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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative Smith offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Remove line 1607 and insert:

5 Section 37. Effective October 1, 2017, subsection (4) of
6 section 125.56, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

7 125.56 Enforcement and amendment of the Florida Building
8 Code and the Florida Fire Prevention Code; inspection fees;
9 inspectors; etc.—

10 (4) (a) After adoption of the Florida Building Code by the
11 Florida Building Commission or the Florida Fire Prevention Code
12 by the State Fire Marshal, or amendment of the building code or
13 the fire code as herein provided, it shall be unlawful for any
14 person, firm, or corporation to construct, erect, alter, repair,

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15 secure, or demolish any building within the territory embraced
16 by the terms of this act without first obtaining a permit
17 therefor from the appropriate board of county commissioners, or
18 from such persons as may by resolution be directed to issue such
19 permits, upon the payment of such reasonable fees as shall be
20 set forth in the schedule of fees adopted by the board; the
21 board is hereby empowered to revoke any such permit upon a
22 determination by the board that the construction, erection,
23 alteration, repair, securing, or demolition of the building for
24 which the permit was issued is in violation of or not in
25 conformity with the building code or the fire code.

26 (b) A county that issues building permits shall post each
27 type of building permit application on its website. Completed
28 applications must be submitted electronically to the county
29 building department. Accepted methods of electronic submission
30 include, but are not limited to, e-mail submission of
31 applications in portable document format or submission of
32 applications through an electronic fill-in form available on the
33 building department's website or through a third-party
34 submission management software. Payments, attachments, or
35 drawings required as part of the permit application may be
36 submitted in person in a nonelectronic format, at the discretion
37 of the building official.

38 Section 38. Effective October 1, 2017, subsection (1) of
39 section 553.79, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

40 553.79 Permits; applications; issuance; inspections.—

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41 (1) (a) After the effective date of the Florida Building
42 Code adopted as herein provided, it shall be unlawful for any
43 person, firm, corporation, or governmental entity to construct,
44 erect, alter, modify, repair, or demolish any building within
45 this state without first obtaining a permit therefor from the
46 appropriate enforcing agency or from such persons as may, by
47 appropriate resolution or regulation of the authorized state or
48 local enforcing agency, be delegated authority to issue such
49 permits, upon the payment of such reasonable fees adopted by the
50 enforcing agency. The enforcing agency is empowered to revoke
51 any such permit upon a determination by the agency that the
52 construction, erection, alteration, modification, repair, or
53 demolition of the building for which the permit was issued is in
54 violation of, or not in conformity with, the provisions of the
55 Florida Building Code. Whenever a permit required under this
56 section is denied or revoked because the plan, or the
57 construction, erection, alteration, modification, repair, or
58 demolition of a building, is found by the local enforcing agency
59 to be not in compliance with the Florida Building Code, the
60 local enforcing agency shall identify the specific plan or
61 project features that do not comply with the applicable codes,
62 identify the specific code chapters and sections upon which the
63 finding is based, and provide this information to the permit
64 applicant. Installation, replacement, removal, or metering of
65 any load management control device is exempt from and shall not

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66 be subject to the permit process and fees otherwise required by
67 this section.

68 (b) A local enforcement agency shall post each type of
69 building permit application on its website. Completed
70 applications must be submitted electronically to the appropriate
71 building department. Accepted methods of electronic submission
72 include, but are not limited to, e-mail submission of
73 applications in portable document format or submission of
74 applications through an electronic fill-in form available on the
75 building department's website or through a third-party
76 submission management software. Payments, attachments, or
77 drawings required as part of the permit application may be
78 submitted in person in a nonelectronic format, at the discretion
79 of the building official.

80 Section 39. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
81 act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2016.

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84 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

85 Remove line 163 and insert:
86 circumstances; amending ss. 125.56 and 553.79, F.S.;
87 requiring counties and local enforcement agencies,
88 respectively, to post all types of building permit
89 applications on their websites; specifying the format
90 in which completed applications must be submitted and

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91 | the format in which payments, attachments, and
92 | drawings may be submitted; providing effective dates.

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