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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to growth management; reenacting s. 1,  
3           chapter 2009-96, Laws of Florida, relating to a short  
4           title; reenacting s. 163.3164(29) and (34), F.S.,  
5           relating to the definition of "urban service area" and  
6           "dense urban land area" for purposes of the Local  
7           Government Comprehensive Planning and Land Development  
8           Regulation Act; reenacting s. 163.3177(3)(b) and (f),  
9           (6)(h), and (12)(a) and (j), F.S., relating to certain  
10          required and optional elements of a comprehensive  
11          plan; reenacting s. 163.3180(5), (10), and (13)(b) and  
12          (e), F.S., relating to concurrency requirements for  
13          transportation facilities; reenacting s.  
14          163.31801(3)(d), F.S., relating to a required notice  
15          for a new or increased impact fee; reenacting s.  
16          163.3184(1)(b) and (3)(e), F.S., relating to the  
17          process for adopting a comprehensive plan or plan  
18          amendment; reenacting s. 163.3187(1)(b), (f), and (q),  
19          F.S., relating to amendments to a comprehensive plan;  
20          reenacting s. 163.32465(2), F.S., relating to a pilot  
21          program to provide an alternative to the state review  
22          process for local comprehensive plans; reenacting s.  
23          171.091, F.S., relating to the recording of any change  
24          in municipal boundaries; reenacting s. 186.509, F.S.,  
25          relating to a dispute resolution process for  
26          reconciling differences concerning planning and growth  
27          management issues; reenacting s. 380.06(7)(a), (24),  
28          (28), and (29), F.S., relating to certain exemptions  
29          from review provided for proposed developments of

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30 regional impact; reenacting ss. 13, 14, and 34 of  
31 chapter 2009-96, Laws of Florida, relating to a study  
32 and report concerning a mobility fee, the extension  
33 and renewal of certain permits issued by the  
34 Department of Environmental Protection or a water  
35 management district, and a statement of important  
36 state interest; providing a legislative finding of  
37 important state interest; providing for retroactive  
38 operation of the act with respect to provisions of law  
39 amended or created by chapter 2009-96, Laws of  
40 Florida; providing for an exception under specified  
41 circumstances; providing an effective date.

42  
43 WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature enacted Senate Bill 360 in  
44 2009 for important public policy purposes, and

45 WHEREAS, litigation has called into question the  
46 constitutional validity of this important piece of legislation,  
47 and

48 WHEREAS, the Legislature wishes to protect those who relied  
49 on the changes made by Senate Bill 360 and to preserve the  
50 Florida Statutes intact and cure any alleged constitutional  
51 violation, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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55 Section 1. Section 1 of chapter 2009-96, Laws of Florida,  
56 is reenacted to read:

57 Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Community Renewal  
58 Act."

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59 Section 2. Subsections (29) and (34) of section 163.3164,  
60 Florida Statutes, are reenacted to read:

61 163.3164 Local Government Comprehensive Planning and Land  
62 Development Regulation Act; definitions.—As used in this act:

63 (29) "Urban service area" means built-up areas where public  
64 facilities and services, including, but not limited to, central  
65 water and sewer capacity and roads, are already in place or are  
66 committed in the first 3 years of the capital improvement  
67 schedule. In addition, for counties that qualify as dense urban  
68 land areas under subsection (34), the nonrural area of a county  
69 which has adopted into the county charter a rural area  
70 designation or areas identified in the comprehensive plan as  
71 urban service areas or urban growth boundaries on or before July  
72 1, 2009, are also urban service areas under this definition.

73 (34) "Dense urban land area" means:

74 (a) A municipality that has an average of at least 1,000  
75 people per square mile of land area and a minimum total  
76 population of at least 5,000;

77 (b) A county, including the municipalities located therein,  
78 which has an average of at least 1,000 people per square mile of  
79 land area; or

80 (c) A county, including the municipalities located therein,  
81 which has a population of at least 1 million.

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83 The Office of Economic and Demographic Research within the  
84 Legislature shall annually calculate the population and density  
85 criteria needed to determine which jurisdictions qualify as  
86 dense urban land areas by using the most recent land area data  
87 from the decennial census conducted by the Bureau of the Census

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88 of the United States Department of Commerce and the latest  
89 available population estimates determined pursuant to s.  
90 186.901. If any local government has had an annexation,  
91 contraction, or new incorporation, the Office of Economic and  
92 Demographic Research shall determine the population density  
93 using the new jurisdictional boundaries as recorded in  
94 accordance with s. 171.091. The Office of Economic and  
95 Demographic Research shall submit to the state land planning  
96 agency a list of jurisdictions that meet the total population  
97 and density criteria necessary for designation as a dense urban  
98 land area by July 1, 2009, and every year thereafter. The state  
99 land planning agency shall publish the list of jurisdictions on  
100 its Internet website within 7 days after the list is received.  
101 The designation of jurisdictions that qualify or do not qualify  
102 as a dense urban land area is effective upon publication on the  
103 state land planning agency's Internet website.

104 Section 3. Paragraphs (b) and (f) of subsection (3),  
105 paragraph (h) of subsection (6), and paragraphs (a) and (j) of  
106 subsection (12) of section 163.3177, Florida Statutes, are  
107 reenacted to read:

108 163.3177 Required and optional elements of comprehensive  
109 plan; studies and surveys.—

110 (3)(b)1. The capital improvements element must be reviewed  
111 on an annual basis and modified as necessary in accordance with  
112 s. 163.3187 or s. 163.3189 in order to maintain a financially  
113 feasible 5-year schedule of capital improvements. Corrections  
114 and modifications concerning costs; revenue sources; or  
115 acceptance of facilities pursuant to dedications which are  
116 consistent with the plan may be accomplished by ordinance and

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117 shall not be deemed to be amendments to the local comprehensive  
118 plan. A copy of the ordinance shall be transmitted to the state  
119 land planning agency. An amendment to the comprehensive plan is  
120 required to update the schedule on an annual basis or to  
121 eliminate, defer, or delay the construction for any facility  
122 listed in the 5-year schedule. All public facilities must be  
123 consistent with the capital improvements element. The annual  
124 update to the capital improvements element of the comprehensive  
125 plan need not comply with the financial feasibility requirement  
126 until December 1, 2011. Thereafter, a local government may not  
127 amend its future land use map, except for plan amendments to  
128 meet new requirements under this part and emergency amendments  
129 pursuant to s. 163.3187(1)(a), after December 1, 2011, and every  
130 year thereafter, unless and until the local government has  
131 adopted the annual update and it has been transmitted to the  
132 state land planning agency.

