

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Bill No. HB 1857

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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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The Conference Committee on HB 1857 offered the following:

**Conference Committee Amendment (with title amendment)**

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. The Office of Urban Opportunity within the Executive Office of the Governor, as authorized and governed by section 14.2015(9), Florida Statutes, is transferred by a type two transfer, as defined in section 20.06(2), Florida Statutes, to the Department of Community Affairs.

Section 2. The State Energy Program, as authorized and governed by sections 20.18, 288.041, 377.601-377.608, 377.701, and 377.703, Florida Statutes, and the Clean Fuel Florida Advisory Board, as authorized and governed by section 403.42, Florida Statutes, are transferred by a type two transfer, as defined in section 20.06(2), Florida Statutes, from the Department of Community Affairs to the Department of

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17 Environmental Protection. Notwithstanding section 20.06(2),  
18 Florida Statutes, trust funds associated with this program and  
19 board shall remain within the Department of Community Affairs.

20 Section 3. The Affordable Housing Catalyst Program, as  
21 authorized and governed by section 420.606, Florida Statutes, is  
22 transferred by a type two transfer, as defined in section  
23 20.06(2), Florida Statutes, from the Department of Community  
24 Affairs to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation.

25 Notwithstanding section 20.06(2), Florida Statutes, trust funds  
26 associated with this program shall remain within the Department  
27 of Community Affairs.

28 Section 4. Subsection (9) of section 14.2015, Florida  
29 Statutes, is repealed.

30 Section 5. Subsection (6) of section 20.18, Florida  
31 Statutes, is amended to read:

32 20.18 Department of Community Affairs.--There is created a  
33 Department of Community Affairs.

34 (6) The Office of Urban Opportunity is created within the  
35 Department of Community Affairs. The purpose of the office is to  
36 administer the Front Porch Florida initiative, a comprehensive,  
37 community-based urban core redevelopment program that enables  
38 urban core residents to craft solutions to the unique challenges  
39 of each designated community. ~~The department is the agency of~~  
40 ~~state government responsible for collection and analysis of~~  
41 ~~information on energy resources in this state, for coordination~~  
42 ~~of the energy conservation programs of state agencies, and for~~  
43 ~~coordination of the development, review, and implementation of~~  
44 ~~state energy policy. The energy program responsibilities of the~~

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45 ~~department set forth in this subsection shall be carried out by~~  
46 ~~the Office of the Secretary of Community Affairs until such time~~  
47 ~~as the secretary determines that such responsibilities should be~~  
48 ~~redistributed within the various divisions of the department and~~  
49 ~~submits a report to the Legislature with respect thereto.~~

50 Section 6. Subsection (8) is added to section 20.255,  
51 Florida Statutes, to read:

52 20.255 Department of Environmental Protection.--There is  
53 created a Department of Environmental Protection.

54 (8) The department is the agency of state government  
55 responsible for collecting and analyzing information concerning  
56 energy resources in this state; for coordinating the energy  
57 conservation programs of state agencies; and for coordinating  
58 the development, review, and implementation of the state's  
59 energy policy.

60 Section 7. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section  
61 163.03, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

62 163.03 Secretary of Community Affairs; powers and duties;  
63 function of Department of Community Affairs with respect to  
64 federal grant-in-aid programs.--

65 (3) The department is authorized to adopt rules  
66 implementing the following grant programs, which rules shall be  
67 consistent with the laws, regulations, or guidelines governing  
68 the grant to the department:

69 (b) Grants under the federal ~~programs known as the Coastal~~  
70 ~~Energy Impact Program and the~~ Outer Continental Shelf Program  
71 administered by the Bureau of Land and Water Management.

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72 Section 8. Paragraph (q) of subsection (5) of section  
73 212.08, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

74 212.08 Sales, rental, use, consumption, distribution, and  
75 storage tax; specified exemptions.--The sale at retail, the  
76 rental, the use, the consumption, the distribution, and the  
77 storage to be used or consumed in this state of the following  
78 are hereby specifically exempt from the tax imposed by this  
79 chapter.

80 (5) EXEMPTIONS; ACCOUNT OF USE.--

81 (q) Community contribution tax credit for donations.--

82 1. Authorization.--Beginning July 1, 2001, persons who are  
83 registered with the department under s. 212.18 to collect or  
84 remit sales or use tax and who make donations to eligible  
85 sponsors are eligible for tax credits against their state sales  
86 and use tax liabilities as provided in this paragraph:

87 a. The credit shall be computed as 50 percent of the  
88 person's approved annual community contribution;

89 b. The credit shall be granted as a refund against state  
90 sales and use taxes reported on returns and remitted in the 12  
91 months preceding the date of application to the department for  
92 the credit as required in sub-subparagraph 3.c. If the annual  
93 credit is not fully used through such refund because of  
94 insufficient tax payments during the applicable 12-month period,  
95 the unused amount may be included in an application for a refund  
96 made pursuant to sub-subparagraph 3.c. in subsequent years  
97 against the total tax payments made for such year. Carryover  
98 credits may be applied for a 3-year period without regard to any  
99 time limitation that would otherwise apply under s. 215.26;

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100 c. No person shall receive more than \$200,000 in annual  
101 tax credits for all approved community contributions made in any  
102 one year;

103 d. All proposals for the granting of the tax credit shall  
104 require the prior approval of the Office of Tourism, Trade, and  
105 Economic Development;

106 e. The total amount of tax credits which may be granted  
107 for all programs approved under this paragraph, s. 220.183, and  
108 s. 624.5105 is \$10 million annually; and

109 f. A person who is eligible to receive the credit provided  
110 for in this paragraph, s. 220.183, or s. 624.5105 may receive  
111 the credit only under the one section of the person's choice.

112 2. Eligibility requirements.--

113 a. A community contribution by a person must be in the  
114 following form:

115 (I) Cash or other liquid assets;

116 (II) Real property;

117 (III) Goods or inventory; or

118 (IV) Other physical resources as identified by the Office  
119 of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development.

