

# FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## BILL ANALYSIS

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**BILL #:** [CS/CS/HB 399](#)

**TITLE:** Land Use and Development Regulations

**SPONSOR(S):** Borrero

**COMPANION BILL:** [CS/SB 208](#) (McClain)

**LINKED BILLS:** None

**RELATED BILLS:** None

### Committee References

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## SUMMARY

### Effect of the Bill:

The bill makes the following changes concerning land use and development regulations:

- Requires application fees for development permits and orders to reasonably related to the costs associated with reviewing and processing the application and prohibits fees based on a percentage of project costs.
- Provides that the exclusive method for the transmittal and adoption of an amendment to the future land use element of a comprehensive plan is by a majority vote of the members of the governing body present at the hearing, notwithstanding any county charter provision to the contrary.
- Requires each local government's comprehensive plan and land development regulations to include factors for assessing compatibility of residential uses and establishes requirements for examining an application for development for compatibility.

The bill requires Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) to conduct a study to identify the effect of removing the Urban Development Boundary or similar boundaries in Miami-Dade County and other counties. The bill requires the study to contain certain specified elements and for OPPAGA to report its conclusions by December 1, 2026.

### Fiscal or Economic Impact:

The bill may have an indeterminate negative fiscal impact on state government and local governments and an indeterminate positive economic impact on applicants for development permits and orders.

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## ANALYSIS

### EFFECT OF THE BILL:

#### [Application Fees for Development Permits and Orders](#)

The bill requires the amount of any application fee charged by a county or municipality for a development permit or development order be reasonably related to the direct and reasonable indirect costs associated with the review, processing, and final disposition of the application. These rates must be published by the local government as part of their fee schedule. The bill prohibits a county or municipality from charging an application fee for a development permit or order that is based on a percentage of construction costs, site costs, or project valuation. This provision of the bill is effective on January 1, 2027. (Sections [1](#) and [2](#))

#### [Approval of Comprehensive Plan Amendments](#)

The bill provides that the exclusive method for the transmittal and adoption of an amendment to the [future land use element](#) of a [comprehensive plan](#) is by a majority vote of the members of the governing body present at the hearing, notwithstanding any county charter provision to the contrary. (Section [3](#))

#### [Compatibility](#)

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The bill requires each local government's comprehensive plan and [land development regulations](#) to include factors for assessing the compatibility of allowable residential uses within residential [zoning](#) districts and within the residential future land use category. These factors may include intensity, density, scale, building size, mass, bulk, height and orientation, lot coverage, lot size and configuration, architectural style, permeability, screening, buffers, setbacks, stepbacks, transitional areas, signage, traffic and pedestrian circulation and access, and operational impacts, such as noise, odor, and lighting.

The bill provides that land development regulations must incorporate objective design standards or other measures for mitigating or minimizing potential incompatibility. (Section [4](#))

The bill requires local government staff reviewing an application for rezoning, subdivision, or site plan approval to identify with specificity each area of incompatibility before recommending denial of an application. The bill requires that a denial of an application on compatibility grounds must specify the area or areas of incompatibility with particularity, including the applicable evaluation standards used, an explanation of any mitigation measures the applicant has considered and declined, or the basis for determining that no feasible mitigation measures exist. References to "community character" or "neighborhood feel" are not sufficient in and of themselves to support a denial of an application on compatibility grounds. (Section [4](#))

The bill provides that local government staff may recommend mitigation measures to the applicant. If an applicant proposes mitigation measures, the bill prohibits a local government from denying an application on compatibility grounds unless the denial contains written findings stating that the proposed mitigation measures are inadequate and no feasible mitigation measures exist. The bill provides that a local government's approval of an application may include requirements or conditions to mitigate or minimize compatibility concerns. (Section [4](#))

These provisions do not apply to:

- Compatibility between uses in different future land use categories, including rural, agricultural, conservation, open space, mixed-use, industrial, or commercial use;
- Applications for development within planned unit developments or master planned communities; or
- Applications for development within historic districts designated before January 1, 2026. (Section [4](#))

