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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Senator Brandes moved the following:

1           **Senate Amendment to Amendment (591424) (with title**  
2 **amendment)**

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4           Between lines 1096 and 1097

5 insert:

6           Section 27. Section 553.883, Florida Statutes, is amended  
7 to read:

8           553.883 Smoke alarms in one-family and two-family dwellings  
9 and townhomes.—One-family and two-family dwellings and townhomes  
10 undergoing a repair, or a level 1 alteration as defined in the  
11 Florida Building Code, may use smoke alarms powered by 10-year



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12 nonremovable, nonreplaceable batteries in lieu of retrofitting  
13 such dwelling with smoke alarms powered by the dwelling's  
14 electrical system. Effective January 1, 2015, a battery-powered  
15 smoke alarm that is newly installed or replaces an existing  
16 battery-powered smoke alarm must be powered by a nonremovable,  
17 nonreplaceable battery that powers the alarm for at least 10  
18 years. The battery requirements of this section do not apply to  
19 a fire alarm, smoke detector, smoke alarm, or ancillary  
20 component that is electronically connected as a part of a  
21 centrally monitored or supervised alarm system; that uses a low-  
22 power, radio frequency wireless communication signal; or that  
23 contains multiple sensors, such as a smoke alarm combined with a  
24 carbon monoxide alarm or other devices as the State Fire Marshal  
25 designates by rule.

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27 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

28 And the title is amended as follows:  
29       Delete line 1359  
30 and insert:  
31       approved evaluation entity; amending s. 553.883, F.S.;  
32       exempting specified devices from certain smoke alarm  
33       battery requirements; amending s. 553.908, F.S.;