

By Senator Dean

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to nonresidential farm buildings;
3 amending s. 604.50, F.S.; exempting nonresidential
4 farm buildings, farm fences, and farm signs that are
5 located on lands used for bona fide agricultural
6 purposes from any county or municipal assessment;
7 providing an effective date.
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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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11 Section 1. Section 604.50, Florida Statutes, is amended to
12 read:

13 604.50 Nonresidential farm buildings; farm fences; farm
14 signs.—

15 (1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a
16 ~~any~~ nonresidential farm building, farm fence, or farm sign that
17 is located on lands used for bona fide agricultural purposes is
18 exempt from the Florida Building Code and any county or
19 municipal code, assessment, or fee, except for code provisions
20 implementing local, state, or federal floodplain management
21 regulations. A farm sign located on a public road may not be
22 erected, used, operated, or maintained in a manner that violates
23 any of the standards provided in s. 479.11(4), (5)(a), and (6)-
24 (8).

25 (2) As used in this section, the term:

26 (a) "Bona fide agricultural purposes" has the same meaning
27 as provided in s. 193.461(3)(b).

28 (b) "Farm" has the same meaning as provided in s. 823.14.

29 (c) "Farm sign" means a sign erected, used, or maintained

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30 on a farm by the owner or lessee of the farm which relates
31 solely to farm produce, merchandise, or services sold, produced,
32 manufactured, or furnished on the farm.

33 (d) "Nonresidential farm building" means a ~~any~~ temporary or
34 permanent building or support structure that is classified as a
35 nonresidential farm building on a farm under s. 553.73(10)(c) or
36 that is used primarily for agricultural purposes, is located on
37 land that is an integral part of a farm operation or is
38 classified as agricultural land under s. 193.461, and is not
39 intended to be used as a residential dwelling. The term may
40 include, but is not limited to, a barn, greenhouse, shade house,
41 farm office, storage building, or poultry house.

42 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.