These provisions do not require a local government to approve an application that is otherwise inconsistent with the applicable local government comprehensive plan or land development regulations. (Section [4](#))

This provision of the bill is effective on January 1, 2027. (Section [4](#))

### **Development Boundary Study**

The bill requires the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to conduct a study to identify the effect of removing the Urban Development Boundary or similar boundaries in Miami-Dade County and other counties. The results of the study must be submitted to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 1, 2026. The bill requires that the study:

- Address whether counties may still control growth through other zoning and land use designations.
- Include an analysis of the economic benefits related to the cost of land and housing.
- Analyze whether local counties can still protect the environment and water quality without having a urban development boundary or a similar boundary within their jurisdiction. (Section [5](#))

### **Effective Date**

The bill is effective upon becoming a law, but the provisions concerning application fees and compatibility are effective January 1, 2027. (Section [6](#))

### **FISCAL OR ECONOMIC IMPACT:**

**STATE GOVERNMENT:**

The bill may have an indeterminate negative fiscal impact on state government to the extent additional comprehensive plan amendments that must be reviewed by the Department of Commerce are adopted by local governments.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT:**

The bill may have an indeterminate negative fiscal impact on local governments that charge application fees for development permits and orders in excess of the limitations provided by the bill.

**PRIVATE SECTOR:**

The bill may have an indeterminate positive economic impact on developers to the extent local government application fees for development permits and orders are reduced to comply with the provisions of the bill.

**RELEVANT INFORMATION****SUBJECT OVERVIEW:****Comprehensive Planning**

The Community Planning Act<sup>1</sup> provides counties and municipalities with the power to plan for future development by adopting comprehensive plans.<sup>2</sup> Each county and municipality must maintain a comprehensive plan to guide future development and growth.<sup>3</sup>

All development, both public and private, and all development orders approved by local governments must be consistent with the local government's comprehensive plan.<sup>4</sup> A comprehensive plan is intended to provide for the future use of land, which contemplates a gradual and ordered growth, and establishes a long-range maximum limit on the possible intensity of land use.<sup>5</sup>

A locality's comprehensive plan lays out the locations for future public facilities, including roads, water and sewer facilities, neighborhoods, parks, schools, and commercial and industrial developments.<sup>6</sup> A comprehensive plan is made up of 10 required elements, each laying out regulations for a different facet of development.<sup>7</sup> Local governments may also include optional elements in their comprehensive plan.<sup>8</sup> The 10 required elements are:

- Capital improvements.
- Future land use plan.
- Transportation.
- General sanitary sewer, solid waste, drainage, potable water and natural groundwater aquifer recharge.
- Conservation.
- Recreation and open space.
- Housing.
- Coastal management.
- Intergovernmental coordination.
- Property rights.<sup>9</sup>

<sup>1</sup> [Ch. 163, Part II, F.S.](#)

<sup>2</sup> [S. 163.3167\(1\), F.S.](#)

<sup>3</sup> [S. 163.3167\(1\)\(a\), \(2\), F.S.](#)

<sup>4</sup> [S. 163.3194\(1\)\(a\), F.S.](#)

<sup>5</sup> See, e.g., [Sarasota County, Fla. Comprehensive Plan, Future Land Use Element, FLU Policy 1.1.1](#) (last visited Jan. 24, 2026).

<sup>6</sup> [S. 163.3177\(1\), F.S.](#)

<sup>7</sup> [S. 163.3177\(6\), F.S.](#)

<sup>8</sup> [S. 163.3177\(1\)\(a\), F.S.](#)

<sup>9</sup> [S. 163.3177\(3\), \(6\)\(a\)-\(i\), F.S.](#)

Comprehensive plans must include at least two planning periods, one covering the first 10-year period occurring after the plan's adoption and one covering a period of at least 20 years.<sup>10</sup> Additional planning periods are permissible and accepted as part of the planning process.