133 2. Capital improvements element amendments adopted after  
134 the effective date of this act shall require only a single  
135 public hearing before the governing board which shall be an  
136 adoption hearing as described in s. 163.3184(7). Such amendments  
137 are not subject to the requirements of s. 163.3184(3)-(6).

138 (f) A local government's comprehensive plan and plan  
139 amendments for land uses within all transportation concurrency  
140 exception areas that are designated and maintained in accordance  
141 with s. 163.3180(5) shall be deemed to meet the requirement to  
142 achieve and maintain level-of-service standards for  
143 transportation.

144 (6) In addition to the requirements of subsections (1)-(5)  
145 and (12), the comprehensive plan shall include the following

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146 elements:

147 (h)1. An intergovernmental coordination element showing  
148 relationships and stating principles and guidelines to be used  
149 in coordinating the adopted comprehensive plan with the plans of  
150 school boards, regional water supply authorities, and other  
151 units of local government providing services but not having  
152 regulatory authority over the use of land, with the  
153 comprehensive plans of adjacent municipalities, the county,  
154 adjacent counties, or the region, with the state comprehensive  
155 plan and with the applicable regional water supply plan approved  
156 pursuant to s. 373.709, as the case may require and as such  
157 adopted plans or plans in preparation may exist. This element of  
158 the local comprehensive plan must demonstrate consideration of  
159 the particular effects of the local plan, when adopted, upon the  
160 development of adjacent municipalities, the county, adjacent  
161 counties, or the region, or upon the state comprehensive plan,  
162 as the case may require.

163 a. The intergovernmental coordination element must provide  
164 procedures for identifying and implementing joint planning  
165 areas, especially for the purpose of annexation, municipal  
166 incorporation, and joint infrastructure service areas.

167 b. The intergovernmental coordination element must provide  
168 for recognition of campus master plans prepared pursuant to s.  
169 1013.30 and airport master plans under paragraph (k).

170 c. The intergovernmental coordination element shall provide  
171 for a dispute resolution process, as established pursuant to s.  
172 186.509, for bringing intergovernmental disputes to closure in a  
173 timely manner.

174 d. The intergovernmental coordination element shall provide

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175 for interlocal agreements as established pursuant to s.  
176 333.03(1)(b).

177 2. The intergovernmental coordination element shall also  
178 state principles and guidelines to be used in coordinating the  
179 adopted comprehensive plan with the plans of school boards and  
180 other units of local government providing facilities and  
181 services but not having regulatory authority over the use of  
182 land. In addition, the intergovernmental coordination element  
183 must describe joint processes for collaborative planning and  
184 decisionmaking on population projections and public school  
185 siting, the location and extension of public facilities subject  
186 to concurrency, and siting facilities with countywide  
187 significance, including locally unwanted land uses whose nature  
188 and identity are established in an agreement. Within 1 year  
189 after adopting their intergovernmental coordination elements,  
190 each county, all the municipalities within that county, the  
191 district school board, and any unit of local government service  
192 providers in that county shall establish by interlocal or other  
193 formal agreement executed by all affected entities, the joint  
194 processes described in this subparagraph consistent with their  
195 adopted intergovernmental coordination elements.

196 3. To foster coordination between special districts and  
197 local general-purpose governments as local general-purpose  
198 governments implement local comprehensive plans, each  
199 independent special district must submit a public facilities  
200 report to the appropriate local government as required by s.  
201 189.415.

202 4. Local governments shall execute an interlocal agreement  
203 with the district school board, the county, and nonexempt

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204 municipalities pursuant to s. 163.31777. The local government  
205 shall amend the intergovernmental coordination element to ensure  
206 that coordination between the local government and school board  
207 is pursuant to the agreement and shall state the obligations of  
208 the local government under the agreement. Plan amendments that  
209 comply with this subparagraph are exempt from the provisions of  
210 s. 163.3187(1).

211 5. By January 1, 2004, any county having a population  
212 greater than 100,000, and the municipalities and special  
213 districts within that county, shall submit a report to the  
214 Department of Community Affairs which identifies:

215 a. All existing or proposed interlocal service delivery  
216 agreements relating to education; sanitary sewer; public safety;  
217 solid waste; drainage; potable water; parks and recreation; and  
218 transportation facilities.

219 b. Any deficits or duplication in the provision of services  
220 within its jurisdiction, whether capital or operational. Upon  
221 request, the Department of Community Affairs shall provide  
222 technical assistance to the local governments in identifying  
223 deficits or duplication.

224 6. Within 6 months after submission of the report, the  
225 Department of Community Affairs shall, through the appropriate  
226 regional planning council, coordinate a meeting of all local  
227 governments within the regional planning area to discuss the  
228 reports and potential strategies to remedy any identified  
229 deficiencies or duplications.

230 7. Each local government shall update its intergovernmental  
231 coordination element based upon the findings in the report  
232 submitted pursuant to subparagraph 5. The report may be used as



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233 supporting data and analysis for the intergovernmental  
234 coordination element.

235 (12) A public school facilities element adopted to  
236 implement a school concurrency program shall meet the  
237 requirements of this subsection. Each county and each  
238 municipality within the county, unless exempt or subject to a  
239 waiver, must adopt a public school facilities element that is  
240 consistent with those adopted by the other local governments  
241 within the county and enter the interlocal agreement pursuant to  
242 s. 163.31777.

243 (a) The state land planning agency may provide a waiver to  
244 a county and to the municipalities within the county if the  
245 capacity rate for all schools within the school district is no  
246 greater than 100 percent and the projected 5-year capital outlay  
247 full-time equivalent student growth rate is less than 10  
248 percent. The state land planning agency may allow for a  
249 projected 5-year capital outlay full-time equivalent student  
250 growth rate to exceed 10 percent when the projected 10-year  
251 capital outlay full-time equivalent student enrollment is less  
252 than 2,000 students and the capacity rate for all schools within  
253 the school district in the tenth year will not exceed the 100-  
254 percent limitation. The state land planning agency may allow for  
255 a single school to exceed the 100-percent limitation if it can  
256 be demonstrated that the capacity rate for that single school is  
257 not greater than 105 percent. In making this determination, the  
258 state land planning agency shall consider the following  
259 criteria:

260 1. Whether the exceedance is due to temporary  
261 circumstances;

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262 2. Whether the projected 5-year capital outlay full time  
263 equivalent student growth rate for the school district is  
264 approaching the 10-percent threshold;

265 3. Whether one or more additional schools within the school  
266 district are at or approaching the 100-percent threshold; and

267 4. The adequacy of the data and analysis submitted to  
268 support the waiver request.

