

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

Senator Bennett moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 767 and 768 insert:

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Section 11. Subsection (7) of section 403.9325, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

403.9325 Definitions.—For the purposes of ss. 403.9321-403.9333, the term:

(7) "Riparian mangrove fringe" means mangroves growing along the shoreline on private property, property owned by a governmental entity, or sovereign submerged land, the depth of which does not exceed 50 feet as measured waterward from the trunk of the most landward mangrove tree in a direction



perpendicular to the shoreline to the trunk of the most waterward mangrove tree. Riparian mangrove fringe does not include mangroves on uninhabited natural islands, or public lands that have been set aside for conservation or preservation, or mangroves on lands that have been set aside as mitigation, if the permit, enforcement instrument, or conservation easement establishing the mitigation area did not include provisions for the trimming of mangroves.

Section 12. Subsection (5) of section 403.9329, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

403.9329 Professional mangrove trimmers.

(5) A professional mangrove trimmer status granted under ss. 403.9321-403.9333 or by the department may be revoked by the department for any person who is responsible for any violations of ss. 403.9321-403.9333 or any adopted mangrove rules.

Section 13. Subsection (3) is added to section 403.9331, Florida Statutes, to read:

403.9331 Applicability; rules and policies.-

(3) Pursuant to s. 403.9323(2), the provisions of ss. 403.9321-403.9333 do not allow the trimming of mangroves on uninhabited natural islands that are publicly owned or on lands that are

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Delete line 61

and insert:

Legislature by a specified date; amending s. 403.9325, F.S.; revising the definition of "riparian mangrove

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fringe"; amending s. 403.9329, F.S.; clarifying the department's authority to revoke a person's status as a professional mangrove trimmer; amending s. 403.9331, F.S.; providing that specified provisions of state law do not allow the trimming of mangroves on uninhabited natural islands; providing effective