### [Future Land Use Element](#)

Comprehensive plans must include an element regarding future land use that designates the proposed future general distribution, location, and extent of the uses of land for a number of uses and categories of public and private uses of land.<sup>11</sup> Each future land use category must be defined in terms of uses included, and must include standards to be followed in the control and distribution of population densities and building and structure intensities.<sup>12</sup> The proposed distribution, location, and extent of the various categories of land use must be shown on a land use map or map series. Future land use plans and plan amendments are based on surveys, studies, and data regarding the area.<sup>13</sup>

A comprehensive plan's future land use element establishes a range of allowable uses and densities and intensities over large areas, and the specific use and intensities for specific parcels within that range are decided by a more detailed, implementing zoning map.<sup>14</sup>

The future land use element of each comprehensive plan is required to consider both the amount of land required to accommodate anticipated growth and methods of discouraging urban sprawl.<sup>15</sup> Local governments balance these priorities by the adoption of an urban services area, which is intended to contain a certain proportion of new development over the planning period.<sup>16</sup> As a part of the local government's comprehensive plan, these areas can normally be adjusted by the local governing body by a majority vote.<sup>17</sup> Some counties, however, have adopted charter amendments that require extraordinary thresholds for the adoption of comprehensive plan amendments that adjust the boundary between urban and rural portions of the county.<sup>18</sup>

### [Compatibility](#)

The future land use element must consider what uses are compatible with one another to guide rezoning requests, development orders, and plan amendments.<sup>19</sup> Compatibility means "a condition in which land uses or conditions can coexist in relative proximity to each other in a stable fashion over time such that no use or condition is unduly negatively impacted directly or indirectly by another use or condition."<sup>20</sup> In other words, the compatibility requirement permits local governments to consider whether a proposed use can peacefully coexist with existing uses.

<sup>10</sup> [S. 163.3177\(5\)\(a\), F.S.](#)

<sup>11</sup> [S. 163.3177\(6\)\(a\), F.S.](#) Applicable uses and categories of public and private uses of land include, but are not limited to, residential, commercial, industrial, agricultural, recreational, conservation, educational, and public facilities.

<sup>12</sup> [S. 163.3177\(6\)\(a\)1., F.S.](#)

<sup>13</sup> [S. 163.3177\(6\)\(a\)2., F.S.](#)

<sup>14</sup> Richard Grosso, *A Guide to Development Order "Consistency" Challenges Under Florida Statutes Section 163.3215*, 34 J. Envtl. L. & Litig. 129, 154 (2019) (citing *Brevard Cty. v. Snyder*, 627 So. 2d 469, 475 (Fla. 1993)).

<sup>15</sup> [S. 163.3177\(6\)\(a\)2.a. and h., F.S.](#)

<sup>16</sup> See, e.g., [Tallahassee-Leon County 2030 Comprehensive Plan, Land Use, Goal 1](#) ("The location and size of the [Urban Services Area] shall be depicted on the Future Land Use Map and is based upon the area necessary to accommodate 90% of new residential dwelling units within the County by the Plan Horizon[.]").

<sup>17</sup> See [s. 163.3184\(11\)\(a\), F.S.](#) (providing that the transmittal or adopting of a comprehensive plan amendment "shall be by affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the members of the governing body present at the hearing").

<sup>18</sup> See, e.g., [Miami-Dade County Charter, s. 1.01\(A\)\(5\)](#) ("[A]ny decision to include any additional land within the Urban Development Boundary of the County's Comprehensive Development Master Plan shall require a two-thirds vote of the Board of County Commissioners then in office) and [Seminole County Charter, s. 5.2\(B\)](#) ("Any vote to remove property from the Rural Area, however, shall only be by Supermajority vote of the Board of County Commissioners").

