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Senator Bennett moved the following amendment:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

On page 2, between lines 9 & 10,

insert:

Section 35. Research and demonstration cellulosic ethanol plant.--

(1) There shall be constructed a multifaceted research and demonstration cellulosic ethanol plant designed to conduct research and to demonstrate and advance the commercialization of cellulose-to-ethanol technology, including technology licensed from the University of Florida, and to facilitate further research and testing of multiple cellulosic feedstocks in the state.

(2) The University of Florida shall act as the owner and proprietor of the facility, which shall include a permanent research and development laboratory operated as a satellite facility of the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences at the University of Florida. This facility shall be used to convert the initially treated material to the final

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1 ethanol product.

2       (3) The facility shall be located near an industrial  
3 site with infrastructure already developed to avoid or reduce  
4 significant capital costs for waste treatment and roads, shall  
5 be served by a range of suppliers and transportation  
6 companies, and shall be in good proximity to gasoline and  
7 ethanol blending facilities on either coast of the state. The  
8 industrial site shall have the capacity to provide steam and  
9 electric power, waste treatment, and a steady stream of  
10 feedstocks, including, but not limited to, bagasse, woody  
11 biomass, and cane field residues, to allow a commercial scale  
12 plant to operate year around.

13       (4) The facility shall be located near preexisting  
14 onsite technical support staff and other resources for  
15 electrical, mechanical, and instrumentation services. In  
16 addition, the facility shall have access to preexisting onsite  
17 laboratory facilities and scientific personnel and shall  
18 include the critical aspects of connecting to existing  
19 facilities and meeting construction codes and permit  
20 requirements.

21       (5) There shall be a scientific and technical advisory  
22 panel to advise on the technology to be applied.

23       (6) Subject to the rights of any third parties arising  
24 under any licenses granted by the university or its affiliates  
25 prior to the effective date of this act, ownership of all  
26 patents, copyrights, trademarks, licenses, and rights or  
27 interests shall vest in the university on behalf of the state.  
28 The university, pursuant to s. 1004.23, Florida Statutes,  
29 shall have the right to use and the right to retain derived  
30 revenues subject to the continuing approval of the  
31 Legislature.

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1       (7) The Senior Vice President for the Institute of  
 2 Food and Agricultural Sciences at the University of Florida  
 3 shall ensure that applicable, nonproprietary research results  
 4 and technologies from the plant authorized under this  
 5 initiative are adapted, made available, and disseminated  
 6 through its respective services, as appropriate.

7       (8) Within 2 years after enactment of this act, the  
 8 Senior Vice President for the Institute of Food and  
 9 Agricultural Sciences at the University of Florida shall  
 10 submit to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the  
 11 House of Representatives a report on the activities conducted  
 12 under this section.

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16 And the title is amended as follows:

17           On page 1, line 12, after the semicolon,

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19 insert:

20           providing for the construction and operation of  
 21           a research and demonstration cellulosic ethanol  
 22           plant; providing requirements and procedures  
 23           therefor;

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