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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: State Affairs Committee
 2 Representative Fischer offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

5 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

6 Section 1. Section 125.01055, Florida Statutes, is amended
 7 to read:

8 125.01055 Affordable housing.—

9 (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a county
 10 may adopt and maintain in effect any law, ordinance, rule, or
 11 other measure that is adopted for the purpose of increasing the
 12 supply of affordable housing using land use mechanisms such as
 13 inclusionary housing ordinances. A county may not, however,
 14 adopt or impose a requirement in any form, including, without
 15 limitation, by way of a comprehensive plan amendment, ordinance,
 16 or land development regulation or as a condition of a

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17 development order or development permit, which has any of the
18 following effects:

19 (a) Mandating or establishing a maximum sales price or
20 lease rental for privately produced dwelling units;

21 (b) Requiring the allocation or designation, whether
22 directly or indirectly, of privately produced dwelling units for
23 sale or rental to any particular class or group of purchasers or
24 tenants; or

25 (c) Requiring the provision of any onsite or offsite
26 workforce or affordable housing units or a contribution of land
27 or money for such housing, including, but not limited to, the
28 payment of any flat or percentage-based fee, whether calculated
29 on the basis of the number of approved dwelling units, the
30 amount of approved square footage, or otherwise.

31 (2) This section does not limit the authority of a county
32 to create or implement a voluntary density bonus program or any
33 other voluntary incentive-based program designed to increase the
34 supply of workforce or affordable housing units.

35 Section 2. Section 125.022, Florida Statutes, is amended
36 to read:

37 125.022 Development permits and development orders.-

38 (1) Within 30 days after receiving an application for a
39 development permit or development order, a county must review
40 the application for completeness and issue a letter indicating
41 that all required information is submitted or specifying with

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42 particularity any areas that are deficient. If deficient, the
43 applicant has 30 days to address the deficiencies by submitting
44 the required additional information. Within 120 days after the
45 county has deemed the application complete the county must
46 approve, approve with conditions, or deny the application for a
47 development permit or development order. The time periods
48 contained in this section may be waived in writing by the
49 applicant. An approval, approval with conditions, or denial of
50 the application for a development permit or development order
51 must include written findings supporting the county's decision.

52 (2)-(1) When reviewing an application for a development
53 permit or development order that is certified by a professional
54 listed in s. 403.0877, a county may not request additional
55 information from the applicant more than three times, unless the
56 applicant waives the limitation in writing. Before a third
57 request for additional information, the applicant must be
58 offered a meeting to attempt to resolve outstanding issues.
59 Except as provided in subsection (5)-(4), if the applicant
60 believes the request for additional information is not
61 authorized by ordinance, rule, statute, or other legal
62 authority, the county, at the applicant's request, shall proceed
63 to process the application for approval or denial.

64 (3)-(2) When a county denies an application for a
65 development permit or development order, the county shall give
66 written notice to the applicant. The notice must include a

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67 citation to the applicable portions of an ordinance, rule,
68 statute, or other legal authority for the denial of the permit
69 or order.

70 ~~(4)(3)~~ As used in this section, the terms term
71 "development permit" and "development order" have ~~has~~ the same
72 meaning as in s. 163.3164, but do ~~does~~ not include building
73 permits.

74 ~~(5)(4)~~ For any development permit application filed with
75 the county on or after July 1, 2012, a county may not require as
76 a condition of processing or issuing a development permit or
77 development order that an applicant obtain a permit or approval
78 from any state or federal agency unless the agency has issued a
79 final agency action that denies the federal or state permit
80 before the county action on the local development permit.

81 ~~(6)(5)~~ Issuance of a development permit or development
82 order by a county does not in any way create any rights on the
83 part of the applicant to obtain a permit from a state or federal
84 agency and does not create any liability on the part of the
85 county for issuance of the permit if the applicant fails to
86 obtain requisite approvals or fulfill the obligations imposed by
87 a state or federal agency or undertakes actions that result in a
88 violation of state or federal law. A county shall attach such a
89 disclaimer to the issuance of a development permit and shall
90 include a permit condition that all other applicable state or

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91 federal permits be obtained before commencement of the
92 development.

93 ~~(7)-(6)~~ This section does not prohibit a county from
94 providing information to an applicant regarding what other state
95 or federal permits may apply.

96 Section 3. Section 166.033, Florida Statutes, is amended
97 to read:

98 166.033 Development permits and development orders.-

99 (1) Within 30 days after receiving an application for a
100 development permit or development order, a municipality must
101 review the application for completeness and issue a letter
102 indicating that all required information is submitted or
103 specifying with particularity any areas that are deficient. If
104 deficient, the applicant has 30 days to address the deficiencies
105 by submitting the required additional information. Within 120
106 days after the municipality has deemed the application complete
107 the municipality must approve, approve with conditions, or deny
108 the application for a development permit or development order.
109 The time periods contained in this subsection may be waived in
110 writing by the applicant. An approval, approval with conditions,
111 or denial of the application for a development permit or
112 development order must include written findings supporting the
113 municipality's decision.