<sup>19</sup> [S. 163.3194\(3\), F.S.](#)

<sup>20</sup> [S. 163.3164\(9\), F.S.](#)

Local governments, through the future land use plan, are responsible for ensuring compatibility of uses on adjacent lands, and particularly those lands in proximity to military installations and airports.<sup>21</sup> To act on this requirement, land use regulations are required to contain specific and detailed provisions necessary to ensure the compatibility of adjacent land uses.<sup>22</sup> In practice, these regulations take the form of zoning codes with compatibility standards for height, density, setbacks, parking, and other general regulations on what types of developments can coexist.<sup>23</sup>

### [Comprehensive Plan Amendments](#)

Comprehensive plan amendments are generally governed by the state expedited review process, which typically begins with an initial public hearing during which the local government's governing body decides whether to transmit the proposed amendment to the reviewing agencies.<sup>24</sup> The local government's decision must be by an affirmative vote of at least a majority of the governing body's members present at the hearing.<sup>25</sup> Within 10 working days of such hearing, the local government must transmit the plan amendment and appropriate supporting data and analyses to the reviewing agencies for expedited comment<sup>26</sup> and to any other local government or governmental agency that filed a written request for such transmittal with the local government.<sup>27</sup> Interested persons may also provide the local government with written or oral comments, recommendations, or objections to the plan amendment.<sup>28</sup>

Within 180 days after receipt of any agency comments, the local government must generally hold a second public hearing to determine whether to adopt the plan amendment.<sup>29</sup> Where the proposed amendment is a small-scale development amendment,<sup>30</sup> however, the local government must hold only the public adoption hearing; the initial public hearing is not required.<sup>31</sup> In either case, plan amendment adoption must be by an affirmative vote of at least a majority of the governing body's members present at the hearing, and failure to hold a timely adoption hearing causes the amendment to be withdrawn unless the timeframe is extended by agreement with specified notice to the Department of Commerce (Department), and other parties.<sup>32</sup>

Within 10 working days of the adoption hearing, the local government must transmit the plan amendment to the Department and any affected person who provided timely comments on the amendment.<sup>33</sup> The Department must review the amendment package for any deficiencies and send notice of such deficiencies to the local government

<sup>21</sup> [S. 163.3177\(6\)\(a\)2.-3., F.S.](#)

<sup>22</sup> [S. 163.3202\(2\)\(b\), F.S.](#)

<sup>23</sup> See, e.g., [City of Maitland Land Development Code, s. 5.10](#) (Residential Compatibility Standards).

<sup>24</sup> Section [163.3184\(1\)\(c\), F.S.](#), provides that "reviewing agencies" are the state land planning agency (Department of Commerce), the appropriate regional planning council, the appropriate water management district, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of State, the Department of Transportation, the Department of Education (for plan amendments relating to public schools), the commanding officer of an affected military installation, the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (for county plans and plan amendments), and, for municipal plans and plan amendments, the county in which the municipality is located. Amendments that do not use the state expedited review process include plan amendments that are in an area of critical state concern; propose a rural land stewardship area; propose a sector plan or an amendment to an adopted sector plan; or update a comprehensive plan based on an evaluation and appraisal, which use the state coordinated review process and small-scale development amendments that involve the use of 50 acres or fewer, only proposes a land use change to the future land use map for a site-specific small-scale development activity, and only applies to property not located within an area of critical state concern, absent an exception related to affordable housing development. [Ss. 163.3184\(2\)\(b\)-\(c\), \(4\)](#) and [163.3187, F.S.](#)

<sup>25</sup> [S. 163.3184\(11\), F.S.](#)

<sup>26</sup> The expedited review process is set out in [s. 163.3184\(3\), F.S.](#)

<sup>27</sup> [S. 163.3184\(3\), F.S.](#)

<sup>28</sup> [S. 163.3184\(1\), \(3\), \(4\), F.S.](#)

<sup>29</sup> [S. 163.3184\(3\)\(c\)1., F.S.](#) Plan amendments under the expedited state review process must be adopted within 180 days of the second public hearing held to consider the amendments.

