

## LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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Senator Gaetz moved the following:

## Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

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and insert:

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(a) The center shall develop and promulgate standards for solar energy systems manufactured or sold in this state based on the best currently available information and shall consult with scientists, engineers, or persons in research centers who are engaged in the construction of, experimentation with, and research of solar energy systems to properly identify the most reliable designs and types of solar energy systems.

(b) The center shall select nationally-recognized standards



for solar energy systems and establish criteria for testing the performance of solar energy systems and shall maintain the necessary capability for testing or evaluating the performance of solar energy systems. The center may accept results of tests on solar energy systems made by other organizations, companies, or persons when such tests are conducted according to the criteria established by the center and when the testing entity has no vested interest in the manufacture, distribution or sale of solar energy systems.

(5) (c) FEES. - The center shall charge be entitled to receive a testing fee sufficient to cover the costs of such testing. All testing fees shall be transmitted by the center to the Chief Financial Officer to be deposited in the Solar Energy Center Testing Trust Fund, which is hereby created in the State Treasury, and disbursed for the payment of expenses incurred in testing solar energy systems.

(6) (d) All solar energy systems manufactured or sold in the state must meet the nationally-recognized standards selected established by the center and shall display accepted results of approved performance tests in a manner prescribed by the center.

Section 2. The Florida Building Commission is directed to make all changes to the building and energy codes necessary to conform those rules to this bill.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming law.

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and insert:

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An act relating to energy; amending s. 377.705, F.S.; requiring the Solar Energy Center to charge testing fees; directing the Florida Building Commission to make all changes to the building and energy codes necessary to conform to this act.