120 b. All community contributions must be reserved  
121 exclusively for use in a project. As used in this sub-  
122 subparagraph, the term "project" means any activity undertaken  
123 by an eligible sponsor which is designed to construct, improve,  
124 or substantially rehabilitate housing that is affordable to low-  
125 income or very-low-income households as defined in s.  
126 420.9071(19) and(28); designed to provide commercial,  
127 industrial, or public resources and facilities; or designed to

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128 improve entrepreneurial and job-development opportunities for  
129 low-income persons. A project may be the investment necessary to  
130 increase access to high-speed broadband capability in rural  
131 communities with enterprise zones, including projects that  
132 result in improvements to communications assets that are owned  
133 by a business. A project may include the provision of museum  
134 educational programs and materials that are directly related to  
135 any project approved between January 1, 1996, and December 31,  
136 1999, and located in an enterprise zone as referenced in s.  
137 290.00675. This paragraph does not preclude projects that  
138 propose to construct or rehabilitate housing for low-income or  
139 very-low-income households on scattered sites. The Office of  
140 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may reserve up to 50  
141 percent of the available annual tax credits for housing for  
142 very-low-income households pursuant to s. 420.9071(28) for the  
143 first 6 months of the fiscal year. With respect to housing,  
144 contributions may be used to pay the following eligible low-  
145 income and very-low-income housing-related activities:

146 (I) Project development impact and management fees for  
147 low-income or very-low-income housing projects;

148 (II) Down payment and closing costs for eligible persons,  
149 as defined in s. 420.9071(19) and (28);

150 (III) Administrative costs, including housing counseling  
151 and marketing fees, not to exceed 10 percent of the community  
152 contribution, directly related to low-income or very-low-income  
153 projects; and

154 (IV) Removal of liens recorded against residential  
155 property by municipal, county, or special district local

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156 governments when satisfaction of the lien is a necessary  
157 precedent to the transfer of the property to an eligible person,  
158 as defined in s. 420.9071(19) and (28), for the purpose of  
159 promoting home ownership. Contributions for lien removal must be  
160 received from a nonrelated third party.

161 c. The project must be undertaken by an "eligible  
162 sponsor," which includes:

163 (I) A community action program;

164 (II) A nonprofit community-based development organization  
165 whose mission is the provision of housing for low-income or  
166 very-low-income households or increasing entrepreneurial and  
167 job-development opportunities for low-income persons;

168 (III) A neighborhood housing services corporation;

169 (IV) A local housing authority created under chapter 421;

170 (V) A community redevelopment agency created under s.  
171 163.356;

172 (VI) The Florida Industrial Development Corporation;

173 (VII) A historic preservation district agency or  
174 organization;

175 (VIII) A regional workforce board;

176 (IX) A direct-support organization as provided in s.  
177 1009.983;

178 (X) An enterprise zone development agency created under s.  
179 290.0056;

180 (XI) A community-based organization incorporated under  
181 chapter 617 which is recognized as educational, charitable, or  
182 scientific pursuant to s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code  
183 and whose bylaws and articles of incorporation include

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184 affordable housing, economic development, or community  
185 development as the primary mission of the corporation;

186 (XII) Units of local government;

187 (XIII) Units of state government; or

188 (XIV) Any other agency that the Office of Tourism, Trade,  
189 and Economic Development designates by rule.

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191 In no event may a contributing person have a financial interest  
192 in the eligible sponsor.

193 d. The project must be located in an area designated an  
194 enterprise zone or a Front Porch Florida Community pursuant to  
195 s. 20.18(6) ~~s. 14.2015(9)(b)~~, unless the project increases  
196 access to high-speed broadband capability for rural communities  
197 with enterprise zones but is physically located outside the  
198 designated rural zone boundaries. Any project designed to  
199 construct or rehabilitate housing for low-income or very-low-  
200 income households as defined in s. 420.0971(19) and (28) is  
201 exempt from the area requirement of this sub-subparagraph.

202 3. Application requirements.--

203 a. Any eligible sponsor seeking to participate in this  
204 program must submit a proposal to the Office of Tourism, Trade,  
205 and Economic Development which sets forth the name of the  
206 sponsor, a description of the project, and the area in which the  
207 project is located, together with such supporting information as  
208 is prescribed by rule. The proposal must also contain a  
209 resolution from the local governmental unit in which the project  
210 is located certifying that the project is consistent with local  
211 plans and regulations.

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212           b. Any person seeking to participate in this program must  
213 submit an application for tax credit to the Office of Tourism,  
214 Trade, and Economic Development which sets forth the name of the  
215 sponsor, a description of the project, and the type, value, and  
216 purpose of the contribution. The sponsor shall verify the terms  
217 of the application and indicate its receipt of the contribution,  
218 which verification must be in writing and accompany the  
219 application for tax credit. The person must submit a separate  
220 tax credit application to the office for each individual  
221 contribution that it makes to each individual project.

222           c. Any person who has received notification from the  
223 Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development that a tax  
224 credit has been approved must apply to the department to receive  
225 the refund. Application must be made on the form prescribed for  
226 claiming refunds of sales and use taxes and be accompanied by a  
227 copy of the notification. A person may submit only one  
228 application for refund to the department within any 12-month  
229 period.

230           4. Administration.--

231           a. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development  
232 may adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 necessary  
233 to administer this paragraph, including rules for the approval  
234 or disapproval of proposals by a person.

235           b. The decision of the Office of Tourism, Trade, and  
236 Economic Development must be in writing, and, if approved, the  
237 notification shall state the maximum credit allowable to the  
238 person. Upon approval, the office shall transmit a copy of the  
239 decision to the Department of Revenue.

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240 c. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development  
241 shall periodically monitor all projects in a manner consistent  
242 with available resources to ensure that resources are used in  
243 accordance with this paragraph; however, each project must be  
244 reviewed at least once every 2 years.

