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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative(s) Richardson offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Between lines 821 and 822, insert:

5 Section 2. In order to mitigate the impact of rates on  
6 low-income electric ratepayers, each electric utility that  
7 recovers storm recovery costs through storm recovery bonds as  
8 provided in s. 366.8260, Florida Statutes, shall remit to the  
9 Department of Community Affairs, for the time period the utility  
10 is collecting a storm recovery charge authorized under s.  
11 366.8260, Florida Statutes, 1 percent of the annual storm  
12 recovery charge, as defined in s. 366.8260, Florida Statutes,  
13 collected pursuant to the terms of the financing order provided  
14 for under s. 366.8260,, Florida Statutes. The utility shall  
15 remit the funds to the department on a quarterly basis and the

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16 department shall deposit such funds into the Low Income Home  
 17 Energy Assistance Program Block Grant Trust Fund. The funds  
 18 received shall be allocated by the department using the same  
 19 funding formula that the department uses to distribute funds  
 20 pursuant to the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program  
 21 received from the United States Department of Health and Human  
 22 Services pursuant to 42 U.S.C. ss. 8621-8629. The funds shall be  
 23 used to mitigate the rate impact to low-income electric  
 24 ratepayers who qualify for assistance under the Low Income Home  
 25 Energy Assistance Program.

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28       Between lines 47 and 48, insert:  
 29 requiring electric utilities to remit a portion of storm  
 30 recovery charges to the Department of Community Affairs for  
 31 certain purposes; requiring the department to deposit the funds  
 32 into the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program Block Grant  
 33 Trust Fund to be used for certain purposes;