114 ~~(2)-(1)~~ When reviewing an application for a development
115 permit or development order that is certified by a professional

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116 listed in s. 403.0877, a municipality may not request additional
117 information from the applicant more than three times, unless the
118 applicant waives the limitation in writing. Before a third
119 request for additional information, the applicant must be
120 offered a meeting to attempt to resolve outstanding issues.
121 Except as provided in subsection (5)-(4), if the applicant
122 believes the request for additional information is not
123 authorized by ordinance, rule, statute, or other legal
124 authority, the municipality, at the applicant's request, shall
125 proceed to process the application for approval or denial.

126 (3)-(2) When a municipality denies an application for a
127 development permit or development order, the municipality shall
128 give written notice to the applicant. The notice must include a
129 citation to the applicable portions of an ordinance, rule,
130 statute, or other legal authority for the denial of the permit
131 or order.

132 (4)-(3) As used in this section, the terms term
133 "development permit" and "development order" have ~~has~~ the same
134 meaning as in s. 163.3164, but do ~~does~~ not include building
135 permits.

136 (5)-(4) For any development permit application filed with
137 the municipality on or after July 1, 2012, a municipality may
138 not require as a condition of processing or issuing a
139 development permit or development order that an applicant obtain
140 a permit or approval from any state or federal agency unless the

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141 agency has issued a final agency action that denies the federal
142 or state permit before the municipal action on the local
143 development permit.

144 ~~(6)-(5)~~ Issuance of a development permit or development
145 order by a municipality does not in any way create any right on
146 the part of an applicant to obtain a permit from a state or
147 federal agency and does not create any liability on the part of
148 the municipality for issuance of the permit if the applicant
149 fails to obtain requisite approvals or fulfill the obligations
150 imposed by a state or federal agency or undertakes actions that
151 result in a violation of state or federal law. A municipality
152 shall attach such a disclaimer to the issuance of development
153 permits and shall include a permit condition that all other
154 applicable state or federal permits be obtained before
155 commencement of the development.

156 ~~(7)-(6)~~ This section does not prohibit a municipality from
157 providing information to an applicant regarding what other state
158 or federal permits may apply.

159 Section 4. Section 166.04151, Florida Statutes, is amended
160 to read:

161 166.04151 Affordable housing.—

162 (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a
163 municipality may adopt and maintain in effect any law,
164 ordinance, rule, or other measure that is adopted for the
165 purpose of increasing the supply of affordable housing using

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166 land use mechanisms such as inclusionary housing ordinances. A
167 municipality may not, however, adopt or impose a requirement in
168 any form, including, without limitation, by way of a
169 comprehensive plan amendment, ordinance, or land development
170 regulation or as a condition of a development order or
171 development permit, which has any of the following effects:

172 (a) Mandating or establishing a maximum sales price or
173 lease rental for privately produced dwelling units;

174 (b) Requiring the allocation or designation, whether
175 directly or indirectly, of privately produced dwelling units for
176 sale or rental to any particular class or group of purchasers or
177 tenants; or

178 (c) Requiring the provision of any onsite or offsite
179 workforce or affordable housing units or a contribution of land
180 or money for such housing, including, but not limited to, the
181 payment of any flat or percentage-based fee, whether calculated
182 on the basis of the number of approved dwelling units, the
183 amount of approved square footage, or otherwise.

184 (2) This section does not limit the authority of a
185 municipality to create or implement a voluntary density bonus
186 program or any other voluntary incentive-based program designed
187 to increase the supply of workforce or affordable housing units.

188 Section 5. Subsection (2) of section 166.045, Florida
189 Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (3), and a new subsection
190 (2) is added to that section, to read:

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191 166.045 Proposed purchase of real property by
192 municipality; confidentiality of records; procedure.-

193 (2) Except as otherwise provided in s. 171.205, a
194 municipality may not purchase real property within another
195 municipality's jurisdictional boundaries without the other
196 municipality's consent.

197 Section 6.Subsection (4) is added to section 171.042,
198 Florida Statutes, to read:

199 171.042 Prerequisites to annexation.-

200 (4) Except as otherwise provided in s. 171.205, a
201 municipality may not annex an area within another municipal
202 jurisdiction without the other municipality's consent.

