CHAMBER ACTION

<u>Senate</u> <u>House</u>

Representative Mayfield offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendment)

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Remove lines 691-848 and insert:

6 7 3. The <u>Florida Energy and Climate Commission</u> Department of Environmental Protection shall provide to the department a list of items eligible for the exemption provided in this paragraph.

The exemption provided in this paragraph shall be

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available to a purchaser only through a refund of previously paid taxes. An eligible item is subject to refund one time. A

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person who has received a refund on an eligible item shall notify the next purchaser of the item that such item is no

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longer eligible for a refund of paid taxes. This notification

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shall be provided to each subsequent purchaser on the sales invoice or other proof of purchase.

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- b. To be eligible to receive the exemption provided in this paragraph, a purchaser shall file an application with the Florida Energy and Climate Commission Department of Environmental Protection. The application shall be developed by the Florida Energy and Climate Commission Department of Environmental Protection, in consultation with the department, and shall require:
- (I) The name and address of the person claiming the refund.
- (II) A specific description of the purchase for which a refund is sought, including, when applicable, a serial number or other permanent identification number.
- (III) The sales invoice or other proof of purchase showing the amount of sales tax paid, the date of purchase, and the name and address of the sales tax dealer from whom the property was purchased.
- (IV) A sworn statement that the information provided is accurate and that the requirements of this paragraph have been met.
- c. Within 30 days after receipt of an application, the Florida Energy and Climate Commission Department of Environmental Protection shall review the application and shall notify the applicant of any deficiencies. Upon receipt of a completed application, the Florida Energy and Climate Commission Department of Environmental Protection shall evaluate the application for exemption and issue a written certification that the applicant is eligible for a refund or issue a written denial of such certification within 60 days after receipt of the 635779

- application. The Florida Energy and Climate Commission

 Department of Environmental Protection shall provide the department with a copy of each certification issued upon approval of an application.
- d. Each certified applicant shall be responsible for forwarding a certified copy of the application and copies of all required documentation to the department within 6 months after certification by the Florida Energy and Climate Commission

 Department of Environmental Protection.
- e. The provisions of s. 212.095 do not apply to any refund application made pursuant to this paragraph. A refund approved pursuant to this paragraph shall be made within 30 days after formal approval by the department.
- f. The Florida Energy and Climate Commission may adopt the form for the application for a certificate, requirements for the content and format of information submitted to the Florida

 Energy and Climate Commission in support of the application, other procedural requirements, and criteria by which the application will be determined by rule. The department may adopt all other rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to administer this paragraph, including rules establishing additional forms and procedures for claiming this exemption.
- g. The <u>Florida Energy and Climate Commission</u> Department of Environmental Protection shall be responsible for ensuring that the total amounts of the exemptions authorized do not exceed the limits as specified in subparagraph 2.
- 5. The Florida Energy and Climate Commission Department of Environmental Protection shall determine and publish on a 635779 4/24/2008 12:52 PM

regular basis the amount of sales tax funds remaining in each fiscal year.

- 6. This paragraph expires July 1, 2010.
- Section 9. Present subsections (1), (3), (6), and (7) of section 220.192, Florida Statutes, are amended, and a new subsection (6) is added to that section, to read:
- 220.192 Renewable energy technologies investment tax credit.--
 - (1) DEFINITIONS.--For purposes of this section, the term:
- (a) "Biodiesel" means biodiesel as defined in s.
 212.08(7)(ccc).
- (b) "Corporation" includes a general partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company, unincorporated business, or other business entity, including entities taxed as partnerships for federal income tax purposes.
 - (c) (b) "Eligible costs" means:
- 1. Seventy-five percent of all capital costs, operation and maintenance costs, and research and development costs incurred between July 1, 2006, and June 30, 2010, up to a limit of \$3 million per state fiscal year for all taxpayers, in connection with an investment in hydrogen-powered vehicles and hydrogen vehicle fueling stations in the state, including, but not limited to, the costs of constructing, installing, and equipping such technologies in the state.
- 2. Seventy-five percent of all capital costs, operation and maintenance costs, and research and development costs incurred between July 1, 2006, and June 30, 2010, up to a limit of \$1.5 million per state fiscal year for all taxpayers, and 635779

limited to a maximum of \$12,000 per fuel cell, in connection with an investment in commercial stationary hydrogen fuel cells in the state, including, but not limited to, the costs of constructing, installing, and equipping such technologies in the state.

