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A bill to be entitled
 An act relating to unlawful demolition of historical structures and landmarks; amending s. 162.09, F.S.; providing for enhanced fines for the unlawful demolition of certain historical structures and landmarks; providing that fines may not exceed a specified amount; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (e) is added to subsection (2) of section 162.09, Florida Statutes, to read:

162.09 Administrative fines; costs of repair; liens.—
 (2)

(e) The demolition of a structure individually listed on, or contributing to, the National Register of Historic Places or of an individually listed local historic landmark may be the basis for an enhanced fine if the code enforcement board or special magistrate makes specific findings based on competent, substantial evidence that the demolition of the historic structure or landmark was not permitted and was not the result of a natural disaster. Fines imposed by the code enforcement board or special magistrate may not to exceed an amount that is 20 percent of the value of the property as identified in the property appraiser's evaluation of its fair market value.

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26 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024. |