269 (j) The state land planning agency may issue a notice to  
270 the school board and the local government to show cause why  
271 sanctions should not be enforced for failure to enter into an  
272 approved interlocal agreement as required by s. 163.31777 or for  
273 failure to implement provisions relating to public school  
274 concurrency. If the state land planning agency finds that  
275 insufficient cause exists for the school board's or local  
276 government's failure to enter into an approved interlocal  
277 agreement as required by s. 163.31777 or for the school board's  
278 or local government's failure to implement the provisions  
279 relating to public school concurrency, the state land planning  
280 agency shall submit its finding to the Administration Commission  
281 which may impose on the local government any of the sanctions  
282 set forth in s. 163.3184(11) (a) and (b) and may impose on the  
283 district school board any of the sanctions set forth in s.  
284 1008.32(4).

285 Section 4. Subsections (5) and (10) and paragraphs (b) and  
286 (e) of subsection (13) of section 163.3180, Florida Statutes,  
287 are reenacted to read:

288 163.3180 Concurrency.—

289 (5) (a) The Legislature finds that under limited  
290 circumstances, countervailing planning and public policy goals

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291 may come into conflict with the requirement that adequate public  
292 transportation facilities and services be available concurrent  
293 with the impacts of such development. The Legislature further  
294 finds that the unintended result of the concurrency requirement  
295 for transportation facilities is often the discouragement of  
296 urban infill development and redevelopment. Such unintended  
297 results directly conflict with the goals and policies of the  
298 state comprehensive plan and the intent of this part. The  
299 Legislature also finds that in urban centers transportation  
300 cannot be effectively managed and mobility cannot be improved  
301 solely through the expansion of roadway capacity, that the  
302 expansion of roadway capacity is not always physically or  
303 financially possible, and that a range of transportation  
304 alternatives is essential to satisfy mobility needs, reduce  
305 congestion, and achieve healthy, vibrant centers.

306 (b)1. The following are transportation concurrency  
307 exception areas:

308 a. A municipality that qualifies as a dense urban land area  
309 under s. 163.3164;

310 b. An urban service area under s. 163.3164 that has been  
311 adopted into the local comprehensive plan and is located within  
312 a county that qualifies as a dense urban land area under s.  
313 163.3164; and

314 c. A county, including the municipalities located therein,  
315 which has a population of at least 900,000 and qualifies as a  
316 dense urban land area under s. 163.3164, but does not have an  
317 urban service area designated in the local comprehensive plan.

318 2. A municipality that does not qualify as a dense urban  
319 land area pursuant to s. 163.3164 may designate in its local

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320 comprehensive plan the following areas as transportation  
321 concurrency exception areas:

- 322 a. Urban infill as defined in s. 163.3164;
- 323 b. Community redevelopment areas as defined in s. 163.340;
- 324 c. Downtown revitalization areas as defined in s. 163.3164;
- 325 d. Urban infill and redevelopment under s. 163.2517; or
- 326 e. Urban service areas as defined in s. 163.3164 or areas  
327 within a designated urban service boundary under s.  
328 163.3177(14).

329 3. A county that does not qualify as a dense urban land  
330 area pursuant to s. 163.3164 may designate in its local  
331 comprehensive plan the following areas as transportation  
332 concurrency exception areas:

- 333 a. Urban infill as defined in s. 163.3164;
- 334 b. Urban infill and redevelopment under s. 163.2517; or
- 335 c. Urban service areas as defined in s. 163.3164.

336 4. A local government that has a transportation concurrency  
337 exception area designated pursuant to subparagraph 1.,  
338 subparagraph 2., or subparagraph 3. shall, within 2 years after  
339 the designated area becomes exempt, adopt into its local  
340 comprehensive plan land use and transportation strategies to  
341 support and fund mobility within the exception area, including  
342 alternative modes of transportation. Local governments are  
343 encouraged to adopt complementary land use and transportation  
344 strategies that reflect the region's shared vision for its  
345 future. If the state land planning agency finds insufficient  
346 cause for the failure to adopt into its comprehensive plan land  
347 use and transportation strategies to support and fund mobility  
348 within the designated exception area after 2 years, it shall

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349 submit the finding to the Administration Commission, which may  
350 impose any of the sanctions set forth in s. 163.3184(11)(a) and  
351 (b) against the local government.

352 5. Transportation concurrency exception areas designated  
353 pursuant to subparagraph 1., subparagraph 2., or subparagraph 3.  
354 do not apply to designated transportation concurrency districts  
355 located within a county that has a population of at least 1.5  
356 million, has implemented and uses a transportation-related  
357 concurrency assessment to support alternative modes of  
358 transportation, including, but not limited to, mass transit, and  
359 does not levy transportation impact fees within the concurrency  
360 district.

361 6. Transportation concurrency exception areas designated  
362 under subparagraph 1., subparagraph 2., or subparagraph 3. do  
363 not apply in any county that has exempted more than 40 percent  
364 of the area inside the urban service area from transportation  
365 concurrency for the purpose of urban infill.

366 7. A local government that does not have a transportation  
367 concurrency exception area designated pursuant to subparagraph  
368 1., subparagraph 2., or subparagraph 3. may grant an exception  
369 from the concurrency requirement for transportation facilities  
370 if the proposed development is otherwise consistent with the  
371 adopted local government comprehensive plan and is a project  
372 that promotes public transportation or is located within an area  
373 designated in the comprehensive plan for:

- 374 a. Urban infill development;  
375 b. Urban redevelopment;  
376 c. Downtown revitalization;  
377 d. Urban infill and redevelopment under s. 163.2517; or

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378 e. An urban service area specifically designated as a  
379 transportation concurrency exception area which includes lands  
380 appropriate for compact, contiguous urban development, which  
381 does not exceed the amount of land needed to accommodate the  
382 projected population growth at densities consistent with the  
383 adopted comprehensive plan within the 10-year planning period,  
384 and which is served or is planned to be served with public  
385 facilities and services as provided by the capital improvements  
386 element.

387 (c) The Legislature also finds that developments located  
388 within urban infill, urban redevelopment, urban service, or  
389 downtown revitalization areas or areas designated as urban  
390 infill and redevelopment areas under s. 163.2517, which pose  
391 only special part-time demands on the transportation system, are  
392 exempt from the concurrency requirement for transportation  
393 facilities. A special part-time demand is one that does not have  
394 more than 200 scheduled events during any calendar year and does  
395 not affect the 100 highest traffic volume hours.

396 (d) Except for transportation concurrency exception areas  
397 designated pursuant to subparagraph (b)1., subparagraph (b)2.,  
398 or subparagraph (b)3., the following requirements apply:

399 1. The local government shall both adopt into the  
400 comprehensive plan and implement long-term strategies to support  
401 and fund mobility within the designated exception area,  
402 including alternative modes of transportation. The plan  
403 amendment must also demonstrate how strategies will support the  
404 purpose of the exception and how mobility within the designated  
405 exception area will be provided.

