. Subsection (9) of section 14.2015, Florida		
18	Statutes, is amended to read:		
19	14.2015 Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic		
20	Development; creation; powers and duties.--		
21	(9)(a) The Office of Urban Opportunity is created		
22	within the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development.		
23	The director of the Office of Urban Opportunity shall be		
24	appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor.		
25	(b) The purpose of the Office of Urban Opportunity		
26	shall be to administer the Front Porch Florida initiative, a		
27	comprehensive, community-based urban core redevelopment		
28	program that will empower urban core residents to craft		
29	solutions to the unique challenges of each designated		
30	community.		
31	(c) <u>The selection criteria for designating Front Porch</u>		

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1 Communities must give priority consideration to communities  
2 where there is an active grant award from the U.S. Department  
3 of Housing and Urban Development under the HOPE VI program and  
4 there is:

5 1. Documented support by the unit of local government  
6 to redevelop the neighborhoods surrounding the HOPE VI  
7 project.

8 2. A joint agreement between the local government and  
9 the public housing authority receiving the HOPE VI grant  
10 regarding the redevelopment of neighborhoods surrounding the  
11 HOPE VI project.

12 3. A plan to promote the redevelopment of the HOPE VI  
13 neighborhoods; to disperse the location of publicly assisted  
14 housing within the neighborhood and to promote mixed-income  
15 neighborhoods; to promote home ownership; and to involve the  
16 residents of the neighborhood in redevelopment.

17 Section 76. Section 163.2523, Florida Statutes, is  
18 amended to read:

19 163.2523 Grant program.--An Urban Infill and  
20 Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program is created for local  
21 governments. A local government may allocate grant money to  
22 special districts, including community redevelopment agencies,  
23 and nonprofit community development organizations to implement  
24 projects consistent with an adopted urban infill and  
25 redevelopment plan or plan employed in lieu thereof. Thirty  
26 percent of the general revenue appropriated for this program  
27 shall be available for planning grants to be used by local  
28 governments for the development of an urban infill and  
29 redevelopment plan, including community participation  
30 processes for the plan. Sixty percent of the general revenue  
31 appropriated for this program shall be available for

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1 fifty/fifty matching grants for implementing urban infill and  
2 redevelopment projects that further the objectives set forth  
3 in the local government's adopted urban infill and  
4 redevelopment plan or plan employed in lieu thereof. The  
5 remaining 10 percent of the revenue must be used for outright  
6 grants for implementing projects requiring an expenditure of  
7 under \$50,000. Projects that provide employment opportunities  
8 to clients of the WAGES program, and projects within urban  
9 infill and redevelopment areas that include a community  
10 redevelopment area, Florida Main Street program, Front Porch  
11 Florida Community, sustainable community, enterprise zone,  
12 federal enterprise zone, enterprise community, or neighborhood  
13 improvement district, and projects that include the recipient  
14 of a HOPE VI grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and  
15 Urban Development must be given an elevated priority in the  
16 scoring of competing grant applications. The Division of  
17 Housing and Community Development of the Department of  
18 Community Affairs shall administer the grant program. The  
19 Department of Community Affairs shall adopt rules establishing  
20 grant review criteria consistent with this section.

21 Section 77. Paragraph (c) of subsection (6) of section  
22 420.5087, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

23 420.5087 State Apartment Incentive Loan  
24 Program.--There is hereby created the State Apartment  
25 Incentive Loan Program for the purpose of providing first,  
26 second, or other subordinated mortgage loans or loan  
27 guarantees to sponsors, including for-profit, nonprofit, and  
28 public entities, to provide housing affordable to  
29 very-low-income persons.

30 (6) On all state apartment incentive loans, except  
31 loans made to housing communities for the elderly to provide

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1 for lifesafety, building preservation, health, sanitation, or  
2 security-related repairs or improvements, the following  
3 provisions shall apply:

4 (c) The corporation shall provide by rule for the  
5 establishment of a review committee composed of the department  
6 and corporation staff and shall establish by rule a scoring  
7 system for evaluation and competitive ranking of applications  
8 submitted in this program, including, but not limited to, the  
9 following criteria:

10 1. Tenant income and demographic targeting objectives  
11 of the corporation.

