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CHAMBER ACTION

<u>Senate</u>	.	<u>House</u>
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3/13/2008	.	
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1 The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation
 2 (Saunders) recommended the following **amendment to amendment**
 3 **(866008)** :

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between line(s) 298-299

insert:

Section 5. Section 212.0802, Florida Statutes, is created
to read:

212.0802 Exemption for energy efficient products.--

(1) The sales tax levied under this chapter may not be
collected from 12:01 a.m., October 6, 2008, through midnight,
October 12, 2008, and from 12:01 a.m., March 2, 2009, through
midnight, March 8, 2009, on the sale of a new energy-efficient

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16 product having a selling price of \$1,500 or less per product.
 17 This exemption applies only to energy-efficient products
 18 purchased for noncommercial home or personal use and does not
 19 apply to products purchased for trade, business, or resale. As
 20 used in this section, the term "energy-efficient product" means
 21 a dishwasher, clothes washer, air conditioner, ceiling fan,
 22 compact fluorescent light bulb, dehumidifier, programmable
 23 thermostat, or refrigerator that has been designated by the
 24 United States Environmental Protection Agency or by the United
 25 States Department of Energy as meeting or exceeding the
 26 requirements under the Energy Star Program of either agency.
 27 Purchases made under this section may not be made using a
 28 business or company credit or debit card or check. Any
 29 construction company, building contractor, or commercial
 30 business or entity that purchases or attempts to purchase the
 31 energy-efficient products subject to this exemption is liable
 32 for a civil penalty under s. 501.2075 for a violation of s.
 33 501.204.

34 (2) The weeks beginning October 6, 2008, and March 2,
 35 2009, shall each be designated as "Energy Efficiency and
 36 Conservation Weeks."

37 (3) The department may adopt rules to administer this
 38 section.

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41 And the title is amended as follows:

42 On line(s) 2004, after the semicolon,
 43 insert:

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44 creating s. 212.0802, F.S.; providing a limited period
45 during which the sale of certain energy-efficient products
46 for noncommercial or personal use is exempt from sales
47 tax; prohibiting the purchase of products by certain
48 payment methods; providing that certain purchases or
49 attempts to purchase are unfair methods of competition and
50 punishable as such; designating certain weeks in October
51 2008 and March 2009 as "Energy Efficiency and Conservation
52 Weeks"; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt
53 rules;