

By the Committee on Community Affairs; and Senator Constantine

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Florida Building Code;
authorizing the Florida Building Commission to
amend wind-design standards in the code;
expressly superseding a provision; providing an
effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Notwithstanding subsection (3) of section 109 of chapter 2000-141, Laws of Florida, the Florida Building Commission may update or modify the wind-design standard applicable to construction in this state as adopted within the Florida Building Code in accordance with the requirements of s. 553.73, Florida Statutes. The Florida Building Commission is specifically authorized to identify within the Florida Building Code those areas of the state from the eastern border of Franklin County west to the Florida-Alabama line which are subject to the windborne-debris requirements of the code. The Florida Building Commission's initial designation of wind lines for this region shall address the results of the study required by section 39 of chapter 2005-147, Laws of Florida. The initial designation of those areas after July 1, 2006, is subject to only the rule-adoption procedures of chapter 120, Florida Statutes, notwithstanding the code-development procedures of chapter 553, Florida Statutes. This section shall not take effect for 6 months following the completion of rulemaking or May 31, 2007, whichever occurs sooner. The provisions of subsection (3) of section 109 of chapter 2000-141, Laws of Florida, are expressly superseded.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.

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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN
COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
Senate Bill 1336

The CS specifically authorizes the Florida Building Commission to identify within the Florida Building Code those areas of the state from the eastern border of Franklin County to the Florida/Alabama line which are subject to the windborne debris requirements of the code. The Commission's initial designation of windlines for the Panhandle region must address the findings of the Florida Panhandle Windborne Debris study and is only subject to the rule adoption procedures of ch. 120, F.S., notwithstanding the code-development procedures of ch. 553, F.S. This provision shall not take effect for 6 months following the completion of rulemaking or May 31, 2007, whichever occurs sooner.