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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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Senator Hutson moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 279 - 383

and insert:

Section 6. For the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the sum of \$2 million in recurring funds is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the University of Florida to update continually both the Florida Wildlife Corridor plan and the Florida Ecological Greenways Network plan.

Section 7. From the funds distributed to the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to s. 380.095(2)(d), Florida



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12 Statutes, and for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the sum of \$5
13 million in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the Water
14 Protection and Sustainability Program Trust Fund within the
15 Department of Environmental Protection to the department to
16 coordinate with the Water School at Florida Gulf Coast
17 University to conduct a study to identify and analyze potential
18 regional projects that meet the eligibility criteria set forth
19 in s. 403.0673, Florida Statutes. At a minimum, the study must
20 include the collection and consolidation of data regarding water
21 quality to identify potential regional projects, including
22 stormwater, hydrologic improvements, and innovative
23 technologies, which reduce nutrient loading to water bodies
24 identified in s. 403.0673(1), Florida Statutes. The department
25 shall submit a report to the Executive Office of the Governor,
26 the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of
27 Representatives by January 3, 2025.

28 Section 8. From the funds distributed to the Indian Gaming
29 Revenue Clearing Trust Fund within the Department of Financial
30 Services pursuant to s. 380.095(2)(a), Florida Statutes, and for
31 the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the sum of \$100 million in
32 nonrecurring funds is appropriated from trust funds to
33 Administered Funds for land acquisition pursuant to s.
34 380.095(2)(a), Florida Statutes.

35 Section 9. From the funds distributed to the Department of
36 Environmental Protection pursuant to s. 380.095(2)(b)1., Florida
37 Statutes, and for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the sum of \$4
38 million in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the Internal
39 Improvement Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental
40 Protection for the purpose of implementing the Local Trail



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41 Management Grant Program created pursuant to s. 260.0145,
42 Florida Statutes.

43 Section 10. From the funds distributed to the Department of
44 Environmental Protection pursuant to s. 380.095(2)(b)1., Florida
45 Statutes, and for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the sum of \$32
46 million in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the State
47 Park Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental
48 Protection for land management activities as specified in s.
49 380.095(2)(b)1.a., Florida Statutes.

50 Section 11. From the funds distributed to the Department of
51 Agriculture and Consumer Services pursuant to s.
52 380.095(2)(b)2., Florida Statutes, and for the 2024-2025 fiscal
53 year, the sum of \$32 million in nonrecurring funds is
54 appropriated from the Incidental Trust Fund within the
55 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for land
56 management activities as specified in s. 380.095(2)(b)2.,
57 Florida Statutes.

58 Section 12. From the funds distributed to the Fish and
59 Wildlife Conservation Commission pursuant to s. 380.095(2)(b)3.,
60 Florida Statutes, and for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the sum of
61 \$32 million in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the State
62 Game Trust Fund within the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
63 Commission for control of invasive species and upland land
64 management activities pursuant to s. 380.095(2)(b)3., Florida
65 Statutes, or s. 259.1055, Florida Statutes.

66 Section 13. From the funds distributed to the Department of
67 Environmental Protection pursuant to s. 380.095(2)(c), Florida
68 Statutes, and for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the sum of \$100
69 million in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the Resilient



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70 Florida Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental
71 Protection for the Statewide Flooding and Sea Level Rise
72 Resilience Plan pursuant to s. 380.093, Florida Statutes.

73 Section 14. From the funds distributed to the Department of
74 Environmental Protection pursuant to s. 380.095(2)(d), Florida
75 Statutes, and for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the sum of \$79
76 million in nonrecurring funds is appropriated from the Water
77 Protection and Sustainability Program Trust Fund within the
78 Department of Environmental Protection for the Water Quality
79 Improvement Grant Program pursuant to s. 403.0673, Florida
80 Statutes.

81 Section 15. For the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the sum of \$150
82 million in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is
83 appropriated in the Aid to Local Governments - Grants and Aids -
84 South Florida Water Management District - Operations
85 appropriation category to the South Florida Water Management
86 District for operations and maintenance responsibilities under
87 the purview of the district. The funds must be placed in
88 reserve. From the funds, the district shall enter into a
89 contract with the Water School at Florida Gulf Coast University
90 to conduct a study of the health and ecosystem of Lake
91 Okeechobee. The study must take into account the health of
92 plants, fish, and wildlife to be used for future planning of
93 invasive plant control, replanting of native vegetation, and
94 fish and game management. A report must be submitted by January
95 1, 2025, to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President
96 of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
97 The Department of Environmental Protection is authorized to
98 submit budget amendments to request release of funds pursuant to



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99 chapter 216, Florida Statutes. Release is contingent upon the
100 submission of a spend plan and negotiated draft contract between
101 the South Florida Water Management District and the Florida Gulf
102 Coast University Water School.

103 Section 16. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law
104 if SB 7080 or similar legislation is adopted in the same
105 legislative session or an extension thereof and becomes a law.

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107 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

108 And the title is amended as follows:

109 Delete lines 50 - 55

110 and insert:

111 for the study; requiring that a report be submitted to
112 the Executive Office of the Governor and the
113 Legislature by a specified date; authorizing the
114 Department of Environmental Protection to submit
115 budget amendments for the release of specified funds;
116 providing a contingent effective date.