

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Bill No. HB 1421 (2026)

Amendment No.

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)

ADOPTED AS AMENDED \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)

ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)

FAILED TO ADOPT \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)

WITHDRAWN \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)

OTHER

Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: State Affairs Committee  
Representative Cross offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

Remove lines 86-117 and insert:

the land managing entity must identify existing grazable lands  
and consider whether leasing portions of the land to private  
entities for cattle grazing is appropriate based on any  
ecological, wildlife, and public recreation goals of such lands.  
When determining such appropriateness, the managing entity must  
consider, if such land were to be leased for cattle grazing, a  
maximum stocking rate; grazing term, if not continuous; method  
of animal containment; and sources of water and forage  
available. Any lands determined to be appropriate for cattle  
grazing must be described in the land management plan, and the  
land managing entity must allow such lands to be leased for such

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17 purpose. Cattle grazing leases shall not allow the conversion of  
18 native wildlife habitat to improved pasture. If the land  
19 managing entity determines no portions of the land are  
20 appropriate for such leases, the entity must include an  
21 explanation for its determination in the land management plan.

22 (h)~~(g)~~ The Division of State Lands shall make available to  
23 the public at least 30 days before the public hearing required  
24 by paragraph (g)~~(f)~~ an electronic copy of each land management  
25 plan for parcels that exceed 160 acres in size and for parcels  
26 located within a state park. The division shall review each plan  
27 for compliance with the requirements of this subsection, the  
28 requirements of chapter 259, and the requirements of the rules  
29 adopted by the board of trustees pursuant to this section. The  
30 Acquisition and Restoration Council shall also consider the  
31 propriety of the recommendations of the managing entity with  
32 regard to the future use of the property, the protection of  
33 fragile or nonrenewable resources, the potential for alternative  
34 or multiple uses not recognized by the managing entity, and the  
35 possibility of disposal of the property by the board of  
36 trustees. After its review, the council shall submit the plan,  
37 along with its recommendations and comments, to the board of  
38 trustees. The council shall specifically recommend to the board  
39 of trustees whether to approve the plan as submitted, approve  
40 the plan with modifications, or reject the plan. If the council  
41 fails to make a recommendation for a land management plan, the

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Secretary of Environmental Protection, Commissioner of Agriculture, or executive director of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission or their designees must submit the land management plan to the board of trustees.

**Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 369.252, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:**

369.252 Invasive plant control on public lands.—The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission shall establish a program to:

(3) Contract, or enter into agreements, with entities in the State University System or other governmental or private sector entities for research concerning control agents; production and growth of biological control agents; and development of workable methods for the eradication or maintenance control of invasive exotic plants on public lands, including the use of cattle grazing; and

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**T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T**

Remove lines 4-10 and insert:

entities to identify existing grazable lands and consider whether leasing portions of such land to private entities for cattle grazing is appropriate based on certain goals; requiring land managing entities to consider certain information when

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67 determining such appropriateness; providing  
68 requirements for the land management plan if such  
69 lands are determined to be appropriate for cattle  
70 grazing; requiring land managing entities to allow  
71 such lands to be leased for such purpose under certain  
72 conditions; providing cattle grazing leases shall not  
73 allow the conversion of native wildlife habitat to  
74 improved pasture; providing a requirement for the land  
75 management plan if no portions of such land are  
76 appropriate for cattle grazing; amending s. 369.252,  
77 F.S.; revising requirements for a Fish and Wildlife  
78 Conservation Commission program to control invasive  
79 plants; providing applicability; providing an  
80 effective date.