

By Senator Joyner

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to the Florida Energy and Climate  
3           Commission; requiring the commission to prepare a  
4           report that identifies ways in which to increase the  
5           energy-efficiency practices of low-income households;  
6           requiring the report to include certain determinations  
7           and recommendations; requiring that the report be  
8           submitted to the Legislature by a specified date;  
9           providing an effective date.

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

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13           Section 1. (1) The Florida Energy and Climate Commission  
14 shall prepare a report that:

15           (a) Identifies methods of increasing energy-efficiency  
16 practices among low-income households as defined in s. 420.9071,  
17 Florida Statutes. The commission shall, at a minimum, identify  
18 energy-efficiency programs that are currently offered to low-  
19 income households by community action agencies, community-based  
20 organizations, and utility companies in this state and similar  
21 programs that are offered to low-income households in other  
22 states.

23           (b) Determines the statewide impact of improving the level  
24 of the energy efficiency of rental housing stock, including, but  
25 not limited to, the environmental benefits of the improvements  
26 and the potential fiscal impact with respect to property  
27 tenants, owners, and landlords and to the economy. The  
28 commission shall consider the relative equity and economic  
29 efficiency of the cost share for such energy-efficiency

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30 improvements.

31 (c) Provides recommendations for implementing energy-  
32 efficiency practices among residents of low-income households.

33 (2) The commission shall submit the report to the President  
34 of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by  
35 December 1, 2009.

36 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.