203 Section 7. Subsection (3) of section 163.3167, Florida
204 Statutes, is amended to read:

205 163.3167 Scope of act.-

206 (3) A municipality established after the effective date of
207 this act shall, within 1 year after incorporation, establish a
208 local planning agency, pursuant to s. 163.3174, and prepare and
209 adopt a comprehensive plan of the type and in the manner set out
210 in this act within 3 years after the date of such incorporation.
211 A county comprehensive plan ~~is shall be deemed~~ controlling until
212 the municipality adopts a comprehensive plan in accordance
213 ~~accord~~ with this act. A comprehensive plan adopted after January
214 1, 2019, and all land development regulations adopted to
215 implement the comprehensive plan, must incorporate a development

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216 order existing before the comprehensive plan's effective date,
217 may not impair the completion of a development in accordance
218 with such existing development order, and must vest the density
219 and intensity approved by such development order existing on the
220 effective date of the comprehensive plan without limitation or
221 modification.

222 Section 8.Paragraph (j) is added to subsection (2) of
223 section 163.3202, Florida Statutes, to read:

224 163.3202 Land development regulations.—

225 (2) Local land development regulations shall contain
226 specific and detailed provisions necessary or desirable to
227 implement the adopted comprehensive plan and shall at a minimum:

228 (j) Incorporate preexisting development orders identified

229 Section 9.Paragraph (i) of subsection (5) and paragraph (h)
230 of subsection (6) of section 163.3180, Florida Statutes, are
231 amended to read:

232 163.3180 Concurrency.—

233 (5)

234 (i) If a local government elects to repeal transportation
235 concurrency, it is encouraged to adopt an alternative mobility
236 funding system that uses one or more of the tools and techniques
237 identified in paragraph (f). Any alternative mobility funding
238 system adopted may not be used to deny, time, or phase an
239 application for site plan approval, plat approval, final
240 subdivision approval, building permits, or the functional

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241 equivalent of such approvals provided that the developer agrees
242 to pay for the development's identified transportation impacts
243 via the funding mechanism implemented by the local government.
244 The revenue from the funding mechanism used in the alternative
245 system must be used to implement the needs of the local
246 government's plan which serves as the basis for the fee imposed.
247 A mobility fee-based funding system must comply with s.
248 163.31801 governing the dual-rational nexus test applicable to
249 impact fees. An alternative system that is not mobility fee-
250 based shall not be applied in a manner that imposes upon new
251 development any responsibility for funding an existing
252 transportation deficiency as defined in paragraph (h).

253 (6)

254 (h)1. In order to limit the liability of local
255 governments, a local government may allow a landowner to proceed
256 with development of a specific parcel of land notwithstanding a
257 failure of the development to satisfy school concurrency, if all
258 the following factors are shown to exist:

259 a. The proposed development would be consistent with the
260 future land use designation for the specific property and with
261 pertinent portions of the adopted local plan, as determined by
262 the local government.

263 b. The local government's capital improvements element and
264 the school board's educational facilities plan provide for
265 school facilities adequate to serve the proposed development,

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266 and the local government or school board has not implemented
267 that element or the project includes a plan that demonstrates
268 that the capital facilities needed as a result of the project
269 can be reasonably provided.

270 c. The local government and school board have provided a
271 means by which the landowner will be assessed a proportionate
272 share of the cost of providing the school facilities necessary
273 to serve the proposed development.

274 2. If a local government applies school concurrency, it
275 may not deny an application for site plan, final subdivision
276 approval, or the functional equivalent for a development or
277 phase of a development authorizing residential development for
278 failure to achieve and maintain the level-of-service standard
279 for public school capacity in a local school concurrency
280 management system where adequate school facilities will be in
281 place or under actual construction within 3 years after the
282 issuance of final subdivision or site plan approval, or the
283 functional equivalent. School concurrency is satisfied if the
284 developer executes a legally binding commitment to provide
285 mitigation proportionate to the demand for public school
286 facilities to be created by actual development of the property,
287 including, but not limited to, the options described in sub-
288 subparagraph a. Options for proportionate-share mitigation of
289 impacts on public school facilities must be established in the
290 comprehensive plan and the interlocal agreement pursuant to s.

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291 163.31777.

292 a. Appropriate mitigation options include the contribution
293 of land; the construction, expansion, or payment for land
294 acquisition or construction of a public school facility; the
295 construction of a charter school that complies with the
296 requirements of s. 1002.33(18); or the creation of mitigation
297 banking based on the construction of a public school facility in
298 exchange for the right to sell capacity credits. Such options
299 must include execution by the applicant and the local government
300 of a development agreement that constitutes a legally binding
301 commitment to pay proportionate-share mitigation for the
302 additional residential units approved by the local government in
303 a development order and actually developed on the property,
304 taking into account residential density allowed on the property
305 prior to the plan amendment that increased the overall
306 residential density. The district school board must be a party
307 to such an agreement. As a condition of its entry into such a
308 development agreement, the local government may require the
309 landowner to agree to continuing renewal of the agreement upon
310 its expiration.

