

By the Committee on Agriculture; and 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, ~~or~~ fee, or assessment, including a dependent  
20 special district assessment, except for code provisions  
21 implementing local, state, or federal floodplain management  
22 regulations. A farm sign located on a public road may not be  
23 erected, used, operated, or maintained in a manner that violates  
24 any of the standards provided in s. 479.11(4), (5)(a), and (6)-  
25 (8).

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

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

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

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30 (c) "Farm sign" means a sign erected, used, or maintained  
31 on a farm by the owner or lessee of the farm which relates  
32 solely to farm produce, merchandise, or services sold, produced,  
33 manufactured, or furnished on the farm.

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

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