

1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to public construction projects;  
3           amending s. 255.20, F.S.; requiring state agencies to  
4           specify certain products associated with public works  
5           projects; amending s. 255.2575, F.S.; prohibiting  
6           state agencies from excluding the use of certain  
7           building rating systems and building codes for certain  
8           construction and renovation projects; providing an  
9           effective date.

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

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13           Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 255.20, Florida  
14   Statutes, is amended to read:

15           255.20 Local bids and contracts for public construction  
16   works; specification of state-produced lumber.—

17           (3) All state agencies, county officials, boards of county  
18   commissioners, school boards, city councils, city commissioners,  
19   and all other public officers of state boards or commissions  
20   that are charged with the letting of contracts for public work,  
21   for the construction of public bridges, buildings, and other  
22   structures must specify lumber, timber, and other forest  
23   products produced and manufactured in Florida ~~this state~~ if such  
24   products are available and their price, fitness, and quality are  
25   equal. This subsection does not apply to plywood specified for  
26   monolithic concrete forms, if the structural or service  
27   requirements for timber for a particular job cannot be supplied  
28   by native species, or if the construction is financed in whole

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29 | or in part from federal funds with the requirement that there be  
30 | no restrictions as to species or place of manufacture.

31 | Section 2. Subsection (4) is added to section 255.2575,  
32 | Florida Statutes, to read:

33 | 255.2575 Energy-efficient and sustainable buildings.—

34 | (4) For new construction and renovation projects  
35 | associated with publicly owned buildings or facilities, a state  
36 | agency may not, when requiring compliance with a sustainable  
37 | building rating system or national model green building code,  
38 | exclude the use of a sustainable building rating system or  
39 | national model green building code listed in s. 255.253(7).

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