311 b. If the interlocal agreement and the local government
312 comprehensive plan authorize a contribution of land; the
313 construction, expansion, or payment for land acquisition; the
314 construction or expansion of a public school facility, or a
315 portion thereof; or the construction of a charter school that

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316 complies with the requirements of s. 1002.33(18), as
317 proportionate-share mitigation, the local government shall
318 credit such a contribution, construction, expansion, or payment
319 toward any other impact fee or exaction imposed by local
320 ordinance for public educational facilities ~~the same need~~, on a
321 dollar-for-dollar basis at fair market value. The credit must be
322 based on the total impact fee assessed and not upon the impact
323 fee for any particular type of school.

324 c. Any proportionate-share mitigation must be directed by
325 the school board toward a school capacity improvement identified
326 in the 5-year school board educational facilities plan that
327 satisfies the demands created by the development in accordance
328 with a binding developer's agreement.

329 3. This paragraph does not limit the authority of a local
330 government to deny a development permit or its functional
331 equivalent pursuant to its home rule regulatory powers, except
332 as provided in this part.

333 Section 10. Section 163.31801, Florida Statutes, is
334 amended to read:

335 163.31801 Impact fees; short title; intent; minimum
336 requirements; audits; challenges ~~definitions; ordinances levying~~
337 ~~impact fees.~~

338 (1) This section may be cited as the "Florida Impact Fee
339 Act."

340 (2) The Legislature finds that impact fees are an

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341 important source of revenue for a local government to use in
342 funding the infrastructure necessitated by new growth. The
343 Legislature further finds that impact fees are an outgrowth of
344 the home rule power of a local government to provide certain
345 services within its jurisdiction. Due to the growth of impact
346 fee collections and local governments' reliance on impact fees,
347 it is the intent of the Legislature to ensure that, when a
348 county or municipality adopts an impact fee by ordinance or a
349 special district adopts an impact fee by resolution, the
350 governing authority complies with this section.

351 (3) At a minimum, an impact fee adopted by ordinance of a
352 county or municipality or by resolution of a special district
353 must satisfy all of the following conditions, ~~at minimum~~:

354 (a) The local government must calculate ~~require that the~~
355 ~~calculation of~~ the impact fee ~~be~~ based on the most recent and
356 localized data.

357 (b) The local government must provide for accounting and
358 reporting of impact fee collections and expenditures. If a local
359 government ~~governmental entity~~ imposes an impact fee to address
360 its infrastructure needs, the local government must ~~entity shall~~
361 account for the revenues and expenditures of such impact fee in
362 a separate accounting fund.

363 (c) The local government must limit administrative charges
364 for the collection of impact fees to actual costs.

365 (d) The local government must provide ~~Require that~~ notice

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366 ~~be provided~~ no less than 90 days before the effective date of an
367 ordinance or resolution imposing a new or increased impact fee.
368 A county or municipality is not required to wait 90 days to
369 decrease, suspend, or eliminate an impact fee.

370 (e) The local government may not require payment of the
371 impact fee before the date of issuance of the building permit
372 for the property that is subject to the fee.

373 (f) The impact fee must be reasonably connected to, or
374 have a rational nexus with, the need for additional capital
375 facilities and the increased impact generated by the new
376 residential or commercial construction.

377 (g) The impact fee must be reasonably connected to, or
378 have a rational nexus with, the expenditures of the funds
379 collected and the benefits accruing to the new residential or
380 commercial construction.

381 (h) The local government must specifically earmark
382 revenues generated by the impact fee to acquire, construct, or
383 improve capital facilities to benefit new users.

384 (i) The local government may not use revenues generated by
385 the impact fee to pay existing debt or for previously approved
386 projects unless the expenditure is reasonably connected to, or
387 has a rational nexus with, the increased impact generated by the
388 new residential or commercial construction.

389 (4) The local government must credit against the
390 collection of the impact fee any contribution, whether

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391 identified in a proportionate share agreement or other form of
392 exaction, related to public education facilities, including land
393 dedication, site planning and design, or construction. Any
394 contribution must be applied to reduce any education based
395 impact fees on a dollar-for-dollar basis at fair market value.

396 (5) If a local government increases its impact fee rates,
397 then the holder of any impact fee credits, whether such credits
398 are granted under s. 163.3180, s. 380.06, or otherwise, which
399 were in existence prior to the increase, is entitled to the full
400 benefit of the intensity or density prepaid by the credit
401 balance as of the date it was first established.

402 (6)(4) Audits of financial statements of local
403 governmental entities and district school boards which are
404 performed by a certified public accountant pursuant to s. 218.39
405 and submitted to the Auditor General must include an affidavit
406 signed by the chief financial officer of the local governmental
407 entity or district school board stating that the local
408 governmental entity or district school board has complied with
409 this section.

410 (7)(5) In any action challenging an impact fee, the
411 government has the burden of proving by a preponderance of the
412 evidence that the imposition or amount of the fee meets the
413 requirements of state legal precedent or this section. The court
414 may not use a deferential standard.