<sup>30</sup> Small-scale comprehensive plan amendments are generally not reviewed by the Department. See [ss. 163.3184\(2\)\(b\)](#) and [163.3187, F.S.](#)

<sup>31</sup> [Ss. 163.3184\(2\)](#) and [163.3187\(2\), F.S.](#)

<sup>32</sup> [S. 163.3184\(3\), \(4\), and \(11\), F.S.](#)

<sup>33</sup> *Id.*

within five working days of receipt of the amendment package.<sup>34</sup> If no deficiencies are found, the amendment takes effect 31 days after the Department notifies the local government that the amendment package is complete for the expedited state review process, 31 days after the adoption of the amendment for small-scale development amendments, or pursuant to the Department's notice of intent determining the amendment is in compliance for the state coordinated review process.<sup>35</sup>

### Land Development Regulations

Comprehensive plans are implemented via land development regulations. Land development regulations are ordinances enacted by governing bodies for the regulation of any aspect of development and includes any local government zoning, rezoning, subdivision, building construction, sign regulations, or any other regulations controlling the development of land.<sup>36</sup>

Each county and municipality must adopt and enforce land development regulations that are consistent with and that implement its adopted comprehensive plan.<sup>37</sup> Local governments are encouraged to use innovative land development regulations<sup>38</sup> and may adopt measures for the purpose of increasing affordable housing using land use mechanisms.<sup>39</sup>

### Zoning

A comprehensive plan's future land use element establishes a range of allowable uses and densities<sup>40</sup> and intensities<sup>41</sup> over large areas, while the specific use and intensities for specific parcels within that range are decided by a more detailed, implementing zoning map.<sup>42</sup>

Zoning maps and zoning districts are adopted by a local government for developments within each land use category or sub-category. While land uses are general in nature, one or more zoning districts may apply within each land use designation.<sup>43</sup> Common regulations within the zoning map districts include density, height and bulk of buildings, setbacks, and parking requirements. Regulations for a zoning category in a downtown area may allow for more density and height than allowed in a suburb, for instance.

If a developer or landowner believes that a proposed development may have merit but it does not meet the requirements of a zoning map in a jurisdiction, the developer or landowner can seek a rezoning through a rezoning application.<sup>44</sup> Rezoning applications are initially reviewed by local government staff, then by an appointed body that makes recommendations to the governing body of the local government, which makes the final determination.<sup>45</sup> If a property has unique circumstances or small nonconformities but otherwise meets zoning regulations, local governments may ease restrictions on certain regulations such as building size or setback through an application for a variance.<sup>46</sup> However, any action to rezone or grant a variance must be consistent with the local government's comprehensive plan.

<sup>34</sup> [S. 163.3184\(3\)\(c\)3. and \(4\)\(e\)3., F.S.](#)

<sup>35</sup> [Ss. 163.3184\(3\)\(c\)4., 163.3184\(4\)\(e\)4.-5., and 163.3187\(5\)\(c\), F.S.](#)

<sup>36</sup> [S. 163.3164\(26\), F.S.](#)

<sup>37</sup> [S. 163.3202\(1\), F.S.](#)

<sup>38</sup> [S. 163.3202\(3\), F.S.](#)

<sup>39</sup> [S. 125.01055 and 166.04151, F.S.](#)

<sup>40</sup> "Density" means an objective measurement of the number of people or residential units allowed per unit of land, such as residents or employees per acre. [S. 163.3164\(12\), F.S.](#)

<sup>41</sup> "Intensity" means an objective measurement of the extent to which land may be developed or used, including the consumption or use of the space above, on, or below ground; the measurement of the use of or demand on natural resources; and the measurement of the use of or demand on facilities and services. [S. 163.3164\(22\), F.S.](#)

<sup>42</sup> Grosso, *supra* note 14.

<sup>43</sup> See, e.g., Indian River County, [Planning and Development Services FAQ](#) (last visited Jan. 24, 2026).

<sup>44</sup> See e.g., City of Tallahassee, [Application for Rezoning Review](#) (last visited Jan. 24, 2026).

