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The Committee on Community Affairs (Haridopolos) recommended
the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause

and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 109 of chapter
2000-141, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

Section 109. The Legislature has reviewed the Florida
Building Code that was adopted by action of the Florida
Building Commission on February 15, 2000, and that was noticed
for rule adoption by reference in Rule 9B-3.047, F.A.C., on
February 18, 2000, in the Florida Administrative Weekly on
page 731. The Florida Building Commission is directed to
continue the process to adopt the code, pursuant to section
120.54(3), Florida Statutes, and to incorporate the following
provisions or standards for the State of Florida:

(3) For areas of the state not within the high
velocity hurricane zone, the commission shall adopt, pursuant
to s. 553.73, Florida Statutes, the most current edition of

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1 the wind protection requirements of the American Society of
2 Civil Engineers, Standard 7, ~~1998 edition~~ as implemented by
3 the International Building Code, ~~2000 edition, and as modified~~
4 ~~by the commission in its February 15, 2000, adoption of the~~
5 ~~Florida Building Code for rule adoption by reference in Rule~~
6 ~~9B-3.047, Florida Administrative Code.~~ However, from the
7 eastern border of Franklin County to the Florida-Alabama line,
8 only land within 1 mile of the coast shall be subject to the
9 windborne-debris requirements adopted by the commission. The
10 exact location of wind speed lines shall be established by
11 local ordinance, using recognized physical landmarks such as
12 major roads, canals, rivers, and lake shores, wherever
13 possible. Buildings constructed in the windborne debris region
14 must be either designed for internal pressures that may result
15 inside a building when a window or door is broken or a hole is
16 created in its walls or roof by large debris, or be designed
17 with protected openings. Except in the high velocity hurricane
18 zone, local governments may not prohibit the option of
19 designing buildings to resist internal pressures.

20 Section 2. The Legislature appropriates \$200,000 from
21 the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund to the Department of
22 Financial Services to be used to develop a joint program
23 between the Florida Insurance Council and the Florida Home
24 Builders Association to educate contractors on the benefits
25 and options available for designing buildings for windborne
26 debris protection and to develop a standardized affidavit to
27 be used for verifying the insurance discounts for residential
28 construction techniques demonstrated to reduce the amount of
29 loss during a windstorm.

30 Section 3. The Florida Building Commission shall
31 evaluate the definition of "exposure category C" as currently

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1 defined in section 553.71(10), Florida Statutes, and make
 2 recommendations for a new definition that more accurately
 3 depicts Florida-specific conditions prior to the 2006 Regular
 4 Session.

5 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.
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9 And the title is amended as follows:

10 On page 1, lines 8-23, delete those lines
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12 and insert:

13 standards; providing an appropriation;
 14 requiring the Florida Building Commission to
 15 make recommendations to the Legislature;
 16 providing an effective date.
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