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415 (8) A county, municipality, or special district may
416 provide an exception or waiver for an impact fee for the
417 development or construction of housing that is affordable, as
418 defined in s. 420.9071. A county, municipality, or special
419 district providing such an exception or waiver is not required
420 to use any revenues to offset the impact.

421 (9) This section does not apply to water and sewer
422 connection fees.

423 Section 11. Subsections (8) and (9) of section 163.3215,
424 Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (9) and (10)
425 respectively, and a new subsection (8) is added to that section,
426 to read:

427 163.3215 Standing to enforce local comprehensive plans
428 through development orders.—

429 (8) (a) In any proceeding under subsection (3), either
430 party is entitled to the summary procedure provided in s.
431 51.011, and the court shall advance the cause on the calendar,
432 subject to paragraph (b).

433 (b) Upon a showing by either party by clear and convincing
434 evidence that summary procedure is inappropriate, the court may
435 determine that summary procedure does not apply.

436 Section 12.Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
437 252.363, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

438 252.363 Tolling and extension of permits and other
439 authorizations.—

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440 (1) (a) The declaration of a state of emergency issued by
441 the Governor for a natural emergency tolls the period remaining
442 to exercise the rights under a permit or other authorization for
443 the duration of the emergency declaration. Further, the
444 emergency declaration extends the period remaining to exercise
445 the rights under a permit or other authorization for 6 months in
446 addition to the tolled period. This paragraph applies to the
447 following:

448 1. The expiration of a development order issued by a local
449 government.

450 2. The expiration of a building permit.

451 3. The expiration of a permit issued by the Department of
452 Environmental Protection or a water management district pursuant
453 to part IV of chapter 373.

454 4. The buildout date of a development of regional impact,
455 including any extension of a buildout date that was previously
456 granted as specified in s. 380.06(7)(c).

457 Section 13. Subsection (8) of section 420.502, Florida
458 Statutes, is amended to read:

459 420.502 Legislative findings.—It is hereby found and
460 declared as follows:

461 (8) (a) It is necessary to create new programs to stimulate
462 the construction and substantial rehabilitation of rental
463 housing for eligible persons and families.

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464 (b) It is necessary to create a state housing finance
465 strategy to provide affordable workforce housing opportunities
466 to essential services personnel in areas of critical state
467 concern designated under s. 380.05, for which the Legislature
468 has declared its intent to provide affordable housing, and areas
469 that were designated as areas of critical state concern for at
470 least 20 consecutive years prior to removal of the designation.
471 The lack of affordable workforce housing has been exacerbated by
472 the dwindling availability of developable land, environmental
473 constraints, rising construction and insurance costs, and the
474 shortage of lower-cost housing units. As this state's population
475 continues to grow, essential services personnel vital to the
476 economies of areas of critical state concern are unable to live
477 in the communities where they work, creating transportation
478 congestion and hindering their quality of life and community
479 engagement.

480 Section 14. Subsections (18) through (42) of section
481 420.503, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (19)
482 through (43), and new subsection (18) is created to read:

483 (18) "Essential services personnel" means natural persons
484 or families whose total annual household income is at or below
485 120 percent of the area median income, adjusted for household
486 size, and at least one of whom is employed as police or fire
487 personnel, a child care worker, a teacher or other education

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488 personnel, health care personnel, a public employee, or a
489 service worker.

490 Section 15. Subsection (3) of section 420.5095, Florida
491 Statutes, is amended to read:

492 420.5095 Community Workforce Housing Innovation Pilot
493 Program.—

494 (3) For purposes of this section, the term:

495 (a) "Workforce housing" means housing affordable to
496 natural persons or families whose total annual household income
497 does not exceed 140 percent of the area median income, adjusted
498 for household size, or 150 percent of area median income,
499 adjusted for household size, in areas of critical state concern
500 designated under s. 380.05, for which the Legislature has
501 declared its intent to provide affordable housing, and areas
502 that were designated as areas of critical state concern for at
503 least 20 consecutive years prior to removal of the designation.

504 ~~(b) "Essential services personnel" means persons in need~~
505 ~~of affordable housing who are employed in occupations or~~
506 ~~professions in which they are considered essential services~~
507 ~~personnel, as defined by each county and eligible municipality~~
508 ~~within its respective local housing assistance plan pursuant to~~
509 ~~s. 420.9075(3)(a).~~

510 ~~(c)~~ "Public-private partnership" means any form of
511 business entity that includes substantial involvement of at
512 least one county, one municipality, or one public sector entity,

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513 such as a school district or other unit of local government in
514 which the project is to be located, and at least one private
515 sector for-profit or not-for-profit business or charitable
516 entity, and may be any form of business entity, including a
517 joint venture or contractual agreement.

