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A bill to be entitled
 An act relating to public health; amending s.
 381.0065, F.S.; delaying the implementation date of
 provisions requiring the Department of Health to
 administer an onsite sewage treatment and disposal
 system evaluation program; providing an effective
 date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section
 381.0065, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

381.0065 Onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems;
 regulation.—

(5) EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT.—

(a) Beginning July ~~January~~ 1, 2011, the department shall
 administer an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system
 evaluation program for the purpose of assessing the fundamental
 operational condition of systems and identifying any failures
 within the systems. The department shall adopt rules
 implementing the program standards, procedures, and
 requirements, including, but not limited to, a schedule for a 5-
 year evaluation cycle, requirements for the pump-out of a system
 or repair of a failing system, enforcement procedures for
 failure of a system owner to obtain an evaluation of the system,
 and failure of a contractor to timely submit evaluation results
 to the department and the system owner. The department shall
 ensure statewide implementation of the evaluation and assessment
 program by January 1, 2016.

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