

By Senator Evers

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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to public construction projects;
 3 amending s. 255.257, F.S.; requiring state agencies to
 4 use a sustainable building rating system for
 5 construction and renovation projects; amending s.
 6 255.2575, F.S.; requiring state agencies and other
 7 entities to specify certain products associated with
 8 public works projects; providing an effective date.

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

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 12 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section
 13 255.257, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

14 255.257 Energy management; buildings occupied by state
 15 agencies.—

16 (4) ADOPTION OF STANDARDS.—

17 (a) Each ~~All~~ state agency ~~agencies~~ shall use ~~adopt~~ a
 18 sustainable building rating system or ~~use~~ a national model green
 19 building code for each ~~all~~ new building ~~buildings~~ and renovation
 20 ~~renovations~~ to an existing building ~~buildings~~.

21 Section 2. Subsection (4) is added to section 255.2575,
 22 Florida Statutes, to read:

23 255.2575 Energy-efficient and sustainable buildings.—

24 (4) All state agencies, county officials, boards of county
 25 commissioners, school boards, city councils, city commissioners,
 26 and all other public officers of state boards or commissions
 27 that are charged with the letting of contracts for public work,
 28 for the construction of public bridges, buildings, and other
 29 structures must specify lumber, timber, and other forest

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30 products produced and manufactured in Florida if such products
31 are available and their price, fitness, and quality are equal.
32 This subsection does not apply to plywood specified for
33 monolithic concrete forms, if the structural or service
34 requirements for timber for a particular job cannot be supplied
35 by native species, or if the construction is financed in whole
36 or in part from federal funds with the requirement that there be
37 no restrictions as to species or place of manufacture.

38 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.