518 Section 16. Subsections (1), (4), (5), (6), (7), and (18)
519 of section 553.791, Florida Statutes, are amended, and paragraph
520 (d) is added to subsection (15), to read:

521 553.791 Alternative plans review and inspection.—

522 (1) As used in this section, the term:

523 (a) "Applicable codes" means the Florida Building Code and
524 any local technical amendments to the Florida Building Code but
525 does not include the applicable minimum fire prevention and
526 firesafety codes adopted pursuant to chapter 633.

527 (b) "Audit" means the process to confirm that the building
528 code inspection services have been performed by the private
529 provider, including ensuring that the required affidavit for the
530 plan review has been properly completed and affixed to the
531 permit documents and that the minimum mandatory inspections
532 required under the building code have been performed and
533 properly recorded. ~~The term does not mean that the local~~
534 building official may not is required to replicate the plan
535 review or inspection being performed by the private provider,
536 unless expressly authorized by this section.

537 (c) "Building" means any construction, erection,

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538 alteration, demolition, or improvement of, or addition to, any
539 structure or site work for which permitting by a local
540 enforcement agency is required.

541 (d) "Building code inspection services" means those
542 services described in s. 468.603(5) and (8) involving the review
543 of building plans as well as those services involving the review
544 of site plans and site work engineering plans or their
545 functional equivalent, to determine compliance with applicable
546 codes and those inspections required by law of each phase of
547 construction for which permitting by a local enforcement agency
548 is required to determine compliance with applicable codes.

549 (e) "Duly authorized representative" means an agent of the
550 private provider identified in the permit application who
551 reviews plans or performs inspections as provided by this
552 section and who is licensed as an engineer under chapter 471 or
553 as an architect under chapter 481 or who holds a standard
554 certificate under part XII of chapter 468.

555 (f) "Immediate threat to public safety and welfare" means
556 a building code violation that, if allowed to persist,
557 constitutes an immediate hazard that could result in death,
558 serious bodily injury, or significant property damage. This
559 paragraph does not limit the authority of the local building
560 official to issue a Notice of Corrective Action at any time
561 during the construction of a building project or any portion of
562 such project if the official determines that a condition of the

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563 building or portion thereof may constitute a hazard when the
564 building is put into use following completion as long as the
565 condition cited is shown to be in violation of the building code
566 or approved plans.

567 (g) "Local building official" means the individual within
568 the governing jurisdiction responsible for direct regulatory
569 administration or supervision of plans review, enforcement, and
570 inspection of any construction, erection, alteration,
571 demolition, or substantial improvement of, or addition to, any
572 structure for which permitting is required to indicate
573 compliance with applicable codes and includes any duly
574 authorized designee of such person.

575 (h) "Permit application" means a properly completed and
576 submitted application for the requested building or construction
577 permit, including:

- 578 1. The plans reviewed by the private provider.
- 579 2. The affidavit from the private provider required under
580 subsection (6).
- 581 3. Any applicable fees.
- 582 4. Any documents required by the local building official
583 to determine that the fee owner has secured all other government
584 approvals required by law.

585 (i) "Plans" means building plans, site engineering plans,
586 or site plans, or their functional equivalent, submitted by a
587 fee owner or fee owner's contractor to a private provider or

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588 duly authorized representative for review.

589 (j)~~(i)~~ "Private provider" means a person licensed as a
590 building code administrator under part XII of chapter 468, as an
591 engineer under chapter 471, or as an architect under chapter
592 481. For purposes of performing inspections under this section
593 for additions and alterations that are limited to 1,000 square
594 feet or less to residential buildings, the term "private
595 provider" also includes a person who holds a standard
596 certificate under part XII of chapter 468.

597 (k)~~(j)~~ "Request for certificate of occupancy or
598 certificate of completion" means a properly completed and
599 executed application for:

600 1. A certificate of occupancy or certificate of
601 completion.

602 2. A certificate of compliance from the private provider
603 required under subsection (11).

604 3. Any applicable fees.

605 4. Any documents required by the local building official
606 to determine that the fee owner has secured all other government
607 approvals required by law.

608 (l) "Site work" means the portion of a construction
609 project that is not part of the building structure, including,
610 but not limited to, grading, excavation, landscape irrigation,
611 and installation of driveways.

612 (m)~~(k)~~ "Stop-work order" means the issuance of any written

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613 statement, written directive, or written order which states the
614 reason for the order and the conditions under which the cited
615 work will be permitted to resume.

616 (4) A fee owner or the fee owner's contractor using a
617 private provider to provide building code inspection services
618 shall notify the local building official at the time of permit
619 application, or no less than 2 7 business days before ~~prior to~~
620 the first scheduled inspection by the local building official or
621 building code enforcement agency for a private provider
622 performing required inspections of construction under this
623 section, on a form to be adopted by the commission. This notice
624 shall include the following information:

625 (a) The services to be performed by the private provider.