245 d. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development  
246 shall, in consultation with the Department of Community Affairs,  
247 the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, and the statewide and  
248 regional housing and financial intermediaries, market the  
249 availability of the community contribution tax credit program to  
250 community-based organizations.

251 5. Expiration.--This paragraph expires June 30, 2005;  
252 however, any accrued credit carryover that is unused on that  
253 date may be used until the expiration of the 3-year carryover  
254 period for such credit.

255 Section 9. Paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section  
256 220.183, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

257 220.183 Community contribution tax credit.--

258 (2) ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.--

259 (d) The project shall be located in an area designated as  
260 an enterprise zone or a Front Porch Florida Community pursuant  
261 to s. 20.18(6) ~~s. 14.2015(9)(b)~~. Any project designed to  
262 construct or rehabilitate housing for low-income or very-low-  
263 income households as defined in s. 420.9071(19) and (28) is  
264 exempt from the area requirement of this paragraph. This section  
265 does not preclude projects that propose to construct or  
266 rehabilitate housing for low-income or very-low-income  
267 households on scattered sites. Any project designed to provide

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268 increased access to high-speed broadband capabilities which  
 269 includes coverage of a rural enterprise zone may locate the  
 270 project's infrastructure in any area of a rural county.

271 Section 10. Subsections (3) and (5) of section 288.041,  
 272 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

273 288.041 Solar energy industry; legislative findings and  
 274 policy; promotional activities.--

275 (3) Enterprise Florida, Inc., and its boards shall assist  
 276 in the expansion of the solar energy industry in this state.  
 277 Such efforts shall be undertaken in cooperation with the  
 278 Department of Environmental Protection ~~Community Affairs~~, the  
 279 Florida Solar Energy Center, and the Florida Solar Energy  
 280 Industries Association, and shall include:

281 (a) Providing assistance and support to new and existing  
 282 photovoltaic companies, with special emphasis on attracting one  
 283 or more manufacturers of photovoltaic products to locate within  
 284 this state.

285 (b) Sponsoring initiatives which aid and take full  
 286 advantage of the export market potential of solar technologies.

287 (c) Informing the business sector of this state about  
 288 opportunities for cost-effective commercial applications of  
 289 solar technologies.

290 (d) Encouraging employment of residents of this state by  
 291 solar energy companies.

292 (e) Retaining existing solar energy companies and  
 293 supporting their expansion efforts in this state.

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294 (f) Supporting the promotion of solar energy by sponsoring  
295 workshops, seminars, conferences, and educational programs on  
296 the benefits of solar energy.

297 (g) Recognizing outstanding developments and achievements  
298 in, and contributions to, the solar energy industry.

299 (h) Collecting and disseminating solar energy information  
300 relevant to the promotion of solar energy applications.

301 (i) Enlisting the support of persons, civic groups, the  
302 solar energy industry, and other organizations to promote and  
303 improve solar energy products and services.

304 (5) By January 15 of each year, the Department of  
305 Environmental Protection ~~Community Affairs~~ shall report to the  
306 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the  
307 House of Representatives on the impact of the solar energy  
308 industry on the economy of this state and shall make any  
309 recommendations on initiatives to further promote the solar  
310 energy industry as the department deems appropriate.

311 Section 11. Subsection (2) of section 288.95155, Florida  
312 Statutes, is amended to read:

313 288.95155 Florida Small Business Technology Growth  
314 Program.--

315 (2) Enterprise Florida, Inc., shall establish a separate  
316 small business technology growth account in the Florida  
317 Technology Research Investment Fund for purposes of this  
318 section. Moneys in the account shall consist of appropriations  
319 by the Legislature, proceeds of any collateral used to secure  
320 such assistance, transfers, fees assessed for providing or  
321 processing such financial assistance, grants, interest earnings,

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322 ~~and earnings on financial assistance, and any moneys transferred~~  
323 ~~to the account by the Department of Community Affairs from the~~  
324 ~~Economic Opportunity Trust Fund for use in qualifying energy~~  
325 ~~projects.~~

326 Section 12. Subsection (2) of section 377.602, Florida  
327 Statutes, is amended to read:

328 377.602 Definitions.--As used in ss. 377.601-377.608:

329 (2) "Department" means the Department of Environmental  
330 Protection ~~Community Affairs~~.

331 Section 13. Section 377.603, Florida Statutes, is amended  
332 to read:

333 377.603 Energy data collection; powers and duties of the  
334 Department of Environmental Protection ~~Community Affairs~~--

335 (1) The department shall collect data on the extraction,  
336 production, importation, exportation, refinement,  
337 transportation, transmission, conversion, storage, sale, or  
338 reserves of energy resources in this state in an efficient and  
339 expeditious manner.

340 (2) The department shall prepare periodic reports of  
341 energy data it collects.

342 (3) The department shall prescribe and furnish forms for  
343 the collection of information as required by ss. 377.601-377.608  
344 and shall consult with other state entities to assure that such  
345 data collected will meet their data requirements.

346 (4) The department may adopt and promulgate such rules and  
347 regulations as are necessary to carry out the provisions of ss.  
348 377.601-377.608. Such rules shall be pursuant to chapter 120.

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349 (5) The department shall maintain internal validation  
350 procedures to assure the accuracy of information received.

351 Section 14. Subsection (1) of section 377.701, Florida  
352 Statutes, is amended to read:

353 377.701 Petroleum allocation.--

354 (1) The Department of Environmental Protection ~~Community~~  
355 ~~Affairs~~ shall assume the state's role in petroleum allocation  
356 and conservation, including the development of a fair and  
357 equitable petroleum plan. The department shall constitute the  
358 responsible state agency for performing the functions of any  
359 federal program delegated to the state, which relates to  
360 petroleum supply, demand, and allocation.

