

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to temporary buildings; amending s.  
 3           553.37, F.S.; considering certain buildings as temporary;  
 4           extending the certificate of occupancy for a temporary  
 5           building for a limited time; providing foundation  
 6           requirements for such buildings; exempting such buildings  
 7           from soil and foundation requirements of the Florida  
 8           Building Code; providing exceptions; requiring the Florida  
 9           Building Commission to define certain terms and provide  
 10          certain standards and criteria within the Florida Building  
 11          Code for temporary structures or buildings; requiring the  
 12          commission to adopt such standards and criteria by a  
 13          specified time; providing an effective date.

14  
 15 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

16  
 17           Section 1. Subsection (12) is added to section 553.37,  
 18 Florida Statutes, to read:

19           553.37 Rules; inspections; and insignia.--

20           (12) Any modular building, manufactured building, or  
 21 factory-built building, regardless of the occupancy type, that  
 22 meets the requirements of this part and does not exceed a  
 23 maximum of 24 months' occupancy from the date of the certificate  
 24 of occupancy is considered temporary. The certificate of  
 25 occupancy for a temporary building may be extended for an  
 26 additional 24 months. Such temporary building shall use a  
 27 temporary foundation design that meets or exceeds the wind load

28 | capacity of the building and the soil bearing capacity of the  
29 | building location and shall be exempt from the soil and  
30 | foundation requirements of the Florida Building Code. If the  
31 | occupancy length of such building is greater than 48 months, or  
32 | if the building is located in a flood zone, the building is  
33 | considered a permanent structure and shall comply with all  
34 | requirements of the Florida Building Code, unless otherwise  
35 | exempted.

36 |       Section 2. The Florida Building Commission shall define  
37 | within the Florida Building Code the terms "temporary  
38 | manufactured structures" and "temporary manufactured buildings"  
39 | as structures and buildings that are used for a period of 2  
40 | years or less. The commission shall also provide within the  
41 | Florida Building Code standards and criteria for installation of  
42 | temporary buildings and structures that account for their  
43 | temporary use and that ensure the safety of occupants, the cost  
44 | of the foundation designs, and the integrity of the building's  
45 | installation. The standards and criteria shall not discriminate  
46 | against materials, products, methods, and systems of  
47 | construction of demonstrated capabilities. The commission shall  
48 | also develop criteria for a 2-year extension of the period of  
49 | time that a temporary structure or building can be used upon  
50 | application of the possessor of the structure or building and  
51 | inspection by the authority having jurisdiction. The commission  
52 | shall adopt these standards and criteria into the Florida  
53 | Building Code, and the standards shall take effect not later  
54 | than July 1, 2008.

55 | Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law. |