12 2. Targeting objectives of the corporation which will  
13 ensure an equitable distribution of loans between rural and  
14 urban areas.

15 3. Sponsor's agreement to reserve the units for  
16 persons or families who have incomes below 50 percent of the  
17 state or local median income, whichever is higher, for a time  
18 period to exceed the minimum required by federal law or the  
19 provisions of this part.

20 4. Sponsor's agreement to reserve more than:

21 a. Twenty percent of the units in the project for  
22 persons or families who have incomes that do not exceed 50  
23 percent of the state or local median income, whichever is  
24 higher; or

25 b. Forty percent of the units in the project for  
26 persons or families who have incomes that do not exceed 60  
27 percent of the state or local median income, whichever is  
28 higher, without requiring a greater amount of the loans as  
29 provided in this section.

30 5. Provision for tenant counseling.

31 6. Sponsor's agreement to accept rental assistance

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1 certificates or vouchers as payment for rent; however, when  
2 certificates or vouchers are accepted as payment for rent on  
3 units set aside pursuant to subsection (2), the benefit must  
4 be divided between the corporation and the sponsor, as  
5 provided by corporation rule.

6 7. Projects requiring the least amount of a state  
7 apartment incentive loan compared to overall project cost.

8 8. Local government contributions and local government  
9 comprehensive planning and activities that promote affordable  
10 housing.

11 9. Project feasibility.

12 10. Economic viability of the project.

13 11. Commitment of first mortgage financing.

14 12. Sponsor's prior experience.

15 13. Sponsor's ability to proceed with construction.

16 14. Projects that directly implement or assist  
17 welfare-to-work transitioning.

18 15. Projects receiving HOPE VI grants from the U.S.  
19 Department of Housing and Urban Development.

20 Section 78. Subsection (6) of section 420.5089,  
21 Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

22 420.5089 HOME Investment Partnership Program; HOME  
23 fund.--

24 (6) Applications for loans under any competitive  
25 scoring process established by program rule must be approved  
26 by a review committee established by corporation rule which  
27 shall analyze factors, including, but not limited to, the  
28 following:

29 (a) Demographic targeting objectives of the  
30 corporation.

31 (b) Corporation portfolio diversification.

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- 1 (c) Developer's agreement to make units for the
- 2 targeted group available for more than the minimum period
- 3 required by rule.
- 4 (d) Leveraging of HOME funds.
- 5 (e) Local matching funds.
- 6 (f) The project's feasibility and long-term economic
- 7 viability.
- 8 (g) Demonstrated capacity of the proposed project's
- 9 development team.
- 10 (h) Conformance with the consolidated plan for the
- 11 state and area in which the proposed project will be located.

12 (i) Projects receiving HOPE VI grants from the U.S.  
 13 Department of Housing and Urban Development.

14 (j)~~(i)~~ Other factors determined and approved by the  
 15 corporation's board of directors.

16 Section 79. Subsection (3) of section 420.5093,  
 17 Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

18 420.5093 State Housing Tax Credit Program.--

19 (3) The corporation shall adopt allocation procedures  
 20 that will ensure the maximum use of available tax credits in  
 21 order to encourage development of low-income housing and  
 22 associated mixed-use projects in urban areas, taking into  
 23 consideration the timeliness of the application, the location  
 24 of the proposed project, the relative need in the area of  
 25 revitalization and low-income housing and the availability of  
 26 such housing, the economic feasibility of the project, and the  
 27 ability of the applicant to proceed to completion of the  
 28 project in the calendar year for which the credit is sought.  
 29 The allocation procedure must give priority to projects  
 30 receiving HOPE VI grants from the U.S. Department of Housing  
 31 and Urban Development.

