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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate . Comm: RCS . 03/21/2019 . .

The Committee on Community Affairs (Hooper) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 60 - 93

and insert:

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(2) A property owner may not transfer, for consideration, ownership of a parcel that includes a swimming pool unless the swimming pool meets at least two of the requirements under subsection (1).

<u>(3)</u> A person who fails to equip a new residential swimming pool with at least <u>two</u> one pool safety <u>features</u> feature

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11 as required in subsection (1) or subsection (2) commits a 12 noncriminal violation misdemeanor of the second degree, 13 punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083, except that 14 a penalty may not no penalty shall be imposed if the person, within 45 days after arrest or issuance of a citation summons or 15 a notice to appear, has equipped the pool with at least two one 16 17 safety features feature as required in subsection (1) or 18 subsection (2) and has attended a drowning prevention education 19 program established by s. 515.31. However, the requirement of 20 attending a drowning prevention education program is waived if 21 such program is not offered within 45 days after issuance of the 22 citation.

Section 4. Subsection (1) of section 515.31, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

515.31 Drowning prevention education program; public information publication.-

27 (1) The department shall develop a drowning prevention 28 education program, which shall be made available to the public 29 at the state and local levels and which shall be required as set 30 forth in s. $515.27(3) \frac{5.515.27(2)}{5.515.27(2)}$ for persons in violation of 31 the pool safety requirements of this chapter. The department may 32 charge a fee, not to exceed \$100, for attendance at such a 33 program. The drowning prevention education program shall be 34 funded using fee proceeds, state funds appropriated for such 35 purpose, and grants. The department, in lieu of developing its 36 own program, may adopt a nationally recognized drowning 37 prevention education program to be approved for use in local 38 safety education programs, as provided in rule of the 39 department.

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40	Section 5. This act shall take effect October 1, 2019.
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42	========= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ============
43	And the title is amended as follows:
44	Delete lines 10 - 13
45	and insert:
46	property owner from transferring ownership of a parcel
47	that includes a swimming pool unless certain
48	requirements are met; providing civil penalties rather
49	than criminal penalties; amending s. 515.31, F.S.;
50	conforming