

By Senator Boyd

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to roof repair, replacement, and
3 recovering requirements; amending s. 553.844, F.S.;
4 providing that the entire roofing system or roof
5 section of certain existing buildings or structures
6 does not have to be repaired, replaced, or recovered
7 in accordance with the Florida Building Code under
8 certain circumstances; requiring the Florida Building
9 Commission to adopt rules and incorporate the rules
10 into the building code; prohibiting local governments
11 from adopting certain administrative or technical
12 amendments to the building code; providing an
13 effective date.

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

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17 Section 1. Subsection (5) is added to section 553.844,
18 Florida Statutes, to read:

19 553.844 Windstorm loss mitigation; requirements for roofs
20 and opening protection.—

21 (5) Notwithstanding any provision in the Florida Building
22 Code to the contrary, if an existing roofing system or roof
23 section was built, repaired, or replaced in compliance with the
24 requirements of the 2007 Florida Building Code, or any
25 subsequent editions of the Florida Building Code, and 25 percent
26 or more of such roofing system or roof section is being
27 repaired, replaced, or recovered, only the repaired, replaced,
28 or recovered portion is required to be constructed in accordance
29 with the Florida Building Code in effect, as applicable. The

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30 Florida Building Commission shall adopt this exception by rule
31 and incorporate it in the Florida Building Code. Notwithstanding
32 s. 553.73(4), a local government may not adopt by ordinance an
33 administrative or technical amendment to this exception.

34 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.