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Senate

House

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1 Representative Pafford offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with directory and title amendments)**

4 Between lines 919 and 920, insert:

5 (7) (a) The department shall contract with an independent,
6 nongovernmental entity for an economic, environmental, and
7 policy analysis of water use fees in the state. The analysis
8 shall be modeled after the 1991 study by Chase Securities titled
9 "Capitalizing a Water Resource Trust Fund with Water Use Fee
10 Revenues: Feasibility and Effects," which analyzed possible
11 implementation of Recommendation No. 18 of the report titled
12 "Governor's Water Resource Commission Final Report, Submitted to
13 Governor Bob Martinez, December 1, 1989."

14 (b) The analysis shall address the following:

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15 1. Projected water usage in the state and potential
16 revenues from that usage, factoring in price elasticity and
17 possible credits.

18 2. Operating assumptions for a Water Resources Trust Fund,
19 including the mix of loans and grants, interest rates, leverage,
20 and capitalization requirements, and recommendations for
21 allocation of trust fund revenues.

22 3. Impact of various fee levels by county for residential,
23 industrial, and agricultural uses.

24 4. Pros and cons of applying fees universally or
25 selectively.

26 5. A review of water conservation technologies in
27 agricultural and industrial uses and how deployment of such
28 technologies might be affected by various fee levels.

29 6. Recommendations for how to insure that low-income
30 residents are not disadvantaged by water fees.

31 7. Recommendations for how pricing might vary by region or
32 type of usage.

33 8. Recommendations for how fees might be collected from
34 residential self-supply wells.

35 9. Recommendations for how to ensure universal water
36 metering.

37 10. Options for metering and billing.

38 (c) The analysis shall be completed and posted on the
39 department's website by July 1, 2017.

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D I R E C T O R Y A M E N D M E N T

Remove line 904 and insert:

Section 10. Subsections (6) and (7) are added to section
373.223,

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

Remove line 72 and insert:

providing an exception; directing the department to
contract with an independent, nongovernmental entity
for an analysis of water use fees in the state;
specifying analysis criteria; requiring the completed
analysis to be posted on the department's website by a
specified date; amending s. 373.2234, F.S.;

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