

Amendment No.

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)  
 ADOPTED AS AMENDED \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)  
 ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)  
 FAILED TO ADOPT \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)  
 WITHDRAWN \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)  
 OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Agriculture & Natural  
 2 Resources Subcommittee  
 3 Representative Combee offered the following:  
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**Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:  
 7 Section 1. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 20.255,  
 8 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

9 20.255 Department of Environmental Protection.—There is  
 10 created a Department of Environmental Protection.

11 (2) (a) The secretary shall appoint ~~there shall be three~~  
 12 ~~deputy secretaries who are to be appointed by and~~ shall serve at  
 13 the pleasure of the secretary. The secretary may assign any  
 14 deputy secretary the responsibility to supervise, coordinate,  
 15 and formulate policy for any division, office, or district.

16 (b) The secretary shall appoint a general counsel who is  
 17 directly responsible to, and serves at the pleasure of, the

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18 secretary. The general counsel is responsible for all legal  
19 matters of the department.

20 (c) The secretary may establish divisions, in addition to  
21 the divisions specified in subsection (3), and bureaus as he or  
22 she deems necessary to accomplish the mission and goals of the  
23 department, which includes, but is not limited to, the following  
24 areas of program responsibility: water resources management,  
25 regulatory programs, and lands and recreation. The divisions  
26 shall be headed by directors. Each director, excepting the  
27 director of the Division of State Lands, is to be appointed by,  
28 and serve at the pleasure of, the secretary. The director of the  
29 Division of State Lands shall be appointed by the secretary,  
30 subject to confirmation by the Governor and Cabinet sitting as  
31 the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund.

32 (d) The secretary may establish offices as he or she deems  
33 necessary to promote the efficient and effective operation of  
34 the department. The secretary, in consultation with the  
35 Executive Office of the Governor, may also combine, separate, or  
36 delete offices as necessary. Such ~~the following special~~ offices  
37 shall be ~~are established and~~ headed by managers, each of whom is  
38 to be appointed by, and serve at the pleasure of, the  
39 secretary.÷

- 40 ~~1. Office of Chief of Staff;~~
- 41 ~~2. Office of General Counsel;~~
- 42 ~~3. Office of Inspector General;~~
- 43 ~~4. Office of External Affairs;~~

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- 44 ~~5. Office of Legislative Affairs;~~  
45 ~~6. Office of Intergovernmental Programs; and~~  
46 ~~7. Office of Greenways and Trails.~~  
47 ~~8. Office of Emergency Response.~~

48 ~~(e) (b) The secretary There shall establish be six~~  
49 ~~administrative districts to be involved in regulatory matters~~  
50 ~~such as ~~of~~ waste management, water resource management,~~  
51 ~~wetlands, and air resources. These districts, which shall be~~  
52 ~~headed by managers, each of whom is to be appointed by, and~~  
53 ~~serve at the pleasure of, the secretary. Divisions of the~~  
54 ~~department may have one assistant or two deputy division~~  
55 ~~directors, as required to facilitate effective operation.~~

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57 ~~The managers of all divisions, and offices, and districts~~  
58 ~~specifically named in this section and the directors of the six~~  
59 ~~administrative districts are exempt from part II of chapter 110~~  
60 ~~and are included in the Senior Management Service in accordance~~  
61 ~~with s. 110.205(2)(j).~~

62 (3) The following divisions of the Department of  
63 Environmental Protection are established:

- 64 (a) Division of Administrative Services.  
65 (b) Division of Air Resource Management.  
66 (c) Division of Water Resource Management.  
67 (d) Division of Environmental Assessment and Restoration.  
68 (e) Division of Waste Management.  
69 (f) Division of Recreation and Parks.

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70 (g) Division of State Lands, ~~the director of which is to~~  
71 ~~be appointed by the secretary of the department, subject to~~  
72 ~~confirmation by the Governor and Cabinet sitting as the Board of~~  
73 ~~Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund.~~

74 (h) Division of Water Restoration Assistance.

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76 In order to ensure statewide and intradepartmental consistency,  
77 the department's divisions shall direct the district offices and  
78 bureaus on matters of interpretation and applicability of the  
79 department's rules and programs.

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

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

84 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:  
85 An act relating to the organizational structure of the  
86 Department of Environmental Protection; amending s. 20.255,  
87 F.S.; deleting a provision requiring a certain number of deputy  
88 secretaries in the department; requiring the Secretary of  
89 Environmental Protection to appoint a general counsel to serve  
90 the department; authorizing the secretary to establish divisions  
91 and bureaus as necessary to accomplish the missions and goals of  
92 the department; providing for management of the divisions;  
93 authorizing the secretary to establish offices as necessary to  
94 promote the efficient and effective operation of the department;  
95 authorizing the combination, separation, and deletion of such

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96 offices under certain circumstances; deleting the required  
97 establishment of certain offices; requiring the secretary to  
98 establish administrative districts to be involved in certain  
99 regulatory matters; deleting a provision authorizing divisions  
100 to have only specified numbers of assistants or deputy division  
101 directors; providing an exemption for managers of districts from  
102 part II of chapter 110; revising the specified divisions within  
103 the department; providing an effective date.