1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to regulation of auxiliary containers;
3	amending s. 403.703, F.S.; defining the term
4	"auxiliary container"; amending s. 403.7033, F.S.;
5	removing obsolete provisions requiring the Department
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	of Environmental Protection to review and update a
7	specified report; prohibiting local regulation of
8	auxiliary containers; preempting such regulation to
9	the state; amending s. 403.707, F.S.; conforming
10	cross-references; providing an effective date.
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12	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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14	Section 1. Subsections (2) through (48) of section
15	403.703, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as sections (3)
16	through (49), respectively, present subsection (35) of that
17	section is amended, and a new subsection (2) is added to that
18	section, to read:
19	403.703 Definitions.—As used in this part, the term:
20	(2) "Auxiliary container" means a reusable or single-use
21	bag, cup, bottle, or other packaging that meets both of the
22	following requirements:
23	(a) Is made of cloth; paper; plastic, including, but not
24	limited to, foamed plastic, expanded plastic, or polystyrene;
25	cardboard; molded fiber; corrugated material; aluminum; glass;
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26 postconsumer recycled material; or similar material or 27 substrates, including coated, laminated, or multilayer 28 substrates. 29 (b) Is designed for transporting, consuming, or protecting merchandise, food, or beverages from or at a food service or 30 31 retail facility. 32 (36) (35) "Solid waste" means sludge unregulated under the 33 federal Clean Water Act or Clean Air Act, sludge from a waste 34 treatment works, water supply treatment plant, or air pollution control facility, or garbage, rubbish, refuse, special waste, or 35 36 other discarded material, including solid, liquid, semisolid, or contained gaseous material resulting from domestic, industrial, 37 38 commercial, mining, agricultural, or governmental operations. 39 Recovered materials as defined in subsection (29) (28) and postuse polymers as defined in subsection (25) (24) are not solid 40 41 waste. Section 2. Section 403.7033, Florida Statutes, is amended 42 43 to read: 403.7033 Preemption of regulation for auxiliary containers 44 45 Departmental analysis of particular recyclable materials.-The Legislature finds that prudent regulation of recyclable 46 47 materials is crucial to the ongoing welfare of Florida's ecology 48 and economy. As such, the Department of Environmental Protection 49 shall review and update its 2010 report on retail bags analyzing the need for new or different regulation of auxiliary 50

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51 containers, wrappings, or disposable plastic bags used by 52 consumers to carry products from retail establishments. The 53 updated report must include input from state and local 54 government agencies, stakeholders, private businesses, and 55 citizens and must evaluate the efficacy and necessity of both 56 statewide and local regulation of these materials. To ensure 57 consistent and effective implementation, the department shall submit the updated report with conclusions and recommendations 58 59 to the Legislature no later than December 31, 2021. Until such time that the Legislature adopts the recommendations of the 60 61 department, A local government, local governmental agency, or state governmental agency may not enact any rule, regulation, or 62 ordinance regarding use, disposition, sale, prohibition, 63 64 restriction, or tax of such auxiliary containers. The regulation of auxiliary containers is expressly preempted to the state τ 65 66 wrappings, or disposable plastic bags. 67 Section 3. Paragraph (j) of subsection (9) of section 68 403.707, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

403.707 Permits.-

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(9) The department shall establish a separate category for solid waste management facilities that accept only construction and demolition debris for disposal or recycling. The department shall establish a reasonable schedule for existing facilities to comply with this section to avoid undue hardship to such facilities. However, a permitted solid waste disposal unit that

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76 receives a significant amount of waste prior to the compliance 77 deadline established in this schedule shall not be required to 78 be retrofitted with liners or leachate control systems.

79 (j) The Legislature recognizes that recycling, waste reduction, and resource recovery are important aspects of an 80 integrated solid waste management program and as such are 81 82 necessary to protect the public health and the environment. If 83 necessary to promote such an integrated program, the county may 84 determine, after providing notice and an opportunity for a hearing prior to April 30, 2008, that some or all of the 85 material described in s. 403.703(7)(b) s. 403.703(6)(b) shall be 86 87 excluded from the definition of "construction and demolition debris" in s. 403.703(7) s. 403.703(6) within the jurisdiction 88 89 of such county. The county may make such a determination only if it finds that, prior to June 1, 2007, the county has established 90 91 an adequate method for the use or recycling of such wood 92 material at an existing or proposed solid waste management 93 facility that is permitted or authorized by the department on 94 June 1, 2007. The county is not required to hold a hearing if 95 the county represents that it previously has held a hearing for 96 such purpose, or if the county represents that it previously has held a public meeting or hearing that authorized such method for 97 98 the use or recycling of trash or other nonputrescible waste materials and that such materials include those materials 99 described in s. 403.703(7)(b) s. 403.703(6)(b). The county shall 100

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101provide written notice of its determination to the department by102no later than April 30, 2008; thereafter, the materials103described in $\underline{s. 403.703(7)}$ $\underline{s. 403.703(6)}$ shall be excluded from104the definition of "construction and demolition debris" in $\underline{s.}$ 105 $\underline{403.703(7)}$ $\underline{s. 403.703(6)}$ within the jurisdiction of such county.106The county may withdraw or revoke its determination at any time107by providing written notice to the department.

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Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.

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