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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
12/06/2011	.	
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The Committee on Agriculture (Hays) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. Present subsections (1) through (10) of section
482.1562, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (2)
through (11), respectively, a new subsection (1) is added to
that section, and present subsections (2), (8), and (10) of that
section are amended, to read:

482.1562 Limited certification for urban landscape
commercial fertilizer application.—

(1) The Legislature finds that the implementation of best
management practices for commercial fertilizer application to



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14 urban landscapes is a critical component of the state's efforts
15 to minimize potential impacts to water quality.

16 (3)-(2) Beginning January 1, 2014, any person applying
17 commercial fertilizer to an urban landscape must be certified
18 under this section. A person certified under this section must
19 follow best management practices for commercial fertilizer
20 application to urban landscapes as established by the Department
21 of Environmental Protection. A person certified under this
22 section is exempt from local government ordinances that address
23 the fertilization of urban turfs, lawns, and landscapes.

24 (9)-(8) The department shall may provide information
25 concerning the certification status of persons certified under
26 this section to other local and state governmental agencies. The
27 department is encouraged to create an online database that lists
28 all persons certified under this section.

29 (11)-(10) The department has enforcement authority over
30 persons certified under this section and may adopt rules to
31 administer this section. All penalties, fines, and
32 administrative actions must be consistent with this chapter.

33 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.

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36 And the title is amended as follows:

37 Delete everything before the enacting clause
38 and insert:

39 A bill to be entitled
40 An act relating to limited certification for urban
41 landscape commercial fertilizer application; amending
42 s. 482.1562, F.S.; providing legislative findings;



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43 requiring persons who hold a limited certification to
44 follow certain best management practices; providing an
45 exemption from certain local government ordinances;
46 requiring the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
47 Services to provide specified information to other
48 local and state governmental agencies; providing the
49 department with certain enforcement authority;
50 providing a requirement for related penalties, fines,
51 and administrative actions; providing an effective
52 date.