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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government (Simpson)  
recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 56 and 57

insert:

Section 3. Subsection (1) of Section 482.1562, Florida  
Statutes, is amended to read:

482.1562 Limited certification for urban landscape  
commercial fertilizer application.—

(1) To provide a means of documenting and ensuring  
compliance with best management practices for commercial



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11 fertilizer application to urban landscapes, the department shall  
12 establish a limited certification for urban landscape commercial  
13 fertilizer application. In order to keep turf and root structure  
14 healthy enough to prevent erosion and runoff in the summer  
15 growing season, a local government may not prohibit an  
16 individual certified under this section, or a company that  
17 employees individuals certified under this section, from  
18 applying two limited applications of nitrogen-containing  
19 fertilizer to an individual lawn or a contiguous parcel of turf  
20 between May 1 and September 30 of any calendar year. The limited  
21 applications authorized under this subsection may contain no  
22 more than 1 pound of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet and must be  
23 formulated to use at least 50 percent slow-release nitrogen. An  
24 applicator may not apply fertilizers containing nitrogen or  
25 phosphorous to turf when the National Weather Service has issued  
26 any of the following advisories or forecasts for any part of the  
27 county:

28 (a) An active severe thunderstorm warning or watch, a flood  
29 warning or watch, a tropical storm warning or watch, or a  
30 hurricane warning or watch.

31 (b) A forecasted rainfall of greater than or equal to 2  
32 inches within the next 24-hour period.

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

35 And the title is amended as follows:

36 Delete line 10

37 and insert:

38 are replanted in citrus; amending 482.1562, F.S.;

39 specifying that persons holding limited certification



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40 for urban landscape commercial fertilizer application  
41 may apply nitrogen-containing fertilizers under  
42 certain conditions and during specified periods;  
43 providing an exception; creating s. 580.0365, F.S.;