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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Transportation (Harrell) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 39 - 119

and insert:

Section 2. Paragraph (i) of subsection (1) of section 255.065, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

255.065 Public-private partnerships.—

(1) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:

(i) “Qualifying project” means:

1. A facility or project that serves a public purpose,



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including, but not limited to, any ferry or mass transit facility, vehicle parking facility, airport or seaport facility, rail facility or project, fuel supply facility, oil or gas pipeline, medical or nursing care facility, recreational facility, sporting or cultural facility, or educational facility or other building or facility that is used or will be used by a public educational institution, or any other public facility or infrastructure that is used or will be used by the public at large or in support of an accepted public purpose or activity;

2. An improvement, including equipment, of a building that will be principally used by a public entity or the public at large or that supports a service delivery system in the public sector;

3. A water, wastewater, or surface water management facility or other related infrastructure; ~~or~~

4. Notwithstanding any provision of this section, for projects that involve a facility owned or operated by the governing board of a county, district, or municipal hospital or health care system, or projects that involve a facility owned or operated by a municipal electric utility, only those projects that the governing board designates as qualifying projects pursuant to this section; or

5. Vertiports and charging systems.

Section 3. Section 330.412, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

330.412 Limitation of liability for certain public vertiport operators.—

(1) For purposes of this section, the term "vertiport" has the same meaning as in s. 332.151(1).



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(2) For vertiports that are colocated with a public airport, the vertiport operator shall be considered an agency or subdivision of this state for purposes of s. 768.28 and is entitled to sovereign immunity to the same extent as a public airport operator.

(3) This section expires July 1, 2036, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete lines 3 - 13

and insert:

short title; amending s. 255.065, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "qualifying project"; creating s. 330.412, F.S.; defining the term "vertiport"; providing that certain vertiport operators are considered an agency or subdivision of this state for certain purposes and are entitled to sovereign immunity to a specified extent; providing for future legislative review and repeal; amending s. 332.007, F.S.; revising the