406 2. The strategies must address urban design; appropriate

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407 land use mixes, including intensity and density; and network  
408 connectivity plans needed to promote urban infill,  
409 redevelopment, or downtown revitalization. The comprehensive  
410 plan amendment designating the concurrency exception area must  
411 be accompanied by data and analysis supporting the local  
412 government's determination of the boundaries of the  
413 transportation concurrency exception area.

414 (e) Before designating a concurrency exception area  
415 pursuant to subparagraph (b)7., the state land planning agency  
416 and the Department of Transportation shall be consulted by the  
417 local government to assess the impact that the proposed  
418 exception area is expected to have on the adopted level-of-  
419 service standards established for regional transportation  
420 facilities identified pursuant to s. 186.507, including the  
421 Strategic Intermodal System and roadway facilities funded in  
422 accordance with s. 339.2819. Further, the local government shall  
423 provide a plan for the mitigation of impacts to the Strategic  
424 Intermodal System, including, if appropriate, access management,  
425 parallel reliever roads, transportation demand management, and  
426 other measures.

427 (f) The designation of a transportation concurrency  
428 exception area does not limit a local government's home rule  
429 power to adopt ordinances or impose fees. This subsection does  
430 not affect any contract or agreement entered into or development  
431 order rendered before the creation of the transportation  
432 concurrency exception area except as provided in s.  
433 380.06(29)(e).

434 (g) The Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government  
435 Accountability shall submit to the President of the Senate and

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436 the Speaker of the House of Representatives by February 1, 2015,  
437 a report on transportation concurrency exception areas created  
438 pursuant to this subsection. At a minimum, the report shall  
439 address the methods that local governments have used to  
440 implement and fund transportation strategies to achieve the  
441 purposes of designated transportation concurrency exception  
442 areas, and the effects of the strategies on mobility,  
443 congestion, urban design, the density and intensity of land use  
444 mixes, and network connectivity plans used to promote urban  
445 infill, redevelopment, or downtown revitalization.

446 (10) Except in transportation concurrency exception areas,  
447 with regard to roadway facilities on the Strategic Intermodal  
448 System designated in accordance with s. 339.63, local  
449 governments shall adopt the level-of-service standard  
450 established by the Department of Transportation by rule.  
451 However, if the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
452 Development concurs in writing with the local government that  
453 the proposed development is for a qualified job creation project  
454 under s. 288.0656 or s. 403.973, the affected local government,  
455 after consulting with the Department of Transportation, may  
456 provide for a waiver of transportation concurrency for the  
457 project. For all other roads on the State Highway System, local  
458 governments shall establish an adequate level-of-service  
459 standard that need not be consistent with any level-of-service  
460 standard established by the Department of Transportation. In  
461 establishing adequate level-of-service standards for any  
462 arterial roads, or collector roads as appropriate, which  
463 traverse multiple jurisdictions, local governments shall  
464 consider compatibility with the roadway facility's adopted



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465 level-of-service standards in adjacent jurisdictions. Each local  
466 government within a county shall use a professionally accepted  
467 methodology for measuring impacts on transportation facilities  
468 for the purposes of implementing its concurrency management  
469 system. Counties are encouraged to coordinate with adjacent  
470 counties, and local governments within a county are encouraged  
471 to coordinate, for the purpose of using common methodologies for  
472 measuring impacts on transportation facilities for the purpose  
473 of implementing their concurrency management systems.

474 (13) School concurrency shall be established on a  
475 districtwide basis and shall include all public schools in the  
476 district and all portions of the district, whether located in a  
477 municipality or an unincorporated area unless exempt from the  
478 public school facilities element pursuant to s. 163.3177(12).  
479 The application of school concurrency to development shall be  
480 based upon the adopted comprehensive plan, as amended. All local  
481 governments within a county, except as provided in paragraph  
482 (f), shall adopt and transmit to the state land planning agency  
483 the necessary plan amendments, along with the interlocal  
484 agreement, for a compliance review pursuant to s. 163.3184(7)  
485 and (8). The minimum requirements for school concurrency are the  
486 following:

487 (b) *Level-of-service standards.*—The Legislature recognizes  
488 that an essential requirement for a concurrency management  
489 system is the level of service at which a public facility is  
490 expected to operate.

491 1. Local governments and school boards imposing school  
492 concurrency shall exercise authority in conjunction with each  
493 other to establish jointly adequate level-of-service standards,

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494 as defined in chapter 9J-5, Florida Administrative Code,  
495 necessary to implement the adopted local government  
496 comprehensive plan, based on data and analysis.

497 2. Public school level-of-service standards shall be  
498 included and adopted into the capital improvements element of  
499 the local comprehensive plan and shall apply districtwide to all  
500 schools of the same type. Types of schools may include  
501 elementary, middle, and high schools as well as special purpose  
502 facilities such as magnet schools.

503 3. Local governments and school boards shall have the  
504 option to utilize tiered level-of-service standards to allow  
505 time to achieve an adequate and desirable level of service as  
506 circumstances warrant.

507 4. For the purpose of determining whether levels of service  
508 have been achieved, for the first 3 years of school concurrency  
509 implementation, a school district that includes relocatable  
510 facilities in its inventory of student stations shall include  
511 the capacity of such relocatable facilities as provided in s.  
512 1013.35(2)(b)2.f., provided the relocatable facilities were  
513 purchased after 1998 and the relocatable facilities meet the  
514 standards for long-term use pursuant to s. 1013.20.

515 (e) *Availability standard.*—Consistent with the public  
516 welfare, a local government may not deny an application for site  
517 plan, final subdivision approval, or the functional equivalent  
518 for a development or phase of a development authorizing  
519 residential development for failure to achieve and maintain the  
520 level-of-service standard for public school capacity in a local  
521 school concurrency management system where adequate school  
522 facilities will be in place or under actual construction within

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523 3 years after the issuance of final subdivision or site plan  
524 approval, or the functional equivalent. School concurrency is  
525 satisfied if the developer executes a legally binding commitment  
526 to provide mitigation proportionate to the demand for public  
527 school facilities to be created by actual development of the  
528 property, including, but not limited to, the options described  
529 in subparagraph 1. Options for proportionate-share mitigation of  
530 impacts on public school facilities must be established in the  
531 public school facilities element and the interlocal agreement  
532 pursuant to s. 163.31777.

