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11	Senator Dockery moved the following amendment:
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13	Senate Amendment
14	On page 33, line 6 through page 36, line 6, delete
15	those lines
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17	and insert:
18	(1) DEFINITIONSAs used in this section, unless the
19	context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the
20	following meanings:
21	(a) "Approved metering equipment" means a device
22	capable of measuring the energy output of a solar thermal
23	system either in BTU or KWH equivalents that has been approved
24	by the commission.
25	(b) "Certified" means tested by the Florida Solar
26	Energy Center to verify rated output or thermal performance.
27	(c) "Commission" means the Florida Public Service
28	Commission.
29	(d) "Interconnected" means connected to a utility's
30	electrical grid.
31	(e) "Solar photovoltaic system" means a solar energy 1 3:33 PM 04/27/06 c0888 15cm 00w

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1	system, including devices and related equipment, with a peak
2	generating capacity of 100 kilowatts or less used for
3	generating electricity for use in a residence, a place of
4	business, a publicly owned or operated facility, or a facility
5	owned or operated by a private, not-for-profit organization.
6	(f) "Solar thermal system" means a solar energy device
7	that provides domestic hot water for use in a residence, a
8	place of business, a publicly owned or operated facility, or a
9	facility owned or operated by a private, not-for-profit
10	organization.
11	(2) SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC INCENTIVE PROGRAM To the
12	extent that funds are available pursuant to subsection (2), an
13	owner or tenant of property in this state that is a residence,
14	a place of business, a publicly owned or operated facility, or
15	a facility owned or operated by a private, not-for-profit
16	organization is entitled to a rebate for expenditures made by
17	the owner or tenant for a solar photovoltaic system that is
18	installed in accordance with this subsection after July 1,
19	2006, and that will be interconnected.
20	(a) Eligibility requirements A solar photovoltaic
21	system qualifies for a rebate if:
22	1. The system is installed by a state-licensed master
23	electrician, electrical contractor, or solar contractor.
24	2. The system complies with state interconnection
25	standards as provided by the commission.
26	3. The system complies with all applicable building
27	codes as defined by the local jurisdictional authority.
28	4. The system includes minimum service and warranty
29	contracts.
30	(b) Rebate amountsThe initial rebate amount shall
31	be set at \$4 per watt and decrease by 50 cents per watt each
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1	year for 5 years. If the solar equipment is manufactured
2	within the state, the initial rebate amount shall be set at \$5
3	per watt and decrease by 50 cents per watt each year for 5
4	years. In the case of a newly constructed residence, the
5	rebate must be available to the original owner or occupant
6	using the dwelling as his or her principal residence. The
7	maximum allowable rebate per solar photovoltaic system
8	installation shall be as follows:
9	1. For a residence, \$20,000.
10	2. For a place of business, a publicly owned or
11	operated facility, or a facility owned or operated by a
12	private, not-for-profit organization, \$100,000.
13	(3) SOLAR THERMAL INCENTIVE PROGRAM To the extent
14	that funds are available pursuant to subsection (2), an owner
15	or tenant of property in this state that is a residence, a
16	place of business, a publicly owned or operated facility, or a
17	facility owned or operated by a private, not-for-profit
18	organization is entitled to a rebate for expenditures made by
19	the owner or tenant for a solar thermal system that is
20	installed in accordance with this subsection after July 1,
21	2006.
22	(a) Eligibility requirementsA solar thermal system
23	qualifies for a rebate if:
24	1. The system is installed by a state-licensed solar
25	or plumbing contractor.
26	2. The system complies with all applicable building
27	codes as defined by the local jurisdictional authority.
28	3. The system includes minimum service and warranty
29	contracts.
30	(b) Rebate amounts Authorized rebates for
31	installation of solar thermal systems shall be as follows:
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1	1. For a residence, the rebate amount is \$300. If the
2	solar collector is manufactured within the state, the rebate
3	amount is \$500.
4	2. For a place of business, a publicly owned or
5	operated facility, or a facility owned or operated by a
6	private, not-for-profit organization, the rebate amount is \$15
7	per 1,000 BTU as certified by the Florida Solar Energy Center.
8	The maximum rebate amount is \$5,000. An approved metering
9	system is required.
10	(4) RULES
11	(a) The commission shall adopt rules pursuant to ss.
12	120.536(1) and 120.54 necessary to amend current
13	interconnection standards for solar energy systems up to 100
14	<u>kilowatts.</u>
15	(b) The department shall adopt rules pursuant to ss.
16	120.536(1) and 120.54 necessary to implement the Florida
17	Renewable Energy Technologies and Energy Efficiency Act,
18	including the administration of grants and incentives.
19	(5) PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATION The Florida Solar
20	Energy Center shall certify the performance of solar equipment
21	sold and installed in the state in accordance with this
22	section and s. 377.705.
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