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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to the regulation of public
utilities; amending s. 367.011, F.S.; providing
that the regulation of public utilities must
ensure that monopoly services are subject to
effective price, rate, and service regulation;
providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 367.011, Florida Statutes, is
amended to read:

367.011 Jurisdiction; legislative intent.--

(1) This chapter may be cited as the "Water and
Wastewater System Regulatory Law."

(2) The Florida Public Service Commission shall have
exclusive jurisdiction over each utility with respect to its
authority, service, and rates.

(3) The regulation of utilities is declared to be in
the public interest, and this law is an exercise of the police
power of the state for the protection of the public health,
safety, and welfare. Such regulation must ensure that
monopoly services are subject to effective price, rate, and
service regulation.The provisions of this chapter shall be
liberally construed for the accomplishment of this purpose.

(4) This chapter shall supersede all other laws on the
same subject, and subsequent inconsistent laws shall supersede
this chapter only to the extent that they do so by express
reference. This chapter shall not impair or take away vested
rights other than procedural rights or benefits.

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

SENATE SUMMARY

Requires the effective price, rate, and service regulation of monopoly services provided by public utilities.