<sup>45</sup> See *id.* and City of Redington Shores, [Planning and Zoning Board](#) (last visited Jan. 24, 2026).

<sup>46</sup> See e.g., City of Tallahassee, [Variance and Appeals](#) and Seminole County, [Variance Process Requirements](#) (last visited Jan. 24, 2026).



Ordinances or resolutions that change the actual list of permitted, conditional, or prohibited uses within a zoning category or ordinances or resolutions initiated by the local government that change the actual zoning map designation of a parcel or parcels of land must follow additional enhanced notice requirements:

- If the area affected is less than 10 acres, the local government must notify by mail each property owner and hold a public meeting to discuss the ordinance or resolution before passage.
- If the area affected is 10 acres or greater, the local government must hold two separate meetings to discuss the changes, and notice the public through either mail to each property owner or to the public generally by newspaper.<sup>47</sup>

### Development Orders and Permits

Under the Community Planning Act, a development permit is any official action of a local government permitting the development of land.<sup>48</sup> Development permits include, but are not limited to, building permits, zoning permits, subdivision approval, rezoning, certifications, special exceptions, and variances.<sup>49</sup> A development order is issued by a local government and grants, denies, or grants with conditions an application for a development permit.<sup>50</sup>

Within five business days after receiving an application for approval of a development permit or development order, a county or municipality must review the application for completeness and issue a written notification to the applicant indicating that all required information is submitted or specify any areas that are deficient.<sup>51</sup> If the application is deficient, the applicant has 30 days to address the deficiencies by submitting the required additional information.

Within 120 days after the county or municipality has deemed the application complete, or 180 days for applications that require final action through a quasi-judicial hearing or a public hearing, the county or municipality must approve, approve with conditions, or deny the application for a development permit or development order.<sup>52</sup> Both the applicant and the local government may agree to an extension of time, particularly in the event of a force majeure or other extraordinary circumstance. An approval, approval with conditions, or denial of the application for a development permit or development order must include written findings supporting the local government's decision. These timeframes do not apply in an area of critical state concern.<sup>53</sup>

When reviewing an application for a development permit or development order, not including building permit applications, a county or municipality may not request additional information from the applicant more than three times, unless the applicant waives the limitation in writing.<sup>54</sup> If a county or municipality makes a request for additional information from the applicant and the applicant provides the information within 30 days of receiving the request, the county or the municipality may take the following actions:

- *First Request for Information:* Review the additional information and issue a letter to the applicant indicating that the application is complete or specify the remaining deficiencies within 30 days of receiving the information.<sup>55</sup>
- *Second Request for Information:* Same as the first request but the letter must be issued within 10 days of receiving the additional information.<sup>56</sup>

<sup>47</sup> See [ss. 125.66\(5\)](#) and [166.041\(3\), F.S.](#)

<sup>48</sup> [S. 163.3164\(16\), F.S.](#)

<sup>49</sup> *Id.* The provisions of [ss. 125.022](#) and [166.033, F.S.](#), however, do not apply to building permits. [S. 122.022\(6\)](#) and [166.033\(6\), F.S.](#)

<sup>50</sup> See [ss. 125.022, F.S.](#), [163.3164\(15\), F.S.](#), and [166.033, F.S.](#)

<sup>51</sup> [Ss. 125.022\(2\), F.S.](#) and [166.033\(2\), F.S.](#)

<sup>52</sup> *Id.*

<sup>53</sup> *Id.* Areas of critical state concern are designated in [s. 380.0552, F.S.](#), and ch. 28-36, F.A.C.

