

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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Representatives Kendrick and Mayfield offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 149 and 150, insert:

Section 6. Subsection (5) of section 259.1052, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

259.1052 Babcock Crescent B Ranch Florida Forever acquisition; conditions for purchase.--

(5) The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall be the lead managing agencies responsible for the management of Babcock Crescent B Ranch. This duty shall expire upon the adoption of the comprehensive business plan pursuant to s. 259.1053(11), and management responsibilities shall apply to Babcock Ranch Management, LLC, and, subsequently, Babcock Ranch, Inc.

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17 Section 7. Paragraph (f) of subsection (10) of section
18 259.1053, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (g), a
19 new paragraph (f) is added to that subsection, and paragraphs
20 (c) and (d) are added to subsection (13) of that section, to
21 read:

22 259.1053 Babcock Ranch Preserve; Babcock Ranch, Inc.;
23 creation; membership; organization; meetings.--

24 (10) OPERATING FUND, ANNUAL BUDGET, AUDIT, REPORTING
25 REQUIREMENTS.--

26 (f) The Legislature may annually appropriate funds from
27 the Land Acquisition Trust Fund for use as state matching funds
28 in conjunction with private donations in aggregates of at least
29 \$60,000 matched by \$40,000 of state funds for a total minimum
30 project amount of \$100,000 for capital improvement facility
31 development at the ranch at either individually designated
32 locations or for priority projects within the overall ranch
33 system. Babcock Ranch, Inc., is authorized to properly recognize
34 and honor a private donor by placing a plaque or other
35 appropriate designation noting the contribution on project
36 facilities or by naming project facilities after the person or
37 organization that provided the matching funds.

38 (13) MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.--

39 (c) For the purpose of ensuring financial sustainability
40 on the ranch and notwithstanding any management agreement to the
41 contrary, activities relating to agriculture as defined in s.
42 570.02 shall not be prohibited or restricted except by general
43 law. However, except in cases of salvage operations or invasive
44 exotic control, no cypress tree measuring more than 30 inches in
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45 diameter at breast height may be harvested. Harvested areas
46 shall be limited to no more than 100 acres per harvest tract.

47 (d) Until the management plan is adopted, hunting for the
48 purposes of reasonable wildlife population and habitat
49 management shall be allowed on the preserve. Such purposes shall
50 include prevention of overgrazing, disease, and overpopulation.
51 All hunting shall be conducted pursuant to commission rules and
52 regulations; however, Babcock Ranch Management, LLC, and,
53 subsequently, Babcock Ranch, Inc., shall have the authority to
54 charge access fees to the general public. Special opportunity
55 hunts for persons with disabilities and those under 18 years of
56 age shall be a priority. Hunting shall be equivalent in purpose
57 to any other recreational use on the preserve.

58 Section 8. Section 259.10521, Florida Statutes, is
59 repealed.

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61 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

62 Remove line 20 and insert:

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64 amending s. 259.1052, F.S.; providing that the Fish
65 and Wildlife Conservation Commission and the
66 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
67 management responsibilities for Babcock Crescent B
68 Ranch shall expire upon the adoption of a
69 comprehensive business plan; providing for the
70 application of management responsibilities to Babcock
71 Ranch Management, LLC, and, subsequently, Babcock
72 Ranch, Inc.; amending s. 259.1053, F.S.; authorizing

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73 the Legislature to appropriate funds from the Land
74 Acquisition Trust Fund for use as state matching funds
75 for capital improvement facility development;
76 authorizing the placement of designations recognizing
77 private donors at ranch facilities; specifying that
78 certain activities relating to agriculture are not
79 prohibited or restricted; prohibiting the harvesting
80 of certain cypress trees; limiting the acreage for
81 certain harvesting areas; authorizing hunting on the
82 preserve under certain conditions; requiring such
83 hunting to be conducted under commission rules and
84 regulations; authorizing hunting access fees for the
85 general public; specifying that hunts for certain
86 persons are a priority; providing purpose for hunting
87 activities; repealing s. 259.10521, F.S., relating to
88 a citizen support organization for and use of property
89 of the Babcock Crescent B Ranch; providing an
90 effective date.