361 Section 15. Subsections (1), (2), and (3) of section  
362 377.703, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

363 377.703 Additional functions of the Department of  
364 Environmental Protection ~~Community Affairs~~; energy emergency  
365 contingency plan; federal and state conservation programs.--

366 (1) LEGISLATIVE INTENT.--Recognizing that energy supply  
367 and demand questions have become a major area of concern to the  
368 state which must be dealt with by effective and well-coordinated  
369 state action, it is the intent of the Legislature to promote the  
370 efficient, effective, and economical management of energy  
371 problems, centralize energy coordination responsibilities,  
372 pinpoint responsibility for conducting energy programs, and  
373 ensure the accountability of state agencies for the  
374 implementation of s. 377.601(4), the state energy policy. It is  
375 the specific intent of the Legislature that nothing in this act  
376 shall in any way change the powers, duties, and responsibilities

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377 assigned by the Florida Electrical Power Plant Siting Act, part  
 378 II of chapter 403, or the powers, duties, and responsibilities  
 379 of the Florida Public Service Commission.

380 (2) DEFINITIONS.--

381 (a) "Coordinate," "coordination," or "coordinating" means  
 382 the examination and evaluation of state plans and programs and  
 383 the providing of recommendations to the Cabinet, Legislature,  
 384 and appropriate state agency on any measures deemed necessary to  
 385 ensure that such plans and programs are consistent with state  
 386 energy policy.

387 (b) "Energy conservation" means increased efficiency in  
 388 the utilization of energy.

389 (c) "Energy emergency" means an actual or impending  
 390 shortage or curtailment of usable, necessary energy resources,  
 391 such that the maintenance of necessary services, the protection  
 392 of public health, safety, and welfare, or the maintenance of  
 393 basic sound economy is imperiled in any geographical section of  
 394 the state or throughout the entire state.

395 (d) "Energy source" means electricity, fossil fuels, solar  
 396 power, wind power, hydroelectric power, nuclear power, or any  
 397 other resource which has the capacity to do work.

398 (e) "Facilities" means any building or structure not  
 399 otherwise exempted by the provisions of this act.

400 (f) "Fuel" means petroleum, crude oil, petroleum product,  
 401 coal, natural gas, or any other substance used primarily for its  
 402 energy content.

403 (g) "Local government" means any county, municipality,  
 404 regional planning agency, or other special district or local

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405 governmental entity the policies or programs of which may affect  
406 the supply or demand, or both, for energy in the state.

407 (h) "Promotion" or "promote" means to encourage, aid,  
408 assist, provide technical and financial assistance, or otherwise  
409 seek to plan, develop, and expand.

410 (i) "Regional planning agency" means those agencies  
411 designated as regional planning agencies by the Department of  
412 Community Affairs.

413 (j) "Renewable energy resource" means any method, process,  
414 or substance the use of which does not diminish its availability  
415 or abundance, including, but not limited to, biomass conversion,  
416 geothermal energy, solar energy, wind energy, wood fuels derived  
417 from waste, ocean thermal gradient power, hydroelectric power,  
418 and fuels derived from agricultural products.

419 (3) DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ~~COMMUNITY~~  
420 ~~AFFAIRS~~; DUTIES.--The Department of Environmental Protection  
421 ~~Community Affairs~~ shall, in addition to assuming the duties and  
422 responsibilities provided by ss. 20.255 ~~20.18~~ and 377.701,  
423 perform the following functions consistent with the development  
424 of a state energy policy:

425 (a) The department shall assume the responsibility for  
426 development of an energy emergency contingency plan to respond  
427 to serious shortages of primary and secondary energy sources.  
428 Upon a finding by the Governor, implementation of any emergency  
429 program shall be upon order of the Governor that a particular  
430 kind or type of fuel is, or that the occurrence of an event  
431 which is reasonably expected within 30 days will make the fuel,  
432 in short supply. The department shall then respond by

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433 instituting the appropriate measures of the contingency plan to  
 434 meet the given emergency or energy shortage. The Governor may  
 435 utilize the provisions of s. 252.36(5) to carry out any  
 436 emergency actions required by a serious shortage of energy  
 437 sources.

438 (b) The department shall constitute the responsible state  
 439 agency for performing or coordinating the functions of any  
 440 federal energy programs delegated to the state, including energy  
 441 supply, demand, conservation, or allocation.

442 (c) The department shall analyze present and proposed  
 443 federal energy programs and make recommendations regarding those  
 444 programs to the Governor.

445 (d) The department shall coordinate efforts to seek  
 446 federal support or other support for state energy activities,  
 447 including energy conservation, research, or development, and  
 448 shall be the state agency responsible for the coordination of  
 449 multiagency energy conservation programs and plans.

450 (e) The department shall analyze energy data collected and  
 451 prepare long-range forecasts of energy supply and demand in  
 452 coordination with the Florida Public Service Commission, which  
 453 shall have responsibility for electricity and natural gas  
 454 forecasts. To this end, the forecasts shall contain:

455 1. An analysis of the relationship of state economic  
 456 growth and development to energy supply and demand, including  
 457 the constraints to economic growth resulting from energy supply  
 458 constraints.

459 2. Plans for the development of renewable energy resources  
 460 and reduction in dependence on depletable energy resources,

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461 particularly oil and natural gas, and an analysis of the extent  
 462 to which renewable energy sources are being utilized in the  
 463 state.

464 3. Consideration of alternative scenarios of statewide  
 465 energy supply and demand for 5, 10, and 20 years, to identify  
 466 strategies for long-range action, including identification of  
 467 potential social, economic, and environmental effects.

468 4. An assessment of the state's energy resources,  
 469 including examination of the availability of commercially  
 470 developable and imported fuels, and an analysis of anticipated  
 471 effects on the state's environment and social services resulting  
 472 from energy resource development activities or from energy  
 473 supply constraints, or both.

474 (f) The department shall make a report, as requested by  
 475 the Governor or the Legislature, reflecting its activities and  
 476 making recommendations of policies for improvement of the  
 477 state's response to energy supply and demand and its effect on  
 478 the health, safety, and welfare of the people of Florida. The  
 479 report shall include a report from the Florida Public Service  
 480 Commission on electricity and natural gas and information on  
 481 energy conservation programs conducted and under way in the past  
 482 year and shall include recommendations for energy conservation  
 483 programs for the state, including, but not limited to, the  
 484 following factors:

485 1. Formulation of specific recommendations for improvement  
 486 in the efficiency of energy utilization in governmental,  
 487 residential, commercial, industrial, and transportation sectors.