626 (b) The name, firm, address, telephone number, and
627 facsimile number of each private provider who is performing or
628 will perform such services, his or her professional license or
629 certification number, qualification statements or resumes, and,
630 if required by the local building official, a certificate of
631 insurance demonstrating that professional liability insurance
632 coverage is in place for the private provider's firm, the
633 private provider, and any duly authorized representative in the
634 amounts required by this section.

635 (c) An acknowledgment from the fee owner in substantially
636 the following form:

637 I have elected to use one or more private providers to provide

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638 building code plans review and/or inspection services on the
639 building or structure that is the subject of the enclosed permit
640 application, as authorized by s. 553.791, Florida Statutes. I
641 understand that the local building official may not review the
642 plans submitted or perform the required building inspections to
643 determine compliance with the applicable codes, except to the
644 extent specified in said law. Instead, plans review and/or
645 required building inspections will be performed by licensed or
646 certified personnel identified in the application. The law
647 requires minimum insurance requirements for such personnel, but
648 I understand that I may require more insurance to protect my
649 interests. By executing this form, I acknowledge that I have
650 made inquiry regarding the competence of the licensed or
651 certified personnel and the level of their insurance and am
652 satisfied that my interests are adequately protected. I agree to
653 indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the local government, the
654 local building official, and their building code enforcement
655 personnel from any and all claims arising from my use of these
656 licensed or certified personnel to perform building code
657 inspection services with respect to the building or structure
658 that is the subject of the enclosed permit application.
659 If the fee owner or the fee owner's contractor makes any changes
660 to the listed private providers or the services to be provided
661 by those private providers, the fee owner or the fee owner's
662 contractor shall, within 1 business day after any change, update

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663 the notice to reflect such changes. A change of a duly
664 authorized representative named in the permit application does
665 not require a revision of the permit, and the building code
666 enforcement agency shall not charge a fee for making the change.
667 In addition, the fee owner or the fee owner's contractor shall
668 post at the project site, before ~~prior to~~ the commencement of
669 construction and updated within 1 business day after any change,
670 on a form to be adopted by the commission, the name, firm,
671 address, telephone number, and facsimile number of each private
672 provider who is performing or will perform building code
673 inspection services, the type of service being performed, and
674 similar information for the primary contact of the private
675 provider on the project.

676 (5) After construction has commenced and if the local
677 building official is unable to provide inspection services in a
678 timely manner, the fee owner or the fee owner's contractor may
679 elect to use a private provider to provide inspection services
680 by notifying the local building official of the owner's or
681 contractor's intention to do so no less than 2 ~~7~~ business days
682 before ~~prior to~~ the next scheduled inspection using the notice
683 provided for in paragraphs (4) (a)-(c).

684 (6) A private provider performing plans review under this
685 section shall review the ~~construction~~ plans to determine
686 compliance with the applicable codes. Upon determining that the
687 plans reviewed comply with the applicable codes, the private

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688 provider shall prepare an affidavit or affidavits on a form
689 reasonably acceptable to ~~adopted by~~ the commission certifying,
690 under oath, that the following is true and correct to the best
691 of the private provider's knowledge and belief:

692 (a) The plans were reviewed by the affiant, who is duly
693 authorized to perform plans review pursuant to this section and
694 holds the appropriate license or certificate.

695 (b) The plans comply with the applicable codes.

696 (7) (a) No more than 5 ~~30~~ business days after receipt of a
697 permit application and the affidavit from the private provider
698 required pursuant to subsection (6), the local building official
699 shall issue the requested permit or provide a written notice to
700 the permit applicant identifying the specific plan features that
701 do not comply with the applicable codes, as well as the specific
702 code chapters and sections. If the local building official does
703 not provide a written notice of the plan deficiencies within the
704 prescribed 5-day ~~30-day~~ period, the permit application shall be
705 deemed approved as a matter of law, and the permit shall be
706 issued by the local building official on the next business day.

707 (b) If the local building official provides a written
708 notice of plan deficiencies to the permit applicant within the
709 prescribed 5-day ~~30-day~~ period, the 5-day ~~30-day~~ period shall be
710 tolled pending resolution of the matter. To resolve the plan
711 deficiencies, the permit applicant may elect to dispute the
712 deficiencies pursuant to subsection (13) or to submit revisions

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713 to correct the deficiencies.

714 (c) If the permit applicant submits revisions, the local
715 building official has 3 ~~the remainder of the tolled 30-day~~
716 ~~period plus 5~~ business days from the date of resubmittal to
717 issue the requested permit or to provide a second written notice
718 to the permit applicant stating which of the previously
719 identified plan features remain in noncompliance with the
720 applicable codes, with specific reference to the relevant code
721 chapters and sections. Any subsequent review by the local
722 building official is limited to the deficiencies cited in the
723 written notice. If the local building official does not provide
724 the second written notice within the prescribed time period, the
725 permit shall be deemed approved as a matter of law, and ~~issued~~
726 ~~by~~ the local building official must issue the permit on the next
727 business day.

