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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

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1 Representative Santiago offered the following:

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3 **Amendment**

4 Remove lines 337-397 and insert:

5 title to all or a substantial portion of the underlying property  
6 on which the facility is located.

7 (c) "Beneficiary" means a professional sports franchise of  
8 the National Football League, the National Hockey League, the  
9 National Basketball Association, the National League or American  
10 League of Major League Baseball, Major League Soccer, or the  
11 National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing, or a nationally  
12 recognized professional sports association that occupies or uses  
13 a facility as the facility's primary tenant. A beneficiary may  
14 also be an applicant under this section.

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15 (d) "Facility" means a facility primarily used to host  
16 games or events held by a beneficiary and does not include any  
17 portion used to provide transient lodging.

18 (e) "Project" means a proposed construction,  
19 reconstruction, renovation, or improvement of a facility, or the  
20 proposed acquisition of land to construct a new facility.

21 (f) "Signature event" means a professional sports event  
22 with significant export factor potential. For purposes of this  
23 paragraph, the term "export factor" means the attraction of  
24 economic activity or growth into the state which otherwise would  
25 not have occurred. Examples of signature events may include, but  
26 are not limited to:

- 27 1. National Football League Super Bowls.
- 28 2. Professional sports All-Star games.
- 29 3. International sporting events and tournaments.
- 30 4. Professional automobile events of international  
31 prominence, such as the Daytona 500 or Formula 1 Grand Prix.
- 32 5. The establishment of a new professional sports franchise  
33 in this state.

34 (g) "State sales taxes generated by sales at the facility"  
35 means state sales taxes imposed under chapter 212 generated by  
36 admissions to the facility or by sales made by vendors at the  
37 facility who are accessible to persons attending events  
38 occurring at the facility.

39 (3) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to provide  
40 applicants state funding under s. 212.20(6)(d)6.e. for the  
41 public purpose of constructing, reconstructing, renovating, or  
42 improving a facility.

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43 (4) APPLICATION AND APPROVAL PROCESS.-

44 (a) The department shall establish the procedures and  
45 application forms deemed necessary pursuant to the requirements  
46 of this section. The department may notify an applicant of any  
47 additional required or incomplete information necessary to  
48 evaluate an application.

49 (b) The annual application period is from June 1 through  
50 November 1.

51 (c) Within 60 days after receipt of a completed  
52 application, the department shall complete its evaluation of the  
53 application as provided under subsection (5) and notify the  
54 applicant in writing of the department's decision to recommend  
55 approval of the applicant by the Legislature or to deny the  
56 application.

57 (d) Annually by February 1, the department shall rank the  
58 applicants and shall provide to the Legislature the list of the  
59 recommended applicants in ranked order of projects most likely  
60 to positively impact the state based on required criteria  
61 established in this section. The list must include the  
62 department's evaluation of the applicant.

63 (e) A recommended applicant's request for funding must be  
64 approved by the Legislature by general law.

65 1. An application by a unit of local government or other  
66 entity defined as an applicant in paragraph (2) (b), which is