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488           2. Collection and dissemination of information relating to  
489 energy conservation.

490           3. Development and conduct of educational and training  
491 programs relating to energy conservation.

492           4. An analysis of the ways in which state agencies are  
493 seeking to implement s. 377.601(4), the state energy policy, and  
494 recommendations for better fulfilling this policy.

495           (g) The department has authority to adopt rules pursuant  
496 to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement the provisions of this  
497 act.

498           (h) Promote the development and use of renewable energy  
499 resources, in conformance with the provisions of chapter 187 and  
500 s. 377.601, by:

501           1. Establishing goals and strategies for increasing the  
502 use of solar energy in this state.

503           2. Aiding and promoting the commercialization of solar  
504 energy technology, in cooperation with the Florida Solar Energy  
505 Center, Enterprise Florida, Inc., and any other federal, state,  
506 or local governmental agency which may seek to promote research,  
507 development, and demonstration of solar energy equipment and  
508 technology.

509           3. Identifying barriers to greater use of solar energy  
510 systems in this state, and developing specific recommendations  
511 for overcoming identified barriers, with findings and  
512 recommendations to be submitted annually in the report to the  
513 Legislature required under paragraph (f).

514           4. In cooperation with the Department of Transportation,  
515 the Department of Community Affairs, Enterprise Florida, Inc.,

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516 the Florida Solar Energy Center, and the Florida Solar Energy  
 517 Industries Association, investigating opportunities, pursuant to  
 518 the National Energy Policy Act of 1992 and the Housing and  
 519 Community Development Act of 1992, for solar electric vehicles  
 520 and other solar energy manufacturing, distribution,  
 521 installation, and financing efforts which will enhance this  
 522 state's position as the leader in solar energy research,  
 523 development, and use.

524 5. Undertaking other initiatives to advance the  
 525 development and use of renewable energy resources in this state.

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527 In the exercise of its responsibilities under this paragraph,  
 528 the department shall seek the assistance of the solar energy  
 529 industry in this state and other interested parties and is  
 530 authorized to enter into contracts, retain professional  
 531 consulting services, and expend funds appropriated by the  
 532 Legislature for such purposes.

533 (i) The department shall promote energy conservation in  
 534 all energy use sectors throughout the state and shall constitute  
 535 the state agency primarily responsible for this function. To  
 536 this end, the department shall coordinate the energy  
 537 conservation programs of all state agencies and review and  
 538 comment on the energy conservation programs of all state  
 539 agencies.

540 (j) The department shall serve as the state clearinghouse  
 541 for indexing and gathering all information related to energy  
 542 programs in state universities, in private universities, in  
 543 federal, state, and local government agencies, and in private

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544 industry and shall prepare and distribute such information in  
 545 any manner necessary to inform and advise the citizens of the  
 546 state of such programs and activities. This shall include  
 547 developing and maintaining a current index and profile of all  
 548 research activities, which shall be identified by energy area  
 549 and may include a summary of the project, the amount and sources  
 550 of funding, anticipated completion dates, or, in case of  
 551 completed research, conclusions, recommendations, and  
 552 applicability to state government and private sector functions.  
 553 The department shall coordinate, promote, and respond to efforts  
 554 by all sectors of the economy to seek financial support for  
 555 energy activities. The department shall provide information to  
 556 consumers regarding the anticipated energy-use and energy-saving  
 557 characteristics of products and services in coordination with  
 558 any federal, state, or local governmental agencies as may  
 559 provide such information to consumers.

560 (k) The department shall coordinate energy-related  
 561 programs of state government, including, but not limited to, the  
 562 programs provided in this section. To this end, the department  
 563 shall:

564 1. Provide assistance to other state agencies, counties,  
 565 municipalities, and regional planning agencies to further and  
 566 promote their energy planning activities.

567 2. Require, in cooperation with the Department of  
 568 Management Services, all state agencies to operate state-owned  
 569 and state-leased buildings in accordance with energy  
 570 conservation standards as adopted by the Department of  
 571 Management Services. Every 3 months, the Department of

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572 Management Services shall furnish the department data on  
573 agencies' energy consumption in a format mutually agreed upon by  
574 the two departments.

575 3. Promote the development and use of renewable energy  
576 resources, energy efficiency technologies, and conservation  
577 measures.

578 4. Promote the recovery of energy from wastes, including,  
579 but not limited to, the use of waste heat, the use of  
580 agricultural products as a source of energy, and recycling of  
581 manufactured products. Such promotion shall be conducted in  
582 conjunction with, and after consultation with, the Department of  
583 Environmental Protection, the Florida Public Service Commission  
584 where electrical generation or natural gas is involved, and any  
585 other relevant federal, state, or local governmental agency  
586 having responsibility for resource recovery programs.

587 (1) The department shall develop, coordinate, and promote  
588 a comprehensive research plan for state programs. Such plan  
589 shall be consistent with state energy policy and shall be  
590 updated on a biennial basis.

591 (m) In recognition of the devastation to the economy of  
592 this state and the dangers to the health and welfare of  
593 residents of this state caused by Hurricane Andrew, and the  
594 potential for such impacts caused by other natural disasters,  
595 the department shall include in its energy emergency contingency  
596 plan and provide to the Department of Community Affairs for  
597 inclusion in the state model energy efficiency building code  
598 specific provisions to facilitate the use of cost-effective  
599 solar energy technologies as emergency remedial and preventive

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600 measures for providing electric power, street lighting, and  
601 water heating service in the event of electric power outages.

