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An act relating to spaceport facilities; amending s. 331.303, F.S.; defining the term "launch support facilities"; deleting the term "spaceport launch facilities"; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Present subsection (17) of section 331.303, Florida Statutes, is repealed, present subsections (11) through (16) are renumbered as subsections (12) through (17), respectively, and a new subsection (11) is added to that section, to read:

331.303 Definitions.-

(11) "Launch support facilities" means facilities that are located at launch sites or launch ranges that are required to support launch activities, including launch vehicle assembly, launch vehicle operations and control, communications, and flight safety functions, as well as payload operations, control, and processing.

(17) "Spaceport launch facilities" means industrial facilities as described in s. 380.0651(3)(c), Florida Statutes 2010, and include any launch pad, launch control center, and fixed launch-support equipment.

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