

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to low-voltage alarm system projects;  
 3           amending s. 553.793, F.S.; specifying that a  
 4           nonelectric fence or wall must enclose the outside  
 5           perimeter of a low-voltage electric fence; requiring a  
 6           low-voltage electric fence to be a specified number of  
 7           feet above such nonelectric fence or wall; permitting  
 8           low-voltage electric fences to be installed in areas  
 9           within more than one zoning category; prohibiting a  
 10          municipality, county, district, or other entity of  
 11          local government from adopting or maintaining certain  
 12          ordinances or rules that provide additional  
 13          requirements for low-voltage alarm system projects;  
 14          providing an effective date.

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

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 18           Section 1. Paragraphs (b) and (d) of subsection (3) and  
 19           subsection (10) of section 553.793, Florida Statutes, are  
 20           amended to read:  
 21           553.793 Streamlined low-voltage alarm system installation  
 22           permitting.—  
 23           (3) A low-voltage electric fence must meet all of the  
 24           following requirements to be permitted as a low-voltage alarm  
 25           system project, and no further permit shall be required for the

26 | low-voltage alarm system project other than as provided in this  
 27 | section:

28 |       (b) A nonelectric fence or wall must completely enclose  
 29 | the outside perimeter of the low-voltage electric fence. The  
 30 | low-voltage electric fence must ~~may~~ be ~~up to~~ 2 feet higher than  
 31 | the perimeter nonelectric fence or wall.

32 |       (d) ~~A~~ The low-voltage electric fence is allowed ~~shall not~~  
 33 | ~~be installed~~ in any ~~an~~ area unless the area is zoned exclusively  
 34 | for single-family or multifamily residential use. An area is not  
 35 | considered to be zoned exclusively for single-family or  
 36 | multifamily residential use if the area is within more than one  
 37 | zoning category.

38 |       (10) A municipality, county, district, or other entity of  
 39 | local government may not adopt or maintain in effect any  
 40 | ordinance or rule regarding a low-voltage alarm system project  
 41 | that provides additional requirements beyond those set out in  
 42 | this section for the installation or maintenance of a low-  
 43 | voltage alarm system project or that is otherwise ~~is~~  
 44 | inconsistent with this section.

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