602 Section 16. Subsection (3) of section 381.7354, Florida  
603 Statutes, is amended to read:

604 381.7354 Eligibility.--

605 (3) In addition to the grants awarded under subsections  
606 (1) and (2), up to 20 percent of the funding for the Reducing  
607 Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities: Closing the Gap grant  
608 program shall be dedicated to projects that address improving  
609 racial and ethnic health status within specific Front Porch  
610 Florida Communities, as designated pursuant to s. 20.18(6) ~~s.~~  
611 ~~14.2015(9)(b)~~.

612 Section 17. Section 403.42, Florida Statutes, is amended  
613 to read:

614 403.42 Florida Clean Fuel Act.--

615 (1) SHORT TITLE AND PURPOSE.--

616 (a) This section may be cited as the "Florida Clean Fuel  
617 Act."

618 (b) The purposes of this act are to establish the Clean  
619 Fuel Florida Advisory Board under the Department of  
620 Environmental Protection ~~Community Affairs~~ to study the  
621 implementation of alternative fuel vehicles and to formulate and  
622 provide to the Secretary of Environmental Protection ~~Community~~  
623 ~~Affairs~~ recommendations on expanding the use of alternative fuel  
624 vehicles in this state and make funding available for  
625 implementation.

626 (2) DEFINITIONS.--For purposes of this act:

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627 (a) "Alternative fuels" include electricity, biodiesel,  
628 natural gas, propane, and any other fuel that may be deemed  
629 appropriate in the future by the Department of Environmental  
630 Protection Community Affairs with guidance from the Clean Fuel  
631 Florida Advisory Board.

632 (b) "Alternative fuel vehicles" include on-road and off-  
633 road transportation vehicles and light-duty, medium-duty, and  
634 heavy-duty vehicles that are powered by an alternative fuel or a  
635 combination of alternative fuels.

636 (3) CLEAN FUEL FLORIDA ADVISORY BOARD ESTABLISHED;  
637 MEMBERSHIP; DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.--

638 (a) The Clean Fuel Florida Advisory Board is established  
639 within the Department of Environmental Protection Community  
640 Affairs.

641 (b)1. The advisory board shall consist of the Secretary of  
642 Community Affairs, or a designee from that department, the  
643 Secretary of Environmental Protection, or a designee from that  
644 department, the Commissioner of Education, or a designee from  
645 that department, the Secretary of Transportation, or a designee  
646 from that department, the Commissioner of Agriculture, or a  
647 designee from the Department of Agriculture and Consumer  
648 Services, the Secretary of Management Services, or a designee  
649 from that department, and a representative of each of the  
650 following, who shall be appointed by the Secretary of  
651 Environmental Protection Community Affairs within 30 days after  
652 ~~the effective date of this act:~~

- 653 a. The Florida biodiesel industry.  
654 b. The Florida electric utility industry.

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- 655 c. The Florida natural gas industry.  
656 d. The Florida propane gas industry.  
657 e. An automobile manufacturers' association.  
658 f. A Florida Clean Cities Coalition designated by the  
659 United States Department of Energy.  
660 g. Enterprise Florida, Inc.  
661 h. EV Ready Broward.  
662 i. The Florida petroleum industry.  
663 j. The Florida League of Cities.  
664 k. The Florida Association of Counties.  
665 l. Floridians for Better Transportation.  
666 m. A motor vehicle manufacturer.  
667 n. Florida Local Environment Resource Agencies.  
668 o. Project for an Energy Efficient Florida.  
669 p. Florida Transportation Builders Association.
- 670 2. The purpose of the advisory board is to serve as a  
671 resource for the department and to provide the Governor, the  
672 Legislature, and the Secretary of Environmental Protection  
673 ~~Community Affairs~~ with private sector and other public agency  
674 perspectives on achieving the goal of increasing the use of  
675 alternative fuel vehicles in this state.
- 676 3. Members shall be appointed to serve terms of 1 year  
677 each, with reappointment at the discretion of the Secretary of  
678 Environmental Protection ~~Community Affairs~~. Vacancies shall be  
679 filled for the remainder of the unexpired term in the same  
680 manner as the original appointment.
- 681 4. The board shall annually select a chairperson.

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682           5.a. The board shall meet at least once each quarter or  
683 more often at the call of the chairperson or the Secretary of  
684 Environmental Protection ~~Community Affairs~~.

685           b. Meetings are exempt from the notice requirements of  
686 chapter 120, and sufficient notice shall be given to afford  
687 interested persons reasonable notice under the circumstances.

688           6. Members of the board are entitled to travel expenses  
689 while engaged in the performance of board duties.

690           7. The board shall terminate 5 years after the effective  
691 date of this act.

692           (c) The board shall review the performance of the state  
693 with reference to alternative fuel vehicle implementation in  
694 complying with federal laws and maximizing available federal  
695 funding and may:

696           1. Advise the Governor, Legislature, and the Secretary of  
697 Environmental Protection ~~Community Affairs~~ and make  
698 recommendations regarding implementation and use of alternative  
699 fuel vehicles in this state.

700           2. Identify potential improvements in this act and the  
701 state's alternative fuel policies.

702           3. Request from all state agencies any information the  
703 board determines relevant to board duties.

704           4. Regularly report to the Secretary of Environmental  
705 Protection ~~Community Affairs~~, the Governor, the President of the  
706 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives  
707 regarding the board's findings and recommendations.

708           (d)1. The advisory board shall, ~~within 120 days after its~~  
709 ~~first meeting~~, make recommendations to the Department of

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710 Environmental Protection ~~Community Affairs~~ for establishing  
711 pilot programs in this state that provide experience and support  
712 the best use expansion of the alternative fuel vehicle industry  
713 in this state. No funds shall be released for a project unless  
714 there is at least a 50-percent private or local match.

715 2. In addition to the pilot programs, the advisory board  
716 shall assess federal, state, and local initiatives to identify  
717 incentives that encourage successful alternative fuel vehicle  
718 programs; obstacles to alternative fuel vehicle use including  
719 legislative, regulatory, and economic obstacles; and programs  
720 that educate and inform the public about alternative fuel  
721 vehicles.

