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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Commerce Committee Representative Botana offered the following:

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Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert: Section 1. Subsection (18) of section 633.202, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

633.202 Florida Fire Prevention Code.-

9 The authority having jurisdiction shall determine the (18)10 minimum radio signal strength for fire department communications 11 in all new high-rise and existing high-rise buildings. Two-way radio communication enhancement systems or equivalent systems 12 may be used to comply with the minimum radio signal strength 13 requirements. However, two-way radio communication enhancement 14 15 systems or equivalent systems are not required in apartment buildings 75 feet or less in height that are constructed using 16 945875 - h0785-strike.docx Published On: 2/22/2022 9:18:58 PM

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wood framing, provided that the building has less than 150 17 18 dwelling units and that all dwelling units discharge to the 19 exterior or to a corridor that leads directly to an exit as defined by the Florida Building Code. Evidence of wood frame 20 21 construction shall be shown by the owner providing building 22 permit documentation which identifies the construction type as 23 wood frame. Existing high-rise buildings, as defined by the 24 Florida Building code are not required to comply with minimum 25 radio strength for fire department communications and two-way 26 radio communication enhancement systems system enhancement communications as required by the Florida Fire Prevention Code 27 28 until January 1, 2025. However, by January 1, 2024, an existing 29 high-rise building that is not in compliance with the 30 requirements for minimum radio strength for fire department 31 communications must apply for an appropriate permit for the 32 required installation with the local government agency having 33 jurisdiction and must demonstrate that the building will become 34 compliant by January 1, 2025. Existing high-rise apartment 35 buildings are not required to comply until January 1, 2025. 36 However, existing high-rise apartment buildings are required to apply for the appropriate permit for the required communications 37 installation by January 1, 2024. 38

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

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