

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 that the commission prepare a  
4           report identifying ways to increase the energy-  
5           efficiency practices of low-income households;  
6           requiring that the report include certain  
7           determinations and recommendations; requiring that the  
8           commission submit the report to the Legislature by a  
9           specified date; 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 on property tenants, owners, and  
27 landlords and the economy. The commission shall consider the  
28 relative equity and economic efficiency of the cost share for  
29 such energy-efficiency improvements.

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

32           (2) The commission shall submit the report to the President  
33 of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by  
34 December 1, 2010.

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