- 3. Seventy-five percent of all capital costs, operation and maintenance costs, and research and development costs incurred between July 1, 2006, and June 30, 2010, up to a limit of \$6.5 million per state fiscal year for all taxpayers, in connection with an investment in the production, storage, and distribution of biodiesel (B10-B100) and ethanol (E10-E100) in the state, including the costs of constructing, installing, and equipping such technologies in the state. Gasoline fueling station pump retrofits for ethanol (E10-E100) distribution qualify as an eligible cost under this subparagraph.
- $\underline{\text{(d)}}_{\text{(c)}}$ "Ethanol" means ethanol as defined in s. 212.08(7)(ccc).
- $\underline{\text{(e)}}$ "Hydrogen fuel cell" means hydrogen fuel cell as defined in s. 212.08(7)(ccc).
- (f) "Taxpayer" includes a corporation as defined in paragraph (b) or s. 220.03.
- (3) CORPORATE APPLICATION PROCESS.--Any corporation wishing to obtain tax credits available under this section must submit to the <u>Florida Energy and Climate Commission Department of Environmental Protection</u> an application for tax credit that includes a complete description of all eligible costs for which the corporation is seeking a credit and a description of the total amount of credits sought. The <u>Florida Energy and Climate</u> 635779

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Commission Department of Environmental Protection shall make a determination on the eligibility of the applicant for the credits sought and certify the determination to the applicant and the Department of Revenue. The corporation must attach the Florida Energy and Climate Commission's Department of Environmental Protection's certification to the tax return on which the credit is claimed. The Florida Energy and Climate Commission Department of Environmental Protection shall be responsible for ensuring that the corporate income tax credits granted in each fiscal year do not exceed the limits provided for in this section. The Florida Energy and Climate Commission Department of Environmental Protection is authorized to adopt the necessary rules, guidelines, and application materials for the application process.

- (6) TRANSFERABILITY OF CREDIT. --
- For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2009, any corporation or subsequent transferee allowed a tax credit under this section may transfer the credit, in whole or in part, to any taxpayer by written agreement without transferring any ownership interest in the property generating the credit or any interest in the entity owning such property. The transferee is entitled to apply the credits against the tax with the same effect as if the transferee had incurred the eligible costs.
- To perfect the transfer, the transferor shall provide (b) the department with a written transfer statement notifying the department of the transferor's intent to transfer the tax credits to the transferee; the date the transfer is effective; the transferee's name, address, and federal taxpayer 635779

identification number; the tax period; and the amount of tax credits to be transferred. The department shall, upon receipt of a transfer statement conforming to the requirements of this section, provide the transferee with a certificate reflecting the tax credit amounts transferred. A copy of the certificate must be attached to each tax return for which the transferee seeks to apply such tax credits.

- (c) A tax credit authorized under this section that is held by a corporation and not transferred under this subsection shall be passed through to the taxpayers designated as partners, members, or owners, respectively, in the manner agreed to by such persons regardless of whether such partners, members, or owners are allocated or allowed any portion of the federal energy tax credit for the eligible costs. A corporation that passes the credit through to a partner, member, or owner must comply with the notification requirements described in paragraph (b). The partner, member, or owner must attach a copy of the certificate to each tax return on which the partner, member, or owner claims any portion of the credit.
- (7) (6) RULES.--The Department of Revenue shall have the authority to adopt rules <u>pursuant to ss. 120.536(1)</u> and 120.54 to administer this section, including rules relating to:
- (a) The forms required to claim a tax credit under this section, the requirements and basis for establishing an entitlement to a credit, and the examination and audit procedures required to administer this section.
- (b) The implementation and administration of the provisions allowing a transfer of a tax credit, including rules

prescribing forms, reporting requirements, and specific
procedures, guidelines, and requirements necessary to transfer a
tax credit.

(8) (7) PUBLICATION. -- The Florida Energy and Climate Commission Department of Environmental Protection shall determine and publish on a regular basis the

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TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove lines 34-43 and insert:

limited to one refund; requiring a person who receives a refund to notify a subsequent purchaser of such refund; transferring certain duties and responsibilities from the Department of Environmental Protection to the Florida Energy and Climate Commission; requiring the Florida Energy and Climate Commission to adopt, by rule, an application form for claiming a tax exemption; amending s. 220.192, F.S.; defining terms related to a tax credit; allowing the tax credit to be transferred for a specified period; providing procedures and requirements; requiring the Department of Revenue to adopt rules for implementation and administration of the program; transferring certain duties and responsibilities from the Department of Environmental Protection to the Florida Energy and Climate Commission; amending s. 220.193, F.S.; defining the terms