533 1. Appropriate mitigation options include the contribution  
534 of land; the construction, expansion, or payment for land  
535 acquisition or construction of a public school facility; the  
536 construction of a charter school that complies with the  
537 requirements of s. 1002.33(18); or the creation of mitigation  
538 banking based on the construction of a public school facility in  
539 exchange for the right to sell capacity credits. Such options  
540 must include execution by the applicant and the local government  
541 of a development agreement that constitutes a legally binding  
542 commitment to pay proportionate-share mitigation for the  
543 additional residential units approved by the local government in  
544 a development order and actually developed on the property,  
545 taking into account residential density allowed on the property  
546 prior to the plan amendment that increased the overall  
547 residential density. The district school board must be a party  
548 to such an agreement. As a condition of its entry into such a  
549 development agreement, the local government may require the  
550 landowner to agree to continuing renewal of the agreement upon  
551 its expiration.

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552           2. If the education facilities plan and the public  
553 educational facilities element authorize a contribution of land;  
554 the construction, expansion, or payment for land acquisition;  
555 the construction or expansion of a public school facility, or a  
556 portion thereof; or the construction of a charter school that  
557 complies with the requirements of s. 1002.33(18), as  
558 proportionate-share mitigation, the local government shall  
559 credit such a contribution, construction, expansion, or payment  
560 toward any other impact fee or exaction imposed by local  
561 ordinance for the same need, on a dollar-for-dollar basis at  
562 fair market value.

563           3. Any proportionate-share mitigation must be directed by  
564 the school board toward a school capacity improvement identified  
565 in a financially feasible 5-year district work plan that  
566 satisfies the demands created by the development in accordance  
567 with a binding developer's agreement.

568           4. If a development is precluded from commencing because  
569 there is inadequate classroom capacity to mitigate the impacts  
570 of the development, the development may nevertheless commence if  
571 there are accelerated facilities in an approved capital  
572 improvement element scheduled for construction in year four or  
573 later of such plan which, when built, will mitigate the proposed  
574 development, or if such accelerated facilities will be in the  
575 next annual update of the capital facilities element, the  
576 developer enters into a binding, financially guaranteed  
577 agreement with the school district to construct an accelerated  
578 facility within the first 3 years of an approved capital  
579 improvement plan, and the cost of the school facility is equal  
580 to or greater than the development's proportionate share. When

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581 the completed school facility is conveyed to the school  
 582 district, the developer shall receive impact fee credits usable  
 583 within the zone where the facility is constructed or any  
 584 attendance zone contiguous with or adjacent to the zone where  
 585 the facility is constructed.

586 5. This paragraph does not limit the authority of a local  
 587 government to deny a development permit or its functional  
 588 equivalent pursuant to its home rule regulatory powers, except  
 589 as provided in this part.

590 Section 5. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section  
 591 163.31801, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

592 163.31801 Impact fees; short title; intent; definitions;  
 593 ordinances levying impact fees.—

594 (3) An impact fee adopted by ordinance of a county or  
 595 municipality or by resolution of a special district must, at  
 596 minimum:

597 (d) Require that notice be provided no less than 90 days  
 598 before the effective date of an ordinance or resolution imposing  
 599 a new or increased impact fee. A county or municipality is not  
 600 required to wait 90 days to decrease, suspend, or eliminate an  
 601 impact fee.

602 Section 6. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and paragraph  
 603 (e) of subsection (3) of section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, are  
 604 reenacted to read:

605 163.3184 Process for adoption of comprehensive plan or plan  
 606 amendment.—

607 (1) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:

608 (b) "In compliance" means consistent with the requirements  
 609 of ss. 163.3177, 163.3178, 163.3180, 163.3191, and 163.3245,

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610 with the state comprehensive plan, with the appropriate  
611 strategic regional policy plan, and with chapter 9J-5, Florida  
612 Administrative Code, where such rule is not inconsistent with  
613 this part and with the principles for guiding development in  
614 designated areas of critical state concern and with part III of  
615 chapter 369, where applicable.

616 (3) LOCAL GOVERNMENT TRANSMITTAL OF PROPOSED PLAN OR  
617 AMENDMENT.—

618 (e) At the request of an applicant, a local government  
619 shall consider an application for zoning changes that would be  
620 required to properly enact the provisions of any proposed plan  
621 amendment transmitted pursuant to this subsection. Zoning  
622 changes approved by the local government are contingent upon the  
623 comprehensive plan or plan amendment transmitted becoming  
624 effective.

625 Section 7. Paragraphs (b), (f), and (q) of subsection (1)  
626 of section 163.3187, Florida Statutes, are reenacted to read:

627 163.3187 Amendment of adopted comprehensive plan.—

628 (1) Amendments to comprehensive plans adopted pursuant to  
629 this part may be made not more than two times during any  
630 calendar year, except:

631 (b) Any local government comprehensive plan amendments  
632 directly related to a proposed development of regional impact,  
633 including changes which have been determined to be substantial  
634 deviations and including Florida Quality Developments pursuant  
635 to s. 380.061, may be initiated by a local planning agency and  
636 considered by the local governing body at the same time as the  
637 application for development approval using the procedures  
638 provided for local plan amendment in this section and applicable

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639 local ordinances.

640 (f) The capital improvements element annual update required  
641 in s. 163.3177(3)(b)1. and any amendments directly related to  
642 the schedule.

643 (q) Any local government plan amendment to designate an  
644 urban service area as a transportation concurrency exception  
645 area under s. 163.3180(5)(b)2. or 3. and an area exempt from the  
646 development-of-regional-impact process under s. 380.06(29).

647 Section 8. Subsection (2) of section 163.32465, Florida  
648 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

649 163.32465 State review of local comprehensive plans in  
650 urban areas.—

651 (2) ALTERNATIVE STATE REVIEW PROCESS PILOT PROGRAM.—  
652 Pinellas and Broward Counties, and the municipalities within  
653 these counties, and Jacksonville, Miami, Tampa, and Hialeah  
654 shall follow an alternative state review process provided in  
655 this section. Municipalities within the pilot counties may  
656 elect, by super majority vote of the governing body, not to  
657 participate in the pilot program. In addition to the pilot  
658 program jurisdictions, any local government may use the  
659 alternative state review process to designate an urban service  
660 area as defined in s. 163.3164(29) in its comprehensive plan.

661 Section 9. Section 171.091, Florida Statutes, is reenacted  
662 to read:

663 171.091 Recording.—Any change in the municipal boundaries  
664 through annexation or contraction shall revise the charter  
665 boundary article and shall be filed as a revision of the charter  
666 with the Department of State within 30 days. A copy of such  
667 revision must be submitted to the Office of Economic and

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668 Demographic Research along with a statement specifying the  
669 population census effect and the affected land area.

