

By Senator Bennett

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to liquefied petroleum gas; amending
3 s. 527.06, F.S.; prohibiting the Department of
4 Agriculture and Consumer Services and other state
5 agencies from requiring compliance with certain
6 national standards for liquefied petroleum gas tanks
7 unless the department or agencies require compliance
8 with a specified edition of the national standards;
9 amending s. 527.21, F.S.; revising the term "propane"
10 for purposes of the Florida Propane Gas Education,
11 Safety, and Research Act, to incorporate changes to
12 certain national standards in a reference thereto;
13 providing an effective date.

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

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17 Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 527.06, Florida
18 Statutes, is amended to read:

19 527.06 Rules.—

20 (3) (a) Rules in substantial conformity with the published
21 standards of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) are
22 ~~shall be~~ deemed to be in substantial conformity with the
23 generally accepted standards of safety concerning the same
24 subject matter.

25 (b) Notwithstanding any other law, the department or other
26 state agency may not require compliance with the minimum
27 separation distances of NFPA 58 for separation between a
28 liquefied petroleum gas tank and a building, adjoining property
29 line, other liquefied petroleum gas tank, or any source of

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30 ignition, except in compliance with the minimum separation
31 distances of the 2011 edition of NFPA 58.

32 Section 2. Subsection (11) of section 527.21, Florida
33 Statutes, is amended to read:

34 527.21 Definitions relating to Florida Propane Gas
35 Education, Safety, and Research Act.—As used in ss. 527.20-
36 527.23, the term:

37 (11) "Propane" includes propane, butane, mixtures, and
38 liquefied petroleum gas as defined by ~~the~~ National Fire
39 Protection Association (NFPA) Standard 58, For The Storage and
40 Handling of Liquefied Petroleum Gas Code Gases.

41 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.