

By Senator Geller

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1 | A bill to be entitled
2 | An act relating to the classification of
3 | property; amending s. 193.461, F.S.; revising
4 | provisions governing the classification of land
5 | as agricultural for the purpose of tax
6 | assessment; providing that construction of a
7 | dwelling on part of lands used for agricultural
8 | purposes does not in itself preclude
9 | agricultural classification; prohibiting
10 | agricultural classification of land diverted to
11 | nonagricultural use as evidenced by issuance of
12 | a local building permit for a nonagricultural
13 | facility on platted land; providing an
14 | effective date.

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

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18 | Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (3) and
19 | paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 193.461, Florida
20 | Statutes, are amended to read:

21 | 193.461 Agricultural lands; classification and
22 | assessment; mandated eradication or quarantine program.--

23 | (3)

24 | (c) The construction or maintenance of a dwelling on
25 | part of the lands used for agricultural purposes shall not in
26 | itself preclude an agricultural classification.

27 | (4)(a) The ~~property appraiser shall reclassify the~~
28 | following lands shall not be entitled to the agricultural
29 | classification as nonagricultural:

30 | 1. Land diverted from an agricultural to a
31 | nonagricultural use.

1 2. Land no longer being utilized for agricultural
2 purposes.

3 3. Land diverted to nonagricultural use, as evidenced
4 by the issuance of a building permit authorizing the
5 construction of a building or facility that will not be used
6 for agricultural purposes on land that is platted ~~that has~~
7 ~~been zoned to a nonagricultural use at the request of the~~
8 ~~owner subsequent to the enactment of this law.~~

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

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SENATE SUMMARY

Revises provisions governing the classification of land as agricultural for the purpose of tax assessment. Provides that construction of a dwelling on part of lands used for agricultural purposes does not in itself preclude agricultural classification. Prohibits agricultural classification of land diverted to nonagricultural use as evidenced by issuance of a local building permit for a nonagricultural facility on platted land.