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1           Section 80. Subsection (2) of section 420.5099,  
2 Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

3           420.5099 Allocation of the low-income housing tax  
4 credit.--

5           (2) The corporation shall adopt allocation procedures  
6 that will ensure the maximum use of available tax credits in  
7 order to encourage development of low-income housing in the  
8 state, taking into consideration the timeliness of the  
9 application, the location of the proposed housing project, the  
10 relative need in the area for low-income housing and the  
11 availability of such housing, the economic feasibility of the  
12 project, and the ability of the applicant to proceed to  
13 completion of the project in the calendar year for which the  
14 credit is sought. The allocation procedure must give priority  
15 to projects receiving HOPE VI grants from the U.S. Department  
16 of Housing and Urban Development.

17           Section 81. Community and Faith-based Organizations  
18 Initiative; Community and Library Technology Access  
19 Partnership.--

20           (1) CREATION.--There is created the Community and  
21 Faith-based Organizations Initiative which shall be  
22 administered by the Institute on Urban Policy and Commerce at  
23 Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University and the  
24 Community and Library Technology Access Partnership which  
25 shall be administered by the Division of Library and  
26 Information Services of the Department of State.

27           (2) INTENT.--The purpose of the initiative is to  
28 promote community development in low-income communities  
29 through partnerships with not-for-profit community and  
30 faith-based organizations. The purpose of the partnership is  
31 to encourage public libraries eligible for e-rate discounted

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1 telecommunications services to partner with community and  
2 faith-based organizations to provide technology access and  
3 training to assist other state efforts to close the digital  
4 divide.

5 (3) AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES.--

6 (a) Authorized activities of the initiative.--The  
7 Institute on Urban Policy and Commerce at Florida Agricultural  
8 and Mechanical University may conduct the following activities  
9 as part of the Community and Faith-based Organizations  
10 Initiative:

11 1. Create and operate training programs to enhance the  
12 professional skills of individuals in community and  
13 faith-based organizations.

14 2. Create and operate a program to select and place  
15 students and recent graduates from business and related  
16 professional schools as interns with community and faith-based  
17 organizations for a period not to exceed 1 year, and provide  
18 stipends for such interns.

19 3. Organize an annual conference for community and  
20 faith-based organizations to discuss and share information on  
21 best practices regarding issues relevant to the creation,  
22 operation, and sustainability of these organizations.

23 4. Provide funding for the development of materials  
24 for courses on topics in the area of community development,  
25 and for research on economic, operational, and policy issues  
26 relating to community development.

27 5. Provide financial assistance to community and  
28 faith-based organizations through small grants for  
29 partnerships with universities and the operation of programs  
30 to build strong communities and future community development  
31 leaders. The Institute on Urban Policy and Commerce at Florida



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1 Agricultural and Mechanical University shall develop selection  
2 criteria for awarding such grants which are based on the goals  
3 of the initiative.

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5 The institute, to the maximum extent possible, shall leverage  
6 state funding for the initiative with any federal funding that  
7 the institute may receive to support similar community-based  
8 activities.

9 (b) Authorized activities of the partnership.--The  
10 Division of Library and Information Services of the Department  
11 of State may conduct the following activities as part of the  
12 Community and Library Technology Access Partnership:

13 1. Provide funding for e-rate eligible public  
14 libraries to provide technology access and training to  
15 community and faith-based organizations. Funding provided  
16 under this subparagraph must be for eligible public libraries  
17 in distressed communities in the state. The division shall  
18 consult with the Institute on Urban Policy and Commerce to  
19 identify such communities and to develop criteria to be used  
20 in evaluating funding proposals. The division shall coordinate  
21 with the institute to ensure that, to the maximum extent  
22 possible, the division and the institute leverage their  
23 resources under the programs authorized by this section in  
24 order to focus efforts on addressing the most distressed  
25 communities in the state. The division shall include a  
26 representative of the institute on a review team to evaluate  
27 funding proposals under this subparagraph.

28 2. Provide a method of assessment and outcome  
29 measurement for e-rate eligible public libraries to assess  
30 progress in closing the digital divide and in training for  
31 individuals to succeed in the emerging information economy.

