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Senator Bennett moved the following **amendment to amendment**
(385224):

Senate Amendment

On page 1, between lines 17 and 18,

insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section
370.12, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

370.12 Marine animals; regulation.--

(4) ANNUAL FUNDING OF PROGRAMS FOR MARINE ANIMALS.--

(a) Each fiscal year the Save the Manatee Trust Fund
shall be available to fund an impartial scientific benchmark
census of the manatee population in the state. Weather
permitting, the study shall be conducted annually by the Fish
and Wildlife Conservation Commission and the results shall be
made available to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of
the House of Representatives, and the Governor and Cabinet for
use in the evaluation and development of manatee protection
measures. In addition, the Save the Manatee Trust Fund shall
be available for annual funding of activities of public and

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1 private organizations and those of the commission intended to
2 provide manatee and marine mammal protection and recovery
3 effort; manufacture and erection of informational and
4 regulatory signs; production, publication, and distribution of
5 educational materials; participation in manatee and marine
6 mammal research programs, including carcass salvage and other
7 programs; programs intended to assist the recovery of the
8 manatee as an endangered species, assist the recovery of the
9 endangered or threatened marine mammals, and prevent the
10 endangerment of other species of marine mammals; and other
11 similar programs intended to protect and enhance the recovery
12 of the manatee and other species of marine mammals. ~~The~~
13 ~~commission shall annually solicit advisory recommendations~~
14 ~~from the Save the Manatee Committee affiliated with the Save~~
15 ~~the Manatee Club, as identified and recognized in Executive~~
16 ~~Order 85-19, on the use of funds from the Save the Manatee~~
17 ~~Trust Fund.~~

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19 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)
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