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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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Senator Hooper moved the following: 1 Senate Amendment (with title amendment) 2 3 Delete lines 262 - 350 4 and insert: 5 controlled territories. The term includes trade practices that 6 are prohibited by federal regulations issued in compliance with 7 50 U.S.C. s. 4842 and does not include trade practices that are preempted by federal law The term does not include restrictive 8 9 trade practices or boycotts fostered or imposed by foreign 10 countries against Israel. (b) "Company" means a sole proprietorship, organization, 11

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12 association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited 13 partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability 14 company, or other entity or business association, including all 15 wholly owned subsidiaries, majority-owned subsidiaries, and 16 parent companies, that exists for the purpose of making profit.

(c) "Direct holdings" in a company means all securities of that company that are held directly by the public fund or in an account or fund in which the public fund owns all shares or interests.

(d) "Indirect holdings" in a company means all securities of that company that are held in a commingled fund or other collective investment, such as a mutual fund, in which the public fund owns shares or interests, together with other investors not subject to this section or which are held in an index fund.

(e) "Public fund" means all funds, assets, trustee, and
other designates under the State Board of Administration
pursuant to part I of chapter 121.

30 (f) "Scrutinized companies" means companies that boycott 31 Israel or engage in a boycott of Israel.

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(2) IDENTIFICATION OF COMPANIES.-

33 (a) The public fund shall make its best efforts to identify 34 all scrutinized companies in which the public fund has direct or 35 indirect holdings or could possibly have such holdings in the 36 future. Such efforts include:

To the extent that the public fund finds it appropriate,
 reviewing and relying on publicly available information
 regarding companies that boycott Israel, including information
 provided by nonprofit organizations, research firms,

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41 international organizations, and government entities;
42 2. Contacting asset managers contracted by the public fund
43 for information regarding companies that boycott Israel; or

3. Contacting other institutional investors that prohibit
such investments or that have engaged with companies that
boycott Israel.

(b) By the first meeting of the public fund following the identification of scrutinized companies in accordance with paragraph (a), the public fund shall compile and make available the "Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List."

(c) The public fund shall update and make publicly available quarterly the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List based on evolving information from, among other sources, those listed in paragraph (a).

(3) REQUIRED ACTIONS.—The public fund shall adhere to the following procedures for assembling companies on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List.

(a) Engagement.-

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1. The public fund shall immediately determine the companies on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List in which the public fund owns direct or indirect holdings.

62 2. For each company newly identified under this paragraph, 63 the public fund shall send a written notice informing the 64 company of its scrutinized company status and that it may become 65 subject to investment prohibition or divestment by the public fund. The notice must inform the company of the opportunity to 66 67 clarify its activities regarding the boycott of Israel and encourage the company to cease the boycott of Israel within 90 68 69 days in order to avoid qualifying for investment prohibition or

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3. If, within 90 days after the public fund's first engagement with a company pursuant to this paragraph, the company ceases a boycott of Israel, the company shall be removed from the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, and the provisions of this section shall cease to apply to that company unless that company resumes a boycott of Israel.

(b) Divestment.-

1. If, after 90 days following the public fund's first engagement with a company pursuant to paragraph (a), the company continues to boycott Israel, the public fund must sell, redeem, divest, or withdraw all publicly traded securities of the company from the public fund within 12 months after the company's most recent appearance on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List.

2. If a company that ceased a boycott of Israel following engagement pursuant to paragraph (a) resumes such activities, this paragraph immediately applies, and the public fund must send a written notice to the company. The company must also be immediately reintroduced onto the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, as applicable.

91 (c) (b) Prohibition.—The public fund is prohibited from 92 acquiring may not acquire securities of companies on the 93 Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, except as 94 provided in paragraph (d) (c) and subsection (6).

(d) (c) Excluded securities.—Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, paragraphs (b) and (c) do paragraph (b) does not apply to:

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100	And the title is amended as follows:
101	Delete line 52
102	and insert:
103	procedures; revising applicability; reenacting ss.
104	112.661(5)(a),