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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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Senator Garcia moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

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Delete lines 46 - 60

and insert:

Section 1. Present paragraphs (c) through (i) of subsection (2) of section 380.0933, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as paragraphs (e) through (k), respectively, new paragraphs (c) and (d) are added to that subsection, and subsections (1) and (4) of that section are amended, to read:

380.0933 Florida Flood Hub for Applied Research and Innovation.

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- (1) The Florida Flood Hub for Applied Research and Innovation is established within the University of South Florida College of Marine Science to coordinate efforts between the academic and research institutions of the state. The University of South Florida College of Marine Science or its successor entity will serve as the lead institution and engage other academic and research institutions, private partners, and financial sponsors to coordinate efforts to support applied research and innovation to address the flooding and sea level rise challenges of the state.
 - (2) The hub shall, at a minimum:
- (c) Develop design guidelines and standards for optimal combinations of green and gray infrastructure to address sea level rise and the impact of storm surges.
- (d) Model the effects, including flood risk reduction and socioeconomic benefits, of conceptual designs of green infrastructure and hybrid green-gray infrastructure, and the integration of green natural systems into gray infrastructure systems, on this state's coastal resilience.
- (4) The hub shall be led by employ an executive director who is appointed by and reports to the President of the University of South Florida, or the president's designee.

======= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= And the title is amended as follows:

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39 and insert:

specifying that the Florida Flood Hub for Applied

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Research and Innovation is established within the University of South Florida, rather than within the University of South Florida College of Marine Science; requiring the hub to develop design guidelines and standards for optimal combinations of green and gray infrastructure and to model the effects of conceptual designs of certain green and gray infrastructure; providing for the appointment of an executive director to lead the hub; creating s. 380.0938,