722 3. The advisory board is charged with determining a  
723 reasonable, fair, and equitable way to address current motor  
724 fuel taxes as they apply to alternative fuels and at what  
725 threshold of market penetration.

726 4. Based on its findings, the advisory board shall develop  
727 recommendations to the Legislature on future alternative fuel  
728 vehicle programs and legislative changes that provide the best  
729 use of state and other resources to enhance the alternative fuel  
730 vehicle market in this state and maximize the return on that  
731 investment in terms of job creation, economic development, and  
732 emissions reduction.

733 (e) The advisory board, working with the Department of  
734 Environmental Protection ~~Community Affairs~~, shall develop a  
735 budget for the department's approval, and all expenditures shall  
736 be approved by the department. At the conclusion of the first

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737 | year, the department shall conduct an audit of the board and  
738 | board programs.

739 |       Section 18. Subsections (42) and (43) are added to section  
740 | 420.507, Florida Statutes, to read:

741 |       420.507 Powers of the corporation.--The corporation shall  
742 | have all the powers necessary or convenient to carry out and  
743 | effectuate the purposes and provisions of this part, including  
744 | the following powers which are in addition to all other powers  
745 | granted by other provisions of this part:

746 |       (42) To provide information, assistance, and facilities  
747 | needed by the Affordable Housing Study Commission.

748 |       (43) To develop and administer the Affordable Housing  
749 | Catalyst Program under s. 420.531.

750 |       Section 19. Section 420.531, Florida Statutes, is created  
751 | to read:

752 |       420.531 Affordable Housing Catalyst Program.--The  
753 | corporation shall operate the Affordable Housing Catalyst  
754 | Program for the purpose of securing the expertise necessary to  
755 | provide specialized technical support to local governments and  
756 | community-based organizations to implement the HOME Investment  
757 | Partnership Program, State Housing Initiatives Partnership  
758 | Program, and other affordable housing programs. To the maximum  
759 | extent feasible, the entity to provide the necessary expertise  
760 | must be recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a  
761 | nonprofit tax-exempt organization. It must have as its primary  
762 | mission the provision of affordable housing training and  
763 | technical assistance, an ability to provide training and  
764 | technical assistance statewide, and a proven track record of

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765 successfully providing training and technical assistance under  
766 the Affordable Housing Catalyst Program. The technical support  
767 shall, at a minimum, include training relating to the following  
768 key elements of the partnership programs:

769 (1) Formation of local and regional housing partnerships  
770 as a means of bringing together resources to provide affordable  
771 housing.

772 (2) Implementation of regulatory reforms to reduce the  
773 risk and cost of developing affordable housing.

774 (3) Implementation of affordable housing programs included  
775 in local government comprehensive plans.

776 (4) Compliance with requirements of federally funded  
777 housing programs.

778 Section 20. Subsection (8) of section 420.6015, Florida  
779 Statutes, is amended to read:

780 420.6015 Legislative findings.--In addition to the  
781 findings and declarations in ss. 420.0002, 420.502, 421.02,  
782 422.02, and 423.01, which are hereby reaffirmed, the Legislature  
783 finds that:

784 ~~(8) Through the Affordable Housing Catalyst Program and~~  
785 ~~other program and staff resources,~~ The department shall  
786 facilitate the mobilization of public and private resources to  
787 provide affordable housing through its responsibilities in the  
788 areas of housing, comprehensive planning, and community  
789 assistance.

790 Section 21. Subsection (3) of section 420.606, Florida  
791 Statutes, is amended to read:

792 420.606 Training and technical assistance program.--

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793 (3) TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.--The  
 794 Department of Community Affairs shall be responsible for  
 795 securing the necessary expertise to provide training and  
 796 technical assistance to staff of local governments, to staff of  
 797 state agencies, as appropriate, and to community-based  
 798 organizations, and to persons forming such organizations, which  
 799 are formed for the purpose of developing new housing and  
 800 rehabilitating existing housing which is affordable for very-  
 801 low-income persons, low-income persons, and moderate-income  
 802 persons. ~~To the maximum extent feasible, the entity to provide~~  
 803 ~~the necessary expertise must be recognized by the Internal~~  
 804 ~~Revenue Service as a nonprofit tax-exempt organization. It must~~  
 805 ~~have as its primary mission the provision of affordable housing~~  
 806 ~~training and technical assistance; an ability to provide~~  
 807 ~~training and technical assistance statewide; and a proven track~~  
 808 ~~record of successfully providing training and technical~~  
 809 ~~assistance under the Affordable Housing Catalyst Program.~~

810 (a) The training component of the program shall be  
 811 designed to build the housing development capacity of community-  
 812 based organizations and local governments as a permanent  
 813 resource for the benefit of communities in this state.

814 1. The scope of training shall include, but not be limited  
 815 to, real estate development skills related to affordable  
 816 housing, including the construction process and property  
 817 management and disposition, the development of public-private  
 818 partnerships to reduce housing costs, model housing projects,  
 819 and management and board responsibilities of community-based  
 820 organizations.

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821           2. Training activities may include, but are not limited  
822 to, materials for self-instruction, workshops, seminars,  
823 internships, coursework, and special programs developed in  
824 conjunction with state universities and community colleges.

825           (b) The technical assistance component of the program  
826 shall be designed to assist applicants for state-administered  
827 programs in developing applications and in expediting project  
828 implementation. Technical assistance activities for the staffs  
829 of community-based organizations and local governments who are  
830 directly involved in the production of affordable housing may  
831 include, but are not limited to, workshops for program  
832 applicants, onsite visits, guidance in achieving project  
833 completion, and a newsletter to community-based organizations  
834 and local governments.

