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## CHAMBER ACTION

The Transportation Committee recommends the following:

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## Council/Committee Substitute

Remove the entire bill and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to a motor vehicle safety pilot program; requiring certain limited access facilities that are adjacent to a canal or other water body to have a system of guardrails, retention cables, or other barriers between the highway and the canal or water body; providing for the Department of Transportation to establish certain standards governing the installation and maintenance of the barriers; requiring that barriers be installed for existing highways by a specified date; providing for future review and repeal; providing an effective date.

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

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Section 1. <u>Barrier required between a highway and a canal</u> or a water body.--

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(1) Each limited access facility in Miami-Dade County that is adjacent to a canal or other water body must have a system of guardrails, retention cables, or other barriers between the

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highway and the canal or water body which are installed and maintained in conformance with standards established by the Florida Department of Transportation. The standards should consider loss of life by safely preventing out-of-control motor vehicles from entering the canal or water body, as well as the width or depth of the canal or water body or its proximity to the traveled way of the highway.

- (2) For a limited access facility in existence on July 1, 2006, the barriers required under this section must be installed on or before December 31, 2009.
- (3) This pilot program shall stand repealed December 31, 2011, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through enactment by the Legislature.
  - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.