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1           (4) ELIGIBILITY.--A community or faith-based  
2 organization receiving funding or other assistance under the  
3 Community and Faith-based Organizations Initiative or the  
4 Community Library Technology Access Partnership must be a  
5 nonprofit organization holding a current exemption from  
6 federal taxation under s. 501(c)(3) or (4) of the Internal  
7 Revenue Code. Funding under this section shall not be used for  
8 religious or sectarian purposes.

9           (5) REVIEW AND EVALUATION.--

10           (a) By January 1, 2001, the Institute on Urban Policy  
11 and Commerce and the Division of Library and Information  
12 Services shall submit to the Governor, the President of the  
13 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives brief  
14 status reports on their respective implementation of the  
15 activities authorized under this section. The institute and  
16 the division may elect to collaborate on the submission of a  
17 combined status report covering both programs. At a minimum,  
18 the status reports or combined report shall address:

19           1. The activities and accomplishments to date;

20           2. Any impediments to the effective implementation or  
21 utilization of each program; and

22           3. The initial progress toward achievement of  
23 measurable program outcomes.

24           (b) By January 1, 2002, the Institute on Urban Policy  
25 and Commerce and the Division of Library and Information  
26 Services shall submit to the Governor, the President of the  
27 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives final  
28 reports on the activities authorized under this section. The  
29 institute and the division may elect to collaborate on the  
30 submission of a combined final report covering both programs.  
31 In addition to updating the elements addressed under paragraph

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1 (a), the reports or combined report shall include  
2 recommendations on whether it would be sound public policy to  
3 continue the programs and recommendations on any changes  
4 designed to enhance the effectiveness of the programs.

5 Section 82. Community computer access grant program.--  
6 (1) The Legislature finds that there is a growing  
7 digital divide in the state, manifested in the fact that many  
8 youths from distressed urban communities do not possess the  
9 degree and ease of access to computers and information  
10 technologies which youths in other communities in the state  
11 possess. This disparity in access to rapidly changing and  
12 commercially significant technologies has a negative impact on  
13 the educational, workforce development, and employment  
14 competitiveness of these needy youths, and thereby impedes the  
15 economic development of the distressed urban communities in  
16 which these youths reside. Although many public libraries  
17 offer users access to computers and are increasingly making  
18 library materials available to the public through electronic  
19 means, many youths from distressed urban communities do not  
20 live near a library that has such technology and do not have  
21 computers to access Internet-based virtual libraries.  
22 Neighborhood organizations, such as churches, are more likely,  
23 however, to be located in closer proximity to the homes of  
24 these youths than are educational institutions or libraries,  
25 and these youths are more likely to gain the desirable  
26 computer access at church-related or other neighborhood  
27 facilities than at other institutions. The Legislature  
28 therefore finds that a public purpose is served in enhancing  
29 the ability of youths from these communities to have access to  
30 computers and the Internet within the neighborhoods in which  
31 they reside.

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1           (2) Subject to legislative appropriation, the Division  
2 of Library and Information Services of the Department of  
3 State, in consultation with the State Technology Office and  
4 the state's Chief Information Officer, shall establish a  
5 Community High-Technology Investment Partnership (CHIP)  
6 program to assist distressed urban communities in securing  
7 computers for access by youths between the ages of 5 years and  
8 18 years who reside in these communities.

9           (3)(a) Under this program, neighborhood facilities,  
10 through their governing bodies, may apply to the division for  
11 grants to purchase computers that will be available for use by  
12 eligible youths who reside in the immediate vicinity of the  
13 neighborhood facility. For purposes of this program, eligible  
14 neighborhood facilities include, but are not limited to,  
15 facilities operated by:

16           1. Units of local government, including school  
17 districts;

18           2. Nonprofit, faith-based organizations, including  
19 neighborhood churches;

20           3. Nonprofit civic associations or homeowners'  
21 associations; and

22           4. Nonprofit organizations, the missions of which  
23 include improving conditions for residents of distressed urban  
24 communities.

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26 To be eligible for funding under this program, a nonprofit  
27 organization or association must hold a current exemption from  
28 federal taxation under s. 501(c)(3) or (4) of the Internal  
29 Revenue Code.