728 (d) If the local building official provides a second
729 written notice of plan deficiencies to the permit applicant
730 within the prescribed time period, the permit applicant may
731 elect to dispute the deficiencies pursuant to subsection (13) or
732 to submit additional revisions to correct the deficiencies. For
733 all revisions submitted after the first revision, the local
734 building official has 3 ~~an additional 5~~ business days from the
735 date of resubmittal to issue the requested permit or to provide
736 a written notice to the permit applicant stating which of the
737 previously identified plan features remain in noncompliance with

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738 the applicable codes, with specific reference to the relevant
739 code chapters and sections.

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741 (d) If the local jurisdiction fails to comply with the
742 provisions set forth in this section, the fee owner's contractor
743 that has requested to use a private provider to provide building
744 code inspection services under this section may petition the
745 circuit court for the local jurisdiction to enforce the terms of
746 this section by writ of injunctive or other equitable relief.

747 (18) Each local building code enforcement agency may audit
748 the performance of building code inspection services by private
749 providers operating within the local jurisdiction. However, the
750 same private provider may not be audited more than four times in
751 a calendar year unless the local building official determines a
752 condition of a building constitutes an immediate threat to
753 public safety and welfare. Work on a building or structure may
754 proceed after inspection and approval by a private provider if
755 the provider has given notice of the inspection pursuant to
756 subsection (9) and, subsequent to such inspection and approval,
757 the work shall not be delayed for completion of an inspection
758 audit by the local building code enforcement agency.

759 Section 17. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.

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763 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:
764 An act relating to property development; amending s. 125.01055,
765 F.S.; prohibiting a county from adopting or imposing a
766 requirement in any form relating to affordable housing which has
767 specified effects; providing construction; amending s. 125.022,
768 F.S.; requiring that a county review certain applications for
769 completeness and issue a certain letter within a specified time
770 period after receiving an application for approval of a
771 development permit or development order; providing procedures
772 for addressing deficiencies in, and for approving or denying,
773 the application; conforming provisions to changes made by the
774 act; defining the term "development order"; amending s. 166.033,
775 F.S.; requiring that a municipality review the application for
776 completeness and issue a certain letter within a specified
777 period after receiving an application for approval of a
778 development permit or development order; providing procedures
779 for addressing deficiencies in, and for approving or denying,
780 the application; conforming provisions to changes made by the
781 act; defining the term "development order"; amending s.
782 166.04151, F.S.; prohibiting a municipality from adopting or
783 imposing a requirement in any form relating to affordable
784 housing which has specified effects; providing construction;
785 amending s. 166.045, F.S.; prohibiting a municipality from
786 purchasing specified real properties under certain
787 circumstances; amending s. 171.042, F.S.; prohibiting a

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788 municipality from annexing specified areas under certain
789 circumstances; amending s. 163.3167, F.S.; requiring certain
790 comprehensive plans to incorporate the terms of existing
791 development orders; amending s. 163.3202, F.S.; requiring local
792 land development regulations to incorporate certain existing
793 development orders; amending s. 163.3180, F.S.; requiring a
794 local government to credit certain contributions, constructions,
795 expansions, or payments toward any other impact fee or exaction
796 imposed by local ordinance for public educational facilities;
797 providing requirements for the basis of the credit; amending s.
798 163.31801, F.S.; providing minimum requirements to be satisfied
799 by certain entities before adopting an impact fee; requiring
800 local government to credit against the collection of impact fees
801 certain contributions related to public education facilities;
802 specifying the calculation; requiring a local government to
803 increase certain impact fee credits previously awarded if it
804 increases its impact fee rates; authorizing a county,
805 municipality, or special district to provide certain exemptions
806 or waivers of impact fees in certain circumstances; exempting
807 water and sewer connection fees from the Florida Impact Fee Act;
808 amending s. 163.3215, F.S.; specifying use of summary procedure
809 in certain development order cases; amending s. 252.363, F.S.;
810 revising the circumstances under which a state of emergency
811 declaration tolls and extends the remaining period for certain
812 permits and authorizations; amending s. 420.502, F.S.; providing

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813 intent; amending s. 420.503, F.S.; providing a definition;
814 amending s. 420.5095, F.S.; removing a definition; amending s.
815 553.791, F.S.; providing and revising definitions; revising the
816 timeframe an owner or contractor must notify the building
817 official that he or she is using a private provider; revising
818 the type of affidavit form to be used by private providers under
819 certain circumstances; revising the timeframe within which a
820 building official has to approve or deny a permit application;
821 limiting a building official's review of a resubmitted permit
822 application to previously identified deficiencies; authorizing a
823 contractor to petition the circuit court to enforce the terms of
824 certain building code inspection service laws; limiting the
825 number of times a building official may audit a private
826 provider, with exceptions; providing an effective date.

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