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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to the Florida Fire Prevention Code;  
3           amending s. 633.202, F.S.; requiring that doorstep  
4           refuse and recycling collection containers be allowed  
5           in exit corridors of certain apartment occupancies  
6           under certain circumstances; authorizing authorities  
7           having jurisdiction to approve certain alternative  
8           containers and storage arrangements; requiring such  
9           authorities to allow apartment occupancies a phase-in  
10          period to comply until a specified date; providing for  
11          future repeal; providing an effective date.

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

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15           Section 1. Subsection (20) is added to section 633.202,  
16 Florida Statutes, to read:

17           633.202 Florida Fire Prevention Code.—

18           (20) (a) In apartment occupancies with enclosed corridors  
19 served by interior or exterior exit stairs, doorstep refuse and  
20 recycling collection containers must be allowed in exit  
21 corridors when all of the following conditions exist:

22           1. The maximum waste container size does not exceed 13  
23 gallons.

24           2. Waste is not placed in the exit access corridors for  
25 single periods exceeding 5 hours.

26           3. Waste containers do not occupy the exit access corridors  
27 for single periods exceeding 12 hours.

28           4. Waste containers do not reduce the means of egress width  
29 below that required under NFPA Life Safety Code 101:31, as

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30 adopted under the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

31 5. Management staff have written policies and procedures in  
32 place and enforce them to ensure compliance with this  
33 subsection, and, upon request, provide a copy of such policies  
34 and procedures to the authority having jurisdiction.

35 (b) In apartment occupancies with open-air corridors or  
36 balconies served by exterior exit stairs, doorstep refuse and  
37 recycling collection containers must be allowed in exit  
38 corridors when all of the following conditions exist:

39 1. The maximum waste container size does not exceed 27  
40 gallons.

41 2. Waste is not placed in the exit access corridors for  
42 single periods exceeding 5 hours.

43 3. Waste containers do not reduce the means of egress width  
44 below that required under NFPA Life Safety Code 101:31, as  
45 adopted under the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

46 4. Management staff have written policies and procedures in  
47 place and enforce them to ensure compliance with this  
48 subsection, and, upon request, provide a copy of such policies  
49 and procedures to the authority having jurisdiction.

50 (c) The authority having jurisdiction may approve  
51 alternative containers and storage arrangements that are  
52 demonstrated to provide an equivalent level of safety to that  
53 provided under paragraphs (a) and (b).

54 (d) The authority having jurisdiction shall allow apartment  
55 occupancies a phase-in period until December 31, 2020, to comply  
56 with this subsection.

57 (e) This subsection is repealed on July 1, 2021.

58 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.