30           (b) Notwithstanding the eligibility of the  
31 organizations identified in paragraph (a), the division shall

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1 give priority consideration for funding under this program to  
2 applications submitted by neighborhood churches or by  
3 neighborhood-based, nonprofit organizations that have as a  
4 principal part of their missions the improvement of conditions  
5 for residents of the same neighborhoods in which the  
6 organizations are located. The division also shall give  
7 priority consideration to organizations that demonstrate that  
8 they have not been awarded community enhancement or similar  
9 community support grants from state or local government on a  
10 regular basis in the past. The division shall develop weighted  
11 criteria to be used in evaluating applications from such  
12 churches or organizations. Funding under this section shall  
13 not be used for religious or sectarian purposes.

14 (4) The division shall develop guidelines governing  
15 the administration of this program and shall establish  
16 criteria to be used in evaluating an application for funding.  
17 At a minimum, the division must find that:

18 (a) The neighborhood that is to be served by the grant  
19 suffers from general economic distress;

20 (b) Eligible youths who reside in the vicinity of the  
21 neighborhood facility have difficulty obtaining access to a  
22 library or schools that have sufficient computers; and

23 (c) The neighborhood facility has developed a detailed  
24 plan, as required under subsection (5), for:

25 1. Providing youths who reside in the vicinity of the  
26 facility with access to any computer purchased with grant  
27 funds, including evening and weekend access when libraries and  
28 schools are closed; and

29 2. Promoting the maximum participation of neighborhood  
30 youths in use of any computers purchased with grant funds.

31 (5) As part of an application for funding, the

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1 neighborhood facility must submit a plan that demonstrates:

2 (a) The manner in which eligible youths who reside in  
3 the immediate vicinity of the facility will be provided with  
4 access to any computer purchased with grant funds, including  
5 access during hours when libraries and schools are closed;

6 (b) The existence of safeguards to ensure that any  
7 computer purchased with grant funds is reserved for the  
8 educational use of eligible youths who reside in the immediate  
9 vicinity of the facility and is not used to support the  
10 business operations of the neighborhood facility or its  
11 governing body; and

12 (c) The existence, in the neighborhood facility, of  
13 telecommunications infrastructure necessary to guarantee  
14 access to the Internet through any computer purchased with  
15 grant funds.

16 (6) To the maximum extent possible, funding shall be  
17 awarded under this program in a manner designed to ensure the  
18 participation of distressed urban communities from regions  
19 throughout the state.

20 (7) The maximum amount of a grant which may be awarded  
21 to any single neighborhood facility under this program is  
22 \$25,000.

23 (8) Before the division may allocate funds for a grant  
24 under this program, the division and the eligible neighborhood  
25 facility must execute a grant agreement that governs the terms  
26 and conditions of the grant.

27 (9) The division, based upon guidance from the State  
28 Technology Office and the state's Chief Information Officer,  
29 shall establish minimum requirements governing the  
30 specifications and capabilities of any computers purchased  
31 with funds awarded under this grant program.

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1           (10) Before the 2002 Regular Session of the  
2 Legislature, the division shall evaluate the outcomes of this  
3 program and report the results of the evaluation to the  
4 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the  
5 House of Representatives. At a minimum, the evaluation must  
6 assess the extent to which the program has improved access to  
7 computers for youths who reside in distressed urban  
8 communities. As part of this report, the division shall  
9 identify any impediments to the effective implementation and  
10 utilization of the program and shall make recommendations on  
11 methods to eliminate any such impediments. In addition, the  
12 division shall make recommendations as to whether it would be  
13 sound public policy to continue the program; whether the  
14 program should be expanded to address additional target  
15 populations, including, but not limited to, youths in  
16 distressed rural communities and adults in distressed urban or  
17 rural communities; and whether the list of neighborhood  
18 facilities eligible to participate in the program should be  
19 revised or whether priority consideration for funding should  
20 be revised to emphasize a particular type of neighborhood  
21 facility. The report required under this subsection must be  
22 submitted by January 1, 2002.

