

By Senator Margolis

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to the assessment of residential property;
3 creating s. 193.624, F.S.; prohibiting an increase in the
4 assessed value of residential property solely as the
5 result of installing and operating a renewable energy
6 source device or improving the property's resistance to
7 wind damage; providing a contingent effective date.
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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11 Section 1. Section 193.624, Florida Statutes, is created to
12 read:

13 193.624 Assessment of residential property.--The assessed
14 value of residential property may not be increased solely as the
15 result of:

16 (1) The installation and operation of a renewable energy
17 source device.

18 (2) Changes, additions, or improvements made for the
19 purpose of improving the property's resistance to wind damage.

20 Such improvements include:

21 (a) Improving the strength of the roof deck attachment.

22 (b) Creating a secondary water barrier to prevent water
23 intrusion.

24 (c) Installing hurricane-resistant shingles.

25 (d) Installing gable-end bracing.

26 (e) Reinforcing roof-to-wall connections.

27 (f) Installing storm shutters.

28 (g) Installing impact-resistant glazing.

29 (h) Installing hurricane-resistant doors.

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30 Section 2. This act shall take effect on the effective date
31 of the amendment to the State Constitution contained in Senate
32 Joint Resolution ____, or a similar constitutional amendment
33 relating to limitations on an increase in the assessed value of
34 property used for residential purposes, but this act shall not
35 take effect unless Senate Joint Resolution ____, or a similar
36 constitutional amendment, is approved by a vote of at least 60
37 percent of the electors of this state.