670 Section 10. Section 186.509, Florida Statutes, is reenacted  
671 to read:

672 186.509 Dispute resolution process.—Each regional planning  
673 council shall establish by rule a dispute resolution process to  
674 reconcile differences on planning and growth management issues  
675 between local governments, regional agencies, and private  
676 interests. The dispute resolution process shall, within a  
677 reasonable set of timeframes, provide for: voluntary meetings  
678 among the disputing parties; if those meetings fail to resolve  
679 the dispute, initiation of mandatory mediation or a similar  
680 process; if that process fails, initiation of arbitration or  
681 administrative or judicial action, where appropriate. The  
682 council shall not utilize the dispute resolution process to  
683 address disputes involving environmental permits or other  
684 regulatory matters unless requested to do so by the parties. The  
685 resolution of any issue through the dispute resolution process  
686 shall not alter any person's right to a judicial determination  
687 of any issue if that person is entitled to such a determination  
688 under statutory or common law.

689 Section 11. Paragraph (a) of subsection (7) and subsections  
690 (24), (28), and (29) of section 380.06, Florida Statutes, are  
691 reenacted to read:

692 380.06 Developments of regional impact.—

693 (7) PREAPPLICATION PROCEDURES.—

694 (a) Before filing an application for development approval,  
695 the developer shall contact the regional planning agency with  
696 jurisdiction over the proposed development to arrange a



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697 preapplication conference. Upon the request of the developer or  
698 the regional planning agency, other affected state and regional  
699 agencies shall participate in this conference and shall identify  
700 the types of permits issued by the agencies, the level of  
701 information required, and the permit issuance procedures as  
702 applied to the proposed development. The levels of service  
703 required in the transportation methodology shall be the same  
704 levels of service used to evaluate concurrency in accordance  
705 with s. 163.3180. The regional planning agency shall provide the  
706 developer information about the development-of-regional-impact  
707 process and the use of preapplication conferences to identify  
708 issues, coordinate appropriate state and local agency  
709 requirements, and otherwise promote a proper and efficient  
710 review of the proposed development. If agreement is reached  
711 regarding assumptions and methodology to be used in the  
712 application for development approval, the reviewing agencies may  
713 not subsequently object to those assumptions and methodologies  
714 unless subsequent changes to the project or information obtained  
715 during the review make those assumptions and methodologies  
716 inappropriate.

717 (24) STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS.—

718 (a) Any proposed hospital is exempt from the provisions of  
719 this section.

720 (b) Any proposed electrical transmission line or electrical  
721 power plant is exempt from the provisions of this section.

722 (c) Any proposed addition to an existing sports facility  
723 complex is exempt from the provisions of this section if the  
724 addition meets the following characteristics:

725 1. It would not operate concurrently with the scheduled

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726 hours of operation of the existing facility.

727         2. Its seating capacity would be no more than 75 percent of  
728 the capacity of the existing facility.

729         3. The sports facility complex property is owned by a  
730 public body prior to July 1, 1983.

731 This exemption does not apply to any pari-mutuel facility.

732         (d) Any proposed addition or cumulative additions  
733 subsequent to July 1, 1988, to an existing sports facility  
734 complex owned by a state university is exempt if the increased  
735 seating capacity of the complex is no more than 30 percent of  
736 the capacity of the existing facility.

737         (e) Any addition of permanent seats or parking spaces for  
738 an existing sports facility located on property owned by a  
739 public body prior to July 1, 1973, is exempt from the provisions  
740 of this section if future additions do not expand existing  
741 permanent seating or parking capacity more than 15 percent  
742 annually in excess of the prior year's capacity.

743         (f) Any increase in the seating capacity of an existing  
744 sports facility having a permanent seating capacity of at least  
745 50,000 spectators is exempt from the provisions of this section,  
746 provided that such an increase does not increase permanent  
747 seating capacity by more than 5 percent per year and not to  
748 exceed a total of 10 percent in any 5-year period, and provided  
749 that the sports facility notifies the appropriate local  
750 government within which the facility is located of the increase  
751 at least 6 months prior to the initial use of the increased  
752 seating, in order to permit the appropriate local government to  
753 develop a traffic management plan for the traffic generated by  
754 the increase. Any traffic management plan shall be consistent

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755 with the local comprehensive plan, the regional policy plan, and  
756 the state comprehensive plan.

757 (g) Any expansion in the permanent seating capacity or  
758 additional improved parking facilities of an existing sports  
759 facility is exempt from the provisions of this section, if the  
760 following conditions exist:

761 1.a. The sports facility had a permanent seating capacity  
762 on January 1, 1991, of at least 41,000 spectator seats;

763 b. The sum of such expansions in permanent seating capacity  
764 does not exceed a total of 10 percent in any 5-year period and  
765 does not exceed a cumulative total of 20 percent for any such  
766 expansions; or

767 c. The increase in additional improved parking facilities  
768 is a one-time addition and does not exceed 3,500 parking spaces  
769 serving the sports facility; and

770 2. The local government having jurisdiction of the sports  
771 facility includes in the development order or development permit  
772 approving such expansion under this paragraph a finding of fact  
773 that the proposed expansion is consistent with the  
774 transportation, water, sewer and stormwater drainage provisions  
775 of the approved local comprehensive plan and local land  
776 development regulations relating to those provisions.

777  
778 Any owner or developer who intends to rely on this statutory  
779 exemption shall provide to the department a copy of the local  
780 government application for a development permit. Within 45 days  
781 of receipt of the application, the department shall render to  
782 the local government an advisory and nonbinding opinion, in  
783 writing, stating whether, in the department's opinion, the

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784 prescribed conditions exist for an exemption under this  
785 paragraph. The local government shall render the development  
786 order approving each such expansion to the department. The  
787 owner, developer, or department may appeal the local government  
788 development order pursuant to s. 380.07, within 45 days after  
789 the order is rendered. The scope of review shall be limited to  
790 the determination of whether the conditions prescribed in this  
791 paragraph exist. If any sports facility expansion undergoes  
792 development-of-regional-impact review, all previous expansions  
793 which were exempt under this paragraph shall be included in the  
794 development-of-regional-impact review.

795 (h) Expansion to port harbors, spoil disposal sites,  
796 navigation channels, turning basins, harbor berths, and other  
797 related inwater harbor facilities of ports listed in s.  
798 403.021(9)(b), port transportation facilities and projects  
799 listed in s. 311.07(3)(b), and intermodal transportation  
800 facilities identified pursuant to s. 311.09(3) are exempt from  
801 the provisions of this section when such expansions, projects,  
802 or facilities are consistent with comprehensive master plans  
803 that are in compliance with the provisions of s. 163.3178.

