## CHAMBER ACTION Senate House 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 Representative Kottkamp offered the following: 12 13 Amendment (with title amendment) Remove line(s) 612, and insert: 14 15 Section 20. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3), paragraph (b) 16 of subsection (4), paragraph (a) of subsection (5), and 17 subsections (11) and (13) of section 70.001, Florida Statutes, 18 are amended to read: 19 70.001 Private property rights protection.--20 (3) For purposes of this section: The term "action of a governmental entity" means a 21 specific action of a governmental entity which affects real 22 23 property, including action on an application or permit. The term

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does not include action to enforce compliance with uniform laws

enacted or regulations adopted to protect public safety, such as

building codes and fire codes. In addition, the term does not

Amendment No. (for drafter's use only) include action involving the construction, expansion, or

maintenance of capital facilities.

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- The governmental entity shall provide written notice (b) of the claim to all parties to any administrative action that gave rise to the claim, and to owners of real property contiguous to the owner's property at the addresses listed on the most recent county tax rolls. Within 15 days after the claim is being presented, the governmental entity shall report the claim in writing to the state land planning agency Department of Legal Affairs, and shall provide the agency department with the name, address, and telephone number of the employee of the governmental entity from whom additional information may be obtained about the claim during the pendency of the claim and any subsequent judicial action.
- (5)(a) During the 180-day-notice period, unless a settlement offer is accepted by the property owner, each of the governmental entities provided notice pursuant to paragraph (4)(a) shall issue a written ripeness decision identifying the allowable uses to which the subject property may be put. The failure of the governmental entity to issue such a written ripeness decision during the 180-day-notice period shall cause be deemed to ripen the prior action of the governmental entity to become its final decision identifying the uses for the subject property. Whether rendered by submission of a written decision during the 180-day-notice period or by failure to submit such a written decision, the final decision of a governmental entity produced under this paragraph operates as a final decision that has been rejected by the property owner.

- This final decision, and shall operate as a ripeness decision that has been rejected by the property owner. The ripeness decision, as a matter of law, constitutes the last prerequisite to judicial review of the merits, and the matter shall be deemed ripe or final for the purposes of the judicial proceeding created by this section, notwithstanding the availability of other administrative remedies.
- (11) A cause of action may not be commenced under this section if the claim is presented more than 1 year after a law or regulation is first applied by the governmental entity to the property at issue. Enacting a law or adopting a regulation does not constitute applying the law or regulation to a property. If an owner seeks relief from the governmental action through lawfully available administrative or judicial proceedings, the time for bringing an action under this section is tolled until the conclusion of such proceedings.
- Constitution, the state, for itself and for its agencies or subdivisions, waives sovereign immunity for liability for actions subject to this section, but only to the extent specified in this section. This section does not affect the sovereign immunity of government.

Section 21. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared severable.

Section 22. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003, and shall not operate to affect any litigation or claim brought under s. 70.001, Florida Statutes, which is pending on the date this act becomes a law.

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Remove the entire title, and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to governmental entities; creating s. 20.101, F.S.; creating the Department of State and Community Affairs; providing the mission of the department; providing that the department shall be headed by a secretary appointed by and serving at the pleasure of the Governor; establishing divisions within the department; providing that the Florida Housing Finance Corporation and the Division of Emergency Management shall be placed in the department for administrative purposes; requiring appointment of division directors; providing for the appointment of deputy and assistant secretaries; providing for the establishment of bureaus, sections, and subsections deemed necessary by the secretary for certain purposes, under certain conditions; providing for the appointment of directors or executive directors of any commission or council; providing for the appointment by the Governor of the director of the Division of Emergency Management; repealing s. 20.10, F.S., relating to the Department of State; repealing s. 20.18, F.S., relating to the Department of Community Affairs; providing for the transfer of programs, functions, activities, powers, duties, rules, records, personnel, property, and unexpended balances among

certain state agencies; providing that the Secretary of State shall continue in office as the secretary of the Department of State and Community Affairs without further appointment or confirmation; providing transitional provisions; amending ss. 11.011, 11.021, 11.03, 11.07, 15.01, 15.02, 15.03, 15.07, and 15.155, F.S., to conform; amending s. 257.36, F.S.; deleting responsibilities regarding the records and information management program; creating s. 257.361, F.S.; providing responsibilities for records storage to the Department of Management Services; directing the Division of Statutory Revision to prepare a reviser's bill for the 2004 Regular Session of the Legislature; amending s. 70.001, F.S., the "Bert J. Harris, Jr., Private Property Rights Protection Act"; limiting the definition of the term "action of a governmental entity"; providing that the state land planning agency rather than the Department of Legal Affairs shall receive notice of claims; amending procedures for determining a governmental entity's final decision identifying the allowable uses for a property; providing that enactment of a law or adoption of a regulation does not constitute application of the law or regulation; providing for a limited waiver of sovereign immunity for liability; providing an effective date.

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