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11 Senator Saunders moved the following amendment:

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13 **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

14 On page 1, between lines 15 and 16,

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16 insert:

17 Section 1. (1)(a) The Legislature finds that man-made  
 18 carbon dioxide produced by the burning of fossil fuels is a  
 19 leading contributor to global climate change and the leading  
 20 global-warming pollutant released in this country and finds  
 21 that the ability to develop a process to address possible  
 22 solutions to the risks of climate change will enable the state  
 23 to have a greater influence in eventual climate-change-policy  
 24 determinations at the regional and national level and ensure  
 25 that industry in this state is in the best position to benefit  
 26 from future actions addressing climate change.

27 (b) The Legislature finds that this state is  
 28 particularly vulnerable to the possible effects of global  
 29 climate change due to the low elevation of its 1,300 miles of  
 30 coastline, susceptible to more intense hurricanes, the effect  
 31 of drought conditions on the state's unique environment, and

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1 the spread of infectious disease to vulnerable populations.

2 (c) The Legislature further recognizes that every  
3 state official dealing with climate change problems should  
4 have current and reliable information.

5 (2) It is the policy of this state to:

6 (a) Play a leading role in assessing the potential  
7 effects of global climate change in this state and the  
8 southeastern United States.

9 (b) Develop and promote market-based and other  
10 private-sector emissions-reduction approaches in all sectors  
11 of this state's economy, including the trading of carbon  
12 emission credits and the creation of offsets for energy  
13 savings.

14 (c) Encourage the research, development,  
15 demonstration, and application of climate-change initiatives  
16 through a cooperative dialogue about what needs to be done  
17 within our state to comply with proposed federal limits that  
18 would lower carbon emissions in the atmosphere over time.

19 (d) Seek to identify and create incentives for  
20 technology and innovation, take advantage of economic  
21 opportunities for the state as part of the effort to find new  
22 sources of energy, and seek private-sector solutions and  
23 market-based mechanisms to help solve problems related to  
24 reducing carbon emissions.

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26 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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30 And the title is amended as follows:

31 On page 1, line 2, after the semicolon,

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3           state's policy;

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