

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the energy-efficient appliance rebate
 3 program; creating s. 377.807, F.S.; authorizing the
 4 Florida Energy and Climate Commission to develop and
 5 administer a consumer rebate program for specified energy-
 6 efficient appliances; authorizing the commission to adopt
 7 rules; authorizing the commission to enter into contracts
 8 or memoranda of agreement with other agencies of the
 9 state, public-private partnerships, and other arrangements
 10 for specified purposes; providing an appropriation;
 11 providing requirements for the release of the
 12 appropriation; providing an effective date.

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

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 16 Section 1. Section 377.807, Florida Statutes, is created
 17 to read:

18 377.807 Energy-efficient appliance rebate program.--

19 (1) The Florida Energy and Climate Commission is
 20 authorized to develop and administer a consumer rebate program
 21 for residential energy-efficient appliances, consistent with 42
 22 U.S.C. s. 15821 and any federal agency guidance or regulations
 23 issued in furtherance of federal law.

24 (2) The commission may adopt rules pursuant to ss.
 25 120.536(1) and 120.54 designating eligible appliances, rebate
 26 amounts, and the administration of the issuance of rebates. The
 27 rules shall be consistent with 42 U.S.C. s. 15821 and any
 28 subsequent implementing federal regulations or guidance.

29 (3) The commission is authorized to enter into contracts
30 or memoranda of agreement with other agencies of the state,
31 public-private partnerships, or other arrangements such that the
32 most efficient means of administering consumer rebates can be
33 achieved.

34 Section 2. For the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the sum of
35 \$150,000 is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the
36 Florida Energy and Climate Commission for the purpose of
37 administering the energy-efficient appliance rebate program;
38 however, the funds shall not be released to the commission until
39 it has submitted a report to the Legislative Budget Commission
40 certifying that the energy-efficient appliance rebate program
41 complies with 42 U.S.C. s. 15821 and any subsequent implementing
42 federal regulations and that the state will receive funds
43 pursuant to 42 U.S.C. s. 15821 and the American Recovery and
44 Reinvestment Act of 2009 to implement the energy-efficient
45 appliance rebate program.

46 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.