804 (i) Any proposed facility for the storage of any petroleum  
805 product or any expansion of an existing facility is exempt from  
806 the provisions of this section.

807 (j) Any renovation or redevelopment within the same land  
808 parcel which does not change land use or increase density or  
809 intensity of use.

810 (k) Waterport and marina development, including dry storage  
811 facilities, are exempt from the provisions of this section.

812 (l) Any proposed development within an urban service

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813 boundary established under s. 163.3177(14), which is not  
814 otherwise exempt pursuant to subsection (29), is exempt from the  
815 provisions of this section if the local government having  
816 jurisdiction over the area where the development is proposed has  
817 adopted the urban service boundary, has entered into a binding  
818 agreement with jurisdictions that would be impacted and with the  
819 Department of Transportation regarding the mitigation of impacts  
820 on state and regional transportation facilities, and has adopted  
821 a proportionate share methodology pursuant to s. 163.3180(16).

822 (m) Any proposed development within a rural land  
823 stewardship area created under s. 163.3177(11)(d) is exempt from  
824 the provisions of this section if the local government that has  
825 adopted the rural land stewardship area has entered into a  
826 binding agreement with jurisdictions that would be impacted and  
827 the Department of Transportation regarding the mitigation of  
828 impacts on state and regional transportation facilities, and has  
829 adopted a proportionate share methodology pursuant to s.  
830 163.3180(16).

831 (n) The establishment, relocation, or expansion of any  
832 military installation as defined in s. 163.3175, is exempt from  
833 this section.

834 (o) Any self-storage warehousing that does not allow retail  
835 or other services is exempt from this section.

836 (p) Any proposed nursing home or assisted living facility  
837 is exempt from this section.

838 (q) Any development identified in an airport master plan  
839 and adopted into the comprehensive plan pursuant to s.  
840 163.3177(6)(k) is exempt from this section.

841 (r) Any development identified in a campus master plan and

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842 adopted pursuant to s. 1013.30 is exempt from this section.

843 (s) Any development in a specific area plan which is  
844 prepared pursuant to s. 163.3245 and adopted into the  
845 comprehensive plan is exempt from this section.

846 (t) Any development within a county with a research and  
847 education authority created by special act and that is also  
848 within a research and development park that is operated or  
849 managed by a research and development authority pursuant to part  
850 V of chapter 159 is exempt from this section.

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852 If a use is exempt from review as a development of regional  
853 impact under paragraphs (a)-(s), but will be part of a larger  
854 project that is subject to review as a development of regional  
855 impact, the impact of the exempt use must be included in the  
856 review of the larger project, unless such exempt use involves a  
857 development of regional impact that includes a landowner,  
858 tenant, or user that has entered into a funding agreement with  
859 the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development under the  
860 Innovation Incentive Program and the agreement contemplates a  
861 state award of at least \$50 million.

862 (28) PARTIAL STATUTORY EXEMPTIONS.—

863 (a) If the binding agreement referenced under paragraph  
864 (24)(l) for urban service boundaries is not entered into within  
865 12 months after establishment of the urban service boundary, the  
866 development-of-regional-impact review for projects within the  
867 urban service boundary must address transportation impacts only.

868 (b) If the binding agreement referenced under paragraph  
869 (24)(m) for rural land stewardship areas is not entered into  
870 within 12 months after the designation of a rural land

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871 stewardship area, the development-of-regional-impact review for  
872 projects within the rural land stewardship area must address  
873 transportation impacts only.

874 (c) If the binding agreement for designated urban infill  
875 and redevelopment areas is not entered into within 12 months  
876 after the designation of the area or July 1, 2007, whichever  
877 occurs later, the development-of-regional-impact review for  
878 projects within the urban infill and redevelopment area must  
879 address transportation impacts only.

880 (d) A local government that does not wish to enter into a  
881 binding agreement or that is unable to agree on the terms of the  
882 agreement referenced under paragraph (24)(l) or paragraph  
883 (24)(m) shall provide written notification to the state land  
884 planning agency of the decision to not enter into a binding  
885 agreement or the failure to enter into a binding agreement  
886 within the 12-month period referenced in paragraphs (a), (b) and  
887 (c). Following the notification of the state land planning  
888 agency, development-of-regional-impact review for projects  
889 within an urban service boundary under paragraph (24)(l), or a  
890 rural land stewardship area under paragraph (24)(m), must  
891 address transportation impacts only.

892 (e) The vesting provision of s. 163.3167(8) relating to an  
893 authorized development of regional impact shall not apply to  
894 those projects partially exempt from the development-of-  
895 regional-impact review process under paragraphs (a)-(d).

896 (29) EXEMPTIONS FOR DENSE URBAN LAND AREAS.—

897 (a) The following are exempt from this section:

898 1. Any proposed development in a municipality that  
899 qualifies as a dense urban land area as defined in s. 163.3164;

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900           2. Any proposed development within a county that qualifies  
901 as a dense urban land area as defined in s. 163.3164 and that is  
902 located within an urban service area as defined in s. 163.3164  
903 which has been adopted into the comprehensive plan; or

904           3. Any proposed development within a county, including the  
905 municipalities located therein, which has a population of at  
906 least 900,000, which qualifies as a dense urban land area under  
907 s. 163.3164, but which does not have an urban service area  
908 designated in the comprehensive plan.

909           (b) If a municipality that does not qualify as a dense  
910 urban land area pursuant to s. 163.3164 designates any of the  
911 following areas in its comprehensive plan, any proposed  
912 development within the designated area is exempt from the  
913 development-of-regional-impact process:

- 914           1. Urban infill as defined in s. 163.3164;
- 915           2. Community redevelopment areas as defined in s. 163.340;
- 916           3. Downtown revitalization areas as defined in s. 163.3164;
- 917           4. Urban infill and redevelopment under s. 163.2517; or
- 918           5. Urban service areas as defined in s. 163.3164 or areas  
919 within a designated urban service boundary under s.  
920 163.3177(14).

921           (c) If a county that does not qualify as a dense urban land  
922 area pursuant to s. 163.3164 designates any of the following  
923 areas in its comprehensive plan, any proposed development within  
924 the designated area is exempt from the development-of-regional-  
925 impact process:

- 926           1. Urban infill as defined in s. 163.3164;
- 927           2. Urban infill and redevelopment under s. 163.2517; or
- 928           3. Urban service areas as defined in s. 163.3164.



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929 (d) A development that is located partially outside an area  
930 that is exempt from the development-of-regional-impact program  
931 must undergo development-of-regional-impact review pursuant to  
932 this section.