<sup>54</sup> [Ss. 125.022\(3\)\(a\)](#) and [166.033\(3\)\(a\), F.S.](#)

<sup>55</sup> [Ss. 125.022\(3\)\(b\)](#) and [166.033\(3\)\(b\), F.S.](#)

<sup>56</sup> [Ss. 125.022\(3\)\(c\)](#) and [166.033\(3\)\(c\), F.S.](#)

- *Third Request for Information:* Deem the application complete within 10 days of receiving the additional information or proceed to process the application for approval or denial unless the applicant waived the county's or municipality's time limitations in writing.<sup>57</sup>

Before a third request for information, the applicant must be offered a meeting to attempt to resolve outstanding issues.<sup>58</sup> If the applicant believes the request for additional information is not authorized by ordinance, rule, statute, or other legal authority, the applicant can request that the county or municipality proceed to process the application for approval or denial.<sup>59</sup>

A county or municipality that fails to meet the above timeframes is required to issue refunds to the applicant ranging from 10 percent to 100 percent of the application fee, if the parties did not agree to an extension of time or the delay was not caused by the applicant or a force majeure<sup>60</sup> or other extraordinary circumstance.<sup>61</sup>

If a development permit or order is denied, the county or municipality must give written notice to the applicant and must reference the applicable legal authority for the denial of the permit.<sup>62</sup>

### Building Permit Fees

Local governments may provide a schedule of reasonable fees for enforcing the Florida Building Code (FBC). Such fees, and any fines or investment earnings related to the fees, may only be used for carrying out the local government's responsibilities in enforcing the FBC. A reasonable fee for enforcing the FBC includes direct costs and reasonable indirect costs associated with review of building plans, building inspections, reinspections, and building permit processing; building code enforcement; fire inspections associated with new construction; training costs associated with the enforcement of the FBC; and enforcement actions pertaining to unlicensed contractor activity to the extent not funded by other user fees.<sup>63</sup> A local government must post its permit and inspection fee schedules on its website.<sup>64</sup>

<sup>57</sup> [Ss. 125.022\(3\)\(d\)](#) and [166.033\(3\)\(d\)](#), F.S.

<sup>58</sup> *Id.*

<sup>59</sup> [Ss. 125.022\(3\)\(e\)](#) and [166.033\(3\)\(e\)](#), F.S.

<sup>60</sup> Force majeure means "an event or effect that can be neither anticipated nor controlled; esp., an unexpected event that prevents someone from doing or completing something that he or she had agreed or officially planned to do." Black's Law Dictionary (12th ed. 2024).

<sup>61</sup> [Ss. 125.022\(4\)](#) and [166.033\(4\)](#), F.S.

<sup>62</sup> [Ss. 125.022\(5\)](#) and [166.033\(5\)](#), F.S.

<sup>63</sup> [S. 553.80\(7\)\(a\)](#), F.S.

<sup>64</sup> [Ss. 125.56\(4\)\(c\)](#), F.S. and [166.222\(2\)](#), F.S.



**BILL HISTORY**

<b>COMMITTEE REFERENCE</b>	<b>ACTION</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>STAFF DIRECTOR/ POLICY CHIEF</b>	<b>ANALYSIS PREPARED BY</b>
<a href="#">Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee</a>	10 Y, 3 N, As CS	1/28/2026	Darden	Darden
THE CHANGES ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requires application fees for development permits and orders to reasonably relate to the direct and reasonable indirect costs associated with reviewing applications.</li> <li>Provides that amendments to the future land use element of the comprehensive plan must be adopted by majority vote of the members present, notwithstanding any county charter.</li> <li>Requires local governments to include factors for assessing compatibility of residential uses in their comprehensive plans and land development regulations and provides standards for applying the adopted factors.</li> </ul>			
<a href="#">Housing, Agriculture &amp; Tourism Subcommittee</a>	11 Y, 4 N, As CS	2/5/2026	Curtin	Wright
THE CHANGES ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extends the deadline for OPPAGA to submit a report to the Legislature regarding the effect of removing Urban Development Boundaries to December 1, 2026, from October 1, 2026.</li> </ul>			
<a href="#">State Affairs Committee</a>				

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**THIS BILL ANALYSIS HAS BEEN UPDATED TO INCORPORATE ALL OF THE CHANGES DESCRIBED ABOVE.**  
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