

Amendment No. 4

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
OTHER	<u> </u>	

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Commerce Committee
2 Representative Avila offered the following:

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4 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

5 Remove lines 57-106 and insert:

6 (3) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:

7 (a) "Center" means ~~is defined as~~ the Florida Solar Energy
8 Center of the Board of Governors.

9 (b) "Solar energy systems" means ~~is defined as~~ equipment
10 which provides for the collection and use of incident solar
11 energy for water heating, space heating or cooling, or other
12 applications which normally require or would require a
13 conventional source of energy such as petroleum products,
14 natural gas, or electricity and which performs primarily with
15 solar energy. In such other systems in which solar energy is

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16 used in a supplemental way, only those components which collect
17 and transfer solar energy shall be included in this definition.

18 (4) FLORIDA SOLAR ENERGY CENTER TO SET STANDARDS, REQUIRE
19 DISCLOSURE, SET TESTING FEES.—

20 (a) The center shall develop and adopt ~~promulgate~~
21 standards for solar energy systems manufactured or sold in this
22 state based on the best currently available information and
23 shall consult with scientists, engineers, or persons in research
24 centers who are engaged in the construction of, experimentation
25 with, and research of solar energy systems to properly identify
26 the most reliable designs and types of solar energy systems.

27 (b) The center shall establish criteria for testing
28 performance of solar energy systems and shall maintain the
29 necessary capability for testing or evaluating performance of
30 solar energy systems. The center may accept results of tests on
31 solar energy systems made by other organizations, companies, or
32 persons when such tests are conducted according to the criteria
33 established by the center and when the testing entity has no
34 vested interest in the manufacture, distribution or sale of
35 solar energy systems.

36 (c) The center shall be entitled to receive a testing fee
37 sufficient to cover the costs of such testing. All testing fees
38 shall be transmitted by the center to the Chief Financial
39 Officer to be deposited in the Solar Energy Center Testing Trust
40 Fund, which is ~~hereby~~ created in the State Treasury, and

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41 disbursed for the payment of expenses incurred in testing solar
42 energy systems.

43 (d) All solar energy systems manufactured or sold in the
44 state must meet the standards established by the center and
45 shall display accepted results of approved performance tests in
46 a manner prescribed by the center, unless otherwise certified by
47 an engineer licensed pursuant to ch. 471 using the standards
48 contained in the most recent version of the Florida Building
49 Code.

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Remove lines 3-10 and insert:

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F.S.; revising legislative findings and intent; providing that
56 solar energy systems manufactured or sold in the state may be
57 certified by professional engineers; amending s. 553.79, F.S.;

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prohibiting a