LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate Comm: UNFAV 02/22/2011

The Committee on Banking and Insurance (Fasano) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 2787 and 2788
insert:

Section 22. Section 627.7066, Florida Statutes, is created
to read:

627.7066 Investigation and remediation permits.—
(1) Each county shall, by ordinance, require a property
owner to obtain an investigation permit before conducting an
investigation of potential sinkhole activity.

(a) An application for such permit must include a legal
description of the property to be investigated and the name of
the property owner.

(b) Upon completion of the investigation, a summary of the results, which includes the dates of the investigation, the type of testing and analysis conducted, who conducted the investigation, and the findings of the investigation, must be submitted to the county and filed with the permit application.

(c) A copy of the permit and the summary document must be filed in the public records of the county.

(d) All permit costs and the cost of recording shall be paid by the permit applicant.

(2) Each county shall, by ordinance, require any person providing stabilization and foundation repairs resulting from sinkhole activity to obtain a remediation permit.

(a) An application for such permit must include a legal description of the property, the name of the property owner, and identify the proposed repairs, including the quantities of materials to be used and estimated repair costs.

(b) Upon completion of repairs, a summary of the repair activities conducted, including materials used and the cost of such materials plus labor, an accounting of any differences between the estimated and actual materials and costs, and payments by the insurer to the owner pursuant to a sinkhole claim, must be submitted to the county and filed with the permit application.

(c) A copy of the permit and the summary document must be filed in the public records of the county.

(d) All permit costs and the cost of recording shall be paid by the person conducting the repairs.
And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 164 and insert:

the establishment of a sinkhole database; creating s. 627.7066, F.S.; requiring counties to adopt an ordinance requiring permits before conducting an investigation of potential sinkhole activity and before making any repairs resulting from sinkhole activity; requiring a summary of the investigation and repairs conducted to be filed with the permit; requiring a copy of the permit and summary to be filed in the county records; amending s.