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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Agriculture & Natural
 2 Resources Appropriations Subcommittee
 3 Representative Truenow offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Section 403.9339, Florida Statutes, is created
to read:

403.9339 Golf course best management practices
certification.—

(1) To provide a means of documenting and ensuring
compliance with best management practices for fertilizer
application to golf courses, the turfgrass science program at
the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural
Sciences, in coordination with the department, shall administer
a certification for golf course best management practices.

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17 (2) The turfgrass science program at the University of
18 Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, in
19 cooperation with the department, shall:

20 (a) Provide training and testing programs in golf course
21 best management practices and may issue certificates
22 demonstrating satisfactory completion of the training.

23 (b) Approve training and testing programs in golf course
24 best management practices that are equivalent to or more
25 comprehensive than the programs provided by the turfgrass
26 science program at the University of Florida Institute of Food
27 and Agricultural Sciences under paragraph (a). Such programs
28 must be reviewed and reapproved by the turfgrass science program
29 at the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural
30 Sciences if significant changes are made.

31 (3) To obtain a golf course best management practices
32 certification, an applicant must submit to the turfgrass science
33 program at the University of Florida Institute of Food and
34 Agricultural Sciences a copy of the training certificate issued
35 under subsection (2).

36 (4) A golf course best management practices certification
37 issued under this section expires 4 years after the date of
38 issuance. Upon expiration of the certification, or after a grace
39 period of not more than 30 days after the expiration date, a
40 recertification may be issued.

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42 (5) To obtain a golf course best management practices
43 recertification, an applicant must submit to the turfgrass
44 science program at the University of Florida Institute of Food
45 and Agricultural Sciences proof of having completed the 8
46 classroom hours of continuing education, of which at least 2
47 hours must address fertilizer best management practices.

48 (6) A person certified under this section is exempt from:

49 (a) Additional local training.

50 (b) Local ordinances relating to water and fertilizer use
51 blackout periods or restrictions, unless a state of emergency is
52 declared.

53 (7) This section does not exempt a person certified under
54 this section from complying with the rules and requirements of
55 basin management action plans set forth in s. 403.067(7) if the
56 golf course is located within a basin management action plan.

57 (8)(a) The turfgrass science program at the University of
58 Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences may provide
59 the certification status of persons certified under this section
60 to local and state governmental entities.

61 (b) The turfgrass science program at the University of
62 Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences is
63 encouraged to create a registry of persons certified under this
64 section on its website.

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

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Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:
An act relating to golf course best management practices certification; creating s. 403.9339, F.S.; directing the turfgrass science program at the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences to work and cooperate with the Department of Environmental Protection to administer a certification for golf course best management practices and provide and approve certification training and testing programs; providing certification and recertification requirements; providing that such certification exempts persons from certain local testing and local ordinance regulations; providing an exception; providing construction; authorizing the turfgrass science program at the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences to share certification information with local and state governmental entities; encouraging the turfgrass science program at the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences to create an online certification registry; providing an effective date.