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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to the Small Community Sewer  
3           Construction Assistance Act; amending s. 403.1838,  
4           F.S.; redefining the term "financially disadvantaged  
5           small community" to include counties and special  
6           districts; defining the term "special district";  
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. Subsection (2) of section 403.1838, Florida  
12           Statutes, is amended to read:

13           403.1838 Small Community Sewer Construction Assistance  
14           Act.—

15           (2) The department shall use funds specifically  
16           appropriated to award grants under this section to assist  
17           financially disadvantaged small communities with their needs for  
18           adequate sewer facilities. For purposes of this section, the  
19           term "financially disadvantaged small community" means a county,  
20           municipality, or special district that has a population of  
21           10,000 or fewer, according to the latest decennial census, and a  
22           per capita annual income less than the state per capita annual  
23           income as determined by the United States Department of  
24           Commerce. For purposes of this subsection, the term "special  
25           district" has the same meaning as provided in s. 189.012 and  
26           includes only those special districts whose public purpose  
27           includes water and sewer services, utility systems and services,  
28           or wastewater systems and services.

29           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.