933 (e) In an area that is exempt under paragraphs (a)-(c), any  
934 previously approved development-of-regional-impact development  
935 orders shall continue to be effective, but the developer has the  
936 option to be governed by s. 380.115(1). A pending application  
937 for development approval shall be governed by s. 380.115(2). A  
938 development that has a pending application for a comprehensive  
939 plan amendment and that elects not to continue development-of-  
940 regional-impact review is exempt from the limitation on plan  
941 amendments set forth in s. 163.3187(1) for the year following  
942 the effective date of the exemption.

943 (f) Local governments must submit by mail a development  
944 order to the state land planning agency for projects that would  
945 be larger than 120 percent of any applicable development-of-  
946 regional-impact threshold and would require development-of-  
947 regional-impact review but for the exemption from the program  
948 under paragraphs (a)-(c). For such development orders, the state  
949 land planning agency may appeal the development order pursuant  
950 to s. 380.07 for inconsistency with the comprehensive plan  
951 adopted under chapter 163.

952 (g) If a local government that qualifies as a dense urban  
953 land area under this subsection is subsequently found to be  
954 ineligible for designation as a dense urban land area, any  
955 development located within that area which has a complete,  
956 pending application for authorization to commence development  
957 may maintain the exemption if the developer is continuing the

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958 application process in good faith or the development is  
959 approved.

960 (h) This subsection does not limit or modify the rights of  
961 any person to complete any development that has been authorized  
962 as a development of regional impact pursuant to this chapter.

963 (i) This subsection does not apply to areas:

964 1. Within the boundary of any area of critical state  
965 concern designated pursuant to s. 380.05;

966 2. Within the boundary of the Wekiva Study Area as  
967 described in s. 369.316; or

968 3. Within 2 miles of the boundary of the Everglades  
969 Protection Area as described in s. 373.4592(2).

970 Section 12. Sections 13, 14, and 34 of chapter 2009-96,  
971 Laws of Florida, are reenacted to read:

972 Section 13. (1) (a) The Legislature finds that the existing  
973 transportation concurrency system has not adequately addressed  
974 the transportation needs of this state in an effective,  
975 predictable, and equitable manner and is not producing a  
976 sustainable transportation system for the state. The Legislature  
977 finds that the current system is complex, inequitable, lacks  
978 uniformity among jurisdictions, is too focused on roadways to  
979 the detriment of desired land use patterns and transportation  
980 alternatives, and frequently prevents the attainment of  
981 important growth management goals.

982 (b) The Legislature determines that the state shall  
983 evaluate and consider the implementation of a mobility fee to  
984 replace the existing transportation concurrency system. The  
985 mobility fee should be designed to provide for mobility needs,  
986 ensure that development provides mitigation for its impacts on

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987 the transportation system in approximate proportionality to  
988 those impacts, fairly distribute the fee among the governmental  
989 entities responsible for maintaining the impacted roadways, and  
990 promote compact, mixed-use, and energy-efficient development.

991 (2) The state land planning agency and the Department of  
992 Transportation shall continue their respective current mobility  
993 fee studies and develop and submit to the President of the  
994 Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, no later  
995 than December 1, 2009, a final joint report on the mobility fee  
996 methodology study, complete with recommended legislation and a  
997 plan to implement the mobility fee as a replacement for the  
998 existing local government adopted and implemented transportation  
999 concurrency management systems. The final joint report shall  
1000 also contain, but is not limited to, an economic analysis of  
1001 implementation of the mobility fee, activities necessary to  
1002 implement the fee, and potential costs and benefits at the state  
1003 and local levels and to the private sector.

1004 Section 14. (1) Except as provided in subsection (4), and  
1005 in recognition of 2009 real estate market conditions, any permit  
1006 issued by the Department of Environmental Protection or a water  
1007 management district pursuant to part IV of chapter 373, Florida  
1008 Statutes, that has an expiration date of September 1, 2008,  
1009 through January 1, 2012, is extended and renewed for a period of  
1010 2 years following its date of expiration. This extension  
1011 includes any local government-issued development order or  
1012 building permit. The 2-year extension also applies to build out  
1013 dates including any build out date extension previously granted  
1014 under s. 380.06(19)(c), Florida Statutes. This section shall not  
1015 be construed to prohibit conversion from the construction phase

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1016 to the operation phase upon completion of construction.

1017 (2) The commencement and completion dates for any required  
1018 mitigation associated with a phased construction project shall  
1019 be extended such that mitigation takes place in the same  
1020 timeframe relative to the phase as originally permitted.

1021 (3) The holder of a valid permit or other authorization  
1022 that is eligible for the 2-year extension shall notify the  
1023 authorizing agency in writing no later than December 31, 2009,  
1024 identifying the specific authorization for which the holder  
1025 intends to use the extension and the anticipated timeframe for  
1026 acting on the authorization.

1027 (4) The extension provided for in subsection (1) does not  
1028 apply to:

1029 (a) A permit or other authorization under any programmatic  
1030 or regional general permit issued by the Army Corps of  
1031 Engineers.

1032 (b) A permit or other authorization held by an owner or  
1033 operator determined to be in significant noncompliance with the  
1034 conditions of the permit or authorization as established through  
1035 the issuance of a warning letter or notice of violation, the  
1036 initiation of formal enforcement, or other equivalent action by  
1037 the authorizing agency.

1038 (c) A permit or other authorization, if granted an  
1039 extension, that would delay or prevent compliance with a court  
1040 order.

1041 (5) Permits extended under this section shall continue to  
1042 be governed by rules in effect at the time the permit was  
1043 issued, except when it can be demonstrated that the rules in  
1044 effect at the time the permit was issued would create an

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1045 immediate threat to public safety or health. This provision  
1046 shall apply to any modification of the plans, terms, and  
1047 conditions of the permit that lessens the environmental impact,  
1048 except that any such modification shall not extend the time  
1049 limit beyond 2 additional years.

1050 (6) Nothing in this section shall impair the authority of a  
1051 county or municipality to require the owner of a property, that  
1052 has notified the county or municipality of the owner's intention  
1053 to receive the extension of time granted by this section, to  
1054 maintain and secure the property in a safe and sanitary  
1055 condition in compliance with applicable laws and ordinances.

1056 Section 34. The Legislature finds that this act fulfills an  
1057 important state interest.

1058 Section 13. The Legislature finds that this act fulfills an  
1059 important state interest.

1060 Section 14. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law,  
1061 and those portions of this act which were amended or created by  
1062 chapter 2009-96, Laws of Florida, shall operate retroactively to  
1063 June 1, 2009. If such retroactive application is held by a court  
1064 of last resort to be unconstitutional, this act shall apply  
1065 prospectively from the date that this act becomes a law.