1   A bill to be entitled

2   An act relating to the Florida Energy and Climate

3   Commission; requiring the Florida Energy and Climate

4   Commission to prepare a report on energy efficiency with

5   respect to low-income households and rental housing

6   properties to be submitted to the Legislature by a

7   specified date; providing report requirements; providing

8   an effective date.

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10   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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12   Section 1.   (1) The Florida Energy and Climate Commission

13   shall prepare a report that:

14   (a)   Identifies methods of increasing energy-efficiency

15   practices among low-income households as described in ss.

16   420.9071 and 421.03, Florida Statutes. The commission shall, at

17   a minimum, identify energy-efficiency programs currently offered

18   to low-income households by community action agencies,

19   community-based organizations, and utility companies in this

20   state and similar programs offered to low-income households in

21   other states.

22   (b)   Determines the statewide impact of improving the level

23   of energy efficiency of rental housing properties, including,

24   but not limited to, the environmental benefits of the

25   improvements and the potential fiscal impact on property

26   tenants, owners, and landlords and the economy. The commission

27   shall consider the relative equity and economic efficiency of

28   the cost share for such energy-efficiency improvements.

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29   (c)   Provides recommendations to effect more energy-

30   efficiency practices among low-income household residents.

31   (2)   The commission shall submit the report to the

32   President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of

33   Representatives by December 1, 2009.

34   Section 2.   This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.

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