23           (11)(a) At the discretion of the division, and  
24 notwithstanding any provisions in this section to the  
25 contrary, the Institute on Urban Policy and Commerce at  
26 Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University may administer  
27 the CHIP program pursuant to a performance-based contract with  
28 the division. The division shall develop performance measures,  
29 standards, and sanctions for the program. Performance measures  
30 must include, but are not limited to: the number of youth  
31 obtaining access to computers purchased under this program;

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1 the number of hours computers are made available to youth; and  
2 the number of hours spent by youth on computers purchased  
3 under this program for educational purposes. The  
4 administrative costs for administration of this program cannot  
5 exceed 10 percent of the amount appropriated to the division  
6 for the program. If the division elects to contract with the  
7 institute, the duties and responsibilities assigned by this  
8 section to the division shall be performed by the institute  
9 pursuant to the performance-based contract.

10 (b) The institute may subcontract with the Information  
11 Service Technology Development Task Force for assistance in  
12 carrying out the provisions of this section, including, but  
13 not limited to, technical guidance, assistance in developing  
14 and evaluating program outcomes, and preparation or  
15 distribution of materials designed to educate the public about  
16 community access centers and other relevant resources.

17 Section 83. There is created an Inner City  
18 Redevelopment Assistance Grants Program to be administered by  
19 the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development. The  
20 office shall develop criteria for awarding these grants which  
21 give weighted consideration to urban high-crime areas as  
22 identified by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. These  
23 criteria shall also be weighted to immediate creation of jobs  
24 for residents in the targeted areas.

25 Section 84. Eligibility requirements for grant  
26 proposals are as follows:

27 (1) An eligible grant recipient must serve within one  
28 of the 13 urban high-crime job tax credit areas and be:

29 (a) A community-based organization;

30 (b) A community development corporation;

31 (c) A faith-based organization;



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1           (d) A nonprofit community development organization;  
2           (e) A nonprofit economic development organization; or  
3           (f) Another nonprofit organization serving the  
4 nominated area.

5           (2) Each applicant must submit a letter of support  
6 from the local government serving the targeted urban area.

7           (3) Each applicant must submit a proposal response  
8 outlining the work plan proposed using the grant funding, as  
9 well as proposed performance measures and expected, measurable  
10 outcomes.

11           (4) Eligible uses of grant funding must result in the  
12 creation of job opportunities for residents of targeted areas.

13           (5) Applicants are urged to leverage grant funds with  
14 other existing resources.

15           Section 85. In order to enhance public participation  
16 and involvement in the redevelopment of inner city areas,  
17 there is created within the Office of Tourism, Trade, and  
18 Economic Development the Inner City Redevelopment Review  
19 Panel.

20           (1) The review panel shall consist of seven members  
21 who represent different areas of the state, who are appointed  
22 by the Director of the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
23 Development, and who are qualified, through the demonstration  
24 of special interest, experience, or education, in the  
25 redevelopment of the state's inner-city areas, as follows:

26           (a) One member must be affiliated with the Black  
27 Business Investment Board;

28           (b) One member must be affiliated with the Institute  
29 on Urban Policy and Commerce at Florida Agricultural and  
30 Mechanical University;

31           (c) One member must be affiliated with the Office of

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1 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development;

2 (d) One member must be the president of Enterprise  
3 Florida, Inc., or the president's designee;

4 (e) One member must be the Secretary of Community  
5 Affairs or the secretary's designee;

6 (f) One member must be affiliated with Better  
7 Jobs/Better Wages of Workforce Florida, Inc., if such body is  
8 created. Otherwise, one member must be the president and chief  
9 operating officer of the Florida Workforce Development Board;

10 and

11 (g) One member must be affiliated with the First  
12 Job/First Wages Council of Workforce Florida, Inc., if such  
13 body is created. Otherwise, one member must be the Secretary  
14 of Labor and Employment Security or the secretary's designee.

15 (2) The importance of minority and gender  
16 representation must be considered when making appointments to  
17 the panel, and the geographic representation of panel members  
18 must also be considered.

