

By the Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation;
and 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 providing for future expiration of such requirements;
10 amending s. 527.21, F.S.; revising the term "propane"
11 for purposes of the Florida Propane Gas Education,
12 Safety, and Research Act, to incorporate changes to
13 certain national standards in a reference thereto;
14 providing an effective date.

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

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

20 527.06 Rules.—

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

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

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30 line, other liquefied petroleum gas tank, or any source of
31 ignition, except in compliance with the minimum separation
32 distances of the 2011 edition of NFPA 58. This paragraph expires
33 upon the last effective date of rules adopted, directly or
34 incorporated by reference, by the department, the Florida
35 Building Commission as part of the Florida Building Code, and
36 the Office of State Fire Marshal as part of the Florida Fire
37 Prevention Code of these minimum separation distances contained
38 in the 2011 edition of NFPA 58, promulgated by the National Fire
39 Protection Association.

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

42 527.21 Definitions relating to Florida Propane Gas
43 Education, Safety, and Research Act.—As used in ss. 527.20-
44 527.23, the term:

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

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