By the Committees on Rules; Community Affairs; and Regulated Industries; and Senators Steube and Perry

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An act relating to vacation rentals; amending s. 509.032, F.S.; revising applicability for a preemption of certain local laws, ordinances, or regulations regarding vacation rentals; authorizing certain ordinances to be submitted for ratification by electors at a referendum; providing that, upon approval by the electors, the effective date of the ordinance is retroactive to the initial date of adoption by the governing body of the municipality; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

- Section 1. Paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection (7) of section 509.032, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 509.032 Duties.-
 - (7) PREEMPTION AUTHORITY. -
- (b) A local law, ordinance, or regulation may not prohibit vacation rentals or regulate the duration or frequency of rental of vacation rentals. This paragraph does not apply to any local law, ordinance, or regulation adopted on or before June 1, 2011, including when such law, ordinance, or regulation:
 - 1. Is being amended to be less restrictive; or
- 2. Reduces local regulatory burdens on vacation rentals owned, in whole or in part, by a person who is currently serving on active duty or temporary duty in a branch of the United States Armed Services or owned by a disabled veteran with a service-connected evaluation of such disability of 30 percent or

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more, according to the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

(c) Paragraph (b) does not apply to any local law, ordinance, or regulation governing exclusively relating to property valuation as a criterion for vacation rentals rental if the local law, ordinance, or regulation is required to be approved by the state land planning agency pursuant to an area of critical state concern designation.

Statutes, a municipality may submit an ordinance adopted by the governing body of the municipality prior to the effective date of chapter 2011-119, Laws of Florida, for ratification of the electors at a referendum. If the ordinance is approved by at least two-thirds of the electors voting in the referendum, the effective date of the ordinance is the date of its initial adoption by the governing body of the municipality.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.