835           ~~(c) The department shall establish a program known as the~~  
836 ~~Affordable Housing Catalyst Program to be responsible for~~  
837 ~~securing the necessary expertise as provided in this section for~~  
838 ~~providing specialized technical support to local governments to~~  
839 ~~implement the HOME Investment Partnership Program, State Housing~~  
840 ~~Initiatives Partnership Program, and other affordable housing~~  
841 ~~programs. The technical support shall, at a minimum, provide~~  
842 ~~training relating to the following key elements of the~~  
843 ~~partnership programs:~~

844           ~~1. The formation of local and regional housing~~  
845 ~~partnerships as a means of bringing together resources to~~  
846 ~~provide affordable housing.~~

847           ~~2. The implementation of regulatory reforms to reduce the~~  
848 ~~risk and cost of developing affordable housing.~~

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849           ~~3. The implementation of affordable housing programs~~  
850 ~~included in local government comprehensive plans.~~

851           ~~4. The compliance with requirements of federally funded~~  
852 ~~housing programs.~~

853           Section 22. Subsection (3) of section 420.609, Florida  
854 Statutes, is amended to read:

855           420.609 Affordable Housing Study Commission.--Because the  
856 Legislature firmly supports affordable housing in Florida for  
857 all economic classes:

858           (3) The ~~department and the~~ corporation shall supply such  
859 information, assistance, and facilities as are deemed necessary  
860 for the commission to carry out its duties under this section  
861 and shall provide such staff assistance as is necessary for the  
862 performance of required clerical and administrative functions of  
863 the commission.

864           Section 23. Subsection (7) of section 420.631, Florida  
865 Statutes, is amended to read:

866           420.631 Definitions relating to Urban Homesteading  
867 Act.--As used in ss. 420.630-420.635:

868           (7) "Office" means the Office of Urban Opportunity within  
869 the Department of Community Affairs ~~Office of Tourism, Trade,~~  
870 ~~and Economic Development.~~

871           Section 24. Subsection (7) of section 420.9075, Florida  
872 Statutes, is amended to read:

873           420.9075 Local housing assistance plans; partnerships.--

874           (7) Pursuant to s. 420.531 ~~s. 420.606~~, the corporation  
875 shall provide technical assistance to local governments  
876 regarding the creation of partnerships, the design of local

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877 housing assistance strategies, the implementation of local  
878 housing incentive strategies, and the provision of support  
879 services.

880 Section 25. Paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section  
881 624.5105, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

882 624.5105 Community contribution tax credit; authorization;  
883 limitations; eligibility and application requirements;  
884 administration; definitions; expiration.--

885 (2) ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.--

886 (d) The project shall be located in an area designated as  
887 an enterprise zone or a Front Porch Community pursuant to s.  
888 20.18(6) ~~s. 14.2015(9)(b)~~. Any project designed to construct or  
889 rehabilitate housing for low-income or very-low-income  
890 households as defined in s. 420.9071(19) and (28) is exempt from  
891 the area requirement of this paragraph.

892 Section 26. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.

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

896 Remove the entire title and insert:

897 A bill to be entitled  
898 An act relating to governmental organization; transferring  
899 the Office of Urban Opportunity from the Executive Office  
900 of the Governor to the Department of Community Affairs;  
901 transferring the State Energy Program and the Clean Fuel  
902 Florida Advisory Board from the Department of Community  
903 Affairs to the Department of Environmental Protection;  
904 excluding the transfer of certain associated trust funds;

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905 transferring the Affordable Housing Catalyst Program from  
906 the Department of Community Affairs to the Florida Housing  
907 Finance Corporation; excluding the transfer of certain  
908 associated trust funds; repealing s. 14.2015(9), F.S.,  
909 relating to the establishment of the Office of Urban  
910 Opportunity within the Office of Tourism, Trade, and  
911 Economic Development of the Executive Office of the  
912 Governor; amending s. 20.18, F.S.; revising duties of the  
913 Department of Community Affairs to conform to changes made  
914 by the act; establishing the Office of Urban Opportunity  
915 within the Department of Community Affairs; amending s.  
916 20.255, F.S.; providing duties of the Department of  
917 Environmental Protection with respect to the state's  
918 energy policy, to conform; amending s. 163.03, F.S.,  
919 relating to the Coastal Energy Impact Program; conforming  
920 provisions to changes made by the act; amending ss. 212.08  
921 and 220.183, F.S.; conforming cross references; amending  
922 s. 288.041, F.S., relating to the solar energy industry;  
923 conforming provisions to the transfer of duties to the  
924 Department of Environmental Protection; amending s.  
925 288.95155, F.S., relating to the Florida Small Business  
926 Technology Growth Program; deleting obsolete provisions;  
927 amending ss. 377.602, 377.603, 377.701, and 377.703, F.S.,  
928 relating to the state's energy programs and policies;  
929 conforming provisions to the transfer of duties to the  
930 Department of Environmental Protection; authorizing the  
931 Department of Environmental Protection to adopt rules to  
932 administer the Coastal Energy Impact Program; amending s.

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933 | 381.7354, F.S.; conforming a cross reference; amending s.  
934 | 403.42, F.S., relating to the Florida Clean Fuel Act;  
935 | conforming provisions to the transfer of duties to the  
936 | Department of Environmental Protection; amending s.  
937 | 420.507, F.S., relating to the Florida Housing Finance  
938 | Corporation; authorizing the corporation to provide  
939 | resources to the Affordable Housing Study Commission and  
940 | perform other duties; creating s. 420.531, F.S.; providing  
941 | legislative findings with respect to supporting local  
942 | communities in providing affordable housing; providing for  
943 | the corporation to administer the Affordable Housing  
944 | Catalyst Program; providing the purpose of the program and  
945 | responsibilities of the corporation; amending ss.  
946 | 420.6015, 420.606, and 420.9075, F.S.; conforming  
947 | provisions to the transfer of the Affordable Housing  
948 | Catalyst Program to the Florida Housing Finance  
949 | Corporation; amending s. 420.609, F.S.; deleting duties of  
950 | the Department of Community Affairs with respect to the  
951 | Affordable Housing Study Commission; amending s. 420.631,  
952 | F.S.; conforming provisions to the transfer of the Office  
953 | of Urban Opportunity to the Department of Community  
954 | Affairs; amending s. 624.5105, F.S.; conforming a cross  
955 | reference; providing an effective date.

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