

FOR CONSIDERATION By the Committee on Community Affairs

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to laws requiring counties or  
3           municipalities to spend funds or limiting their  
4           ability to raise revenue or receive state tax revenue;  
5           defining the term "insignificant fiscal impact";  
6           requiring that certain criteria be used in determining  
7           whether a law has an insignificant fiscal impact on  
8           counties and municipalities; providing an effective  
9           date.

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

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13           Section 1. Laws requiring counties or municipalities to  
14 spend funds or limiting their ability to raise revenue or  
15 receive state tax revenue.—Section 18(d), Article VII of the  
16 State Constitution creates an exemption from the section's  
17 limitations on local government mandates for laws that have an  
18 insignificant fiscal impact. For purposes of the exemption, the  
19 term "insignificant fiscal impact" means an annual amount equal  
20 to or less than 10 cents multiplied by the latest resident  
21 population estimate on April 1 by the Florida Demographic  
22 Estimating Conference for the applicable state fiscal year. In  
23 determining whether the fiscal impact of a law exceeds an  
24 insignificant fiscal impact, the average annual fiscal impact of  
25 the law, including any average annual revenues or savings that  
26 the law may create, must be taken into consideration.

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