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Senator Smith moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with directory and title amendments)

Between lines 238 and 239

insert:

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5 (5) The State Office on Homelessness, with the concurrence 6 of the Council on Homelessness, may administer moneys 7 appropriated to it to provide homeless housing assistance grants 8 annually to lead agencies for local homeless assistance 9 continuum of care, as recognized by the State Office on 10 Homelessness, to <u>acquire</u>, construct, or rehabilitate transitional or permanent housing units for homeless persons. 11 These moneys shall consist of any sums that the state may 12

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13 appropriate, as well as money received from donations, gifts, 14 bequests, or otherwise from any public or private source, which 15 money is intended to <u>acquire</u>, construct, or rehabilitate 16 transitional or permanent housing units for homeless persons.

17 (a) Grant applicants shall be ranked competitively. Preference must be given to applicants who leverage additional 18 private funds and public funds, particularly federal funds 19 designated for the acquisition, construction, or and 20 21 rehabilitation of transitional or permanent housing for homeless 22 persons; , who acquire, build, or rehabilitate the greatest 23 number of units;  $_{\tau}$  and who acquire, build, or rehabilitate in 24 catchment areas having the greatest need for housing for the 25 homeless relative to the population of the catchment area.

26 (b) Funding for any particular project may not exceed 27 \$750,000.

(c) Projects must reserve, for a minimum of 10 years, the number of units <u>acquired</u>, constructed, or rehabilitated through homeless housing assistance grant funding to serve persons who are homeless at the time they assume tenancy.

32 (d) No more than two grants may be awarded annually in any 33 given local homeless assistance continuum of care catchment 34 area.

(e) A project may not be funded which is not included in the local homeless assistance continuum of care plan, as recognized by the State Office on Homelessness, for the catchment area in which the project is located.

(f) The maximum percentage of funds that the State Office on Homelessness and each applicant may spend on administrative costs is 5 percent. Florida Senate - 2009 Bill No. CS/HB 597, 1st Eng.

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43	===== DIRECTORY CLAUSE AMENDMENT ======
44	And the directory clause is amended as follows:
45	Delete line 209
46	and insert:
47	Section 4. Subsections (2), (5), and (9) of section
48	420.622,
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51	And the title is amended as follows:
52	Delete line 17
53	and insert:
54	on the council; authorizing the agencies that provide
55	a local homeless assistance continuum of care to use
56	homeless housing assistance grants, provided by the
57	State Office on Homelessness within the Department of
58	Children and Family Services, to acquire transitional
59	or permanent housing units for homeless persons;
60	revising the date of an annual report;