19 (3) Members of the review panel shall be appointed for  
20 4-year terms. A person may not serve more than two consecutive  
21 terms on the panel.

22 (4) Members shall elect a chairperson annually. A  
23 member may not be elected to consecutive terms as chairperson.

24 (5) All action taken by the review panel shall be by  
25 majority vote of those present. The Director of the Office of  
26 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development or the director's  
27 designee shall serve without voting rights as secretary to the  
28 panel. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development  
29 shall provide necessary staff assistance to the panel.

30 (6) It is the responsibility of the panel to evaluate  
31 proposals for awards of inner city redevelopment grants

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1 administered by the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
2 Development. The panel shall review and evaluate all proposals  
3 for grants and shall make recommendations, including a  
4 priority ranking, reflecting such evaluation.

5 Section 86. Each provision of section 75-85 of this  
6 act will be implemented to the extent that funds are  
7 specifically appropriated in the General Appropriations Act  
8 for Fiscal Year 2000-2001.

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10 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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13 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

14 And the title is amended as follows:

15 On page 1, line 2, delete that line

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17 and insert:

18 An act relating to community development;  
19 creating the Community and Faith-based  
20 Organizations initiative within the Institute  
21 on Urban Policy and Commerce at Florida  
22 Agricultural and Mechanical University;  
23 providing for the initiative to promote  
24 community development through partnerships with  
25 community and faith-based organizations;  
26 specifying the activities to be conducted by  
27 the initiative; providing for financial  
28 assistance to community and faith-based  
29 organizations; requiring the development of  
30 grant-selection criteria; requiring leveraging  
31 of funds; creating the Community and Library

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1 Technology Access Partnership; specifying the  
2 activities to be conducted by the partnership;  
3 requiring the Institute on Urban Policy and  
4 Commerce at Florida Agricultural and Mechanical  
5 University to administer the initiative and the  
6 Division of Library and Information Services of  
7 the Department of State to administer the  
8 Community and Library Technology Access  
9 Partnership; authorizing certain activities and  
10 uses of funds; prescribing eligibility of  
11 organizations for funding or assistance;  
12 requiring review and evaluation; providing  
13 appropriations; creating a community  
14 computer-access grant program, to be known as  
15 the Community High-Technology Investment  
16 Partnership, or "CHIP," program; providing  
17 legislative intent; providing purposes of the  
18 program; providing for grants to be awarded to  
19 eligible neighborhood facilities; providing for  
20 the Division of Libraries and Information  
21 Services of the Department of State to  
22 administer the grant program; providing  
23 requirements for grant applications;  
24 prescribing the maximum amount of a grant;  
25 requiring a grant agreement between the  
26 division and the recipient facility; providing  
27 for establishing minimum specifications of  
28 computers purchased under the program;  
29 providing for an evaluation and a report;  
30 authorizing the division to contract with the  
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1           program administration; authorizing the  
2           institute to subcontract for specified  
3           assistance services; creating an inner city  
4           redevelopment assistance grants program;  
5           providing duties of the Office of Tourism,  
6           Trade, and Economic Development; prescribing  
7           eligibility requirements for grants; providing  
8           expected outcomes from grants; creating the  
9           Inner City Redevelopment Review Panel and  
10          providing its membership and duties; providing  
11          legislative findings; amending s. 14.2015,  
12          F.S.; directing the Office of Urban Opportunity  
13          to give priority to projects receiving certain  
14          federal grants; amending s. 163.2523, F.S.;  
15          providing allocation criteria for the Urban  
16          Infill and Redevelopment Grant Program;  
17          amending s. 420.5087, F.S.; providing  
18          allocation criteria for the State Apartment  
19          Incentive Loan Program; amending s. 420.5089,  
20          F.S.; providing allocation criteria for the  
21          HOME Investment Partnership Program; amending  
22          s. 420.5093, F.S.; giving priority to certain  
23          projects in the State Housing Tax Credit  
24          Program; amending s. 420.5099, F.S.; giving  
25          priority to certain projects in the allocation  
26          of low-income housing tax credits;

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