

## LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

Comm: WD 02/28/2012

The Committee on Budget (Margolis) recommended the following:

## Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete line 4674

and insert:

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Section 101. Notwithstanding s. 120.569, s. 120.57, or s. 373.427, Florida Statutes, or any other provision of law to the contrary, a challenge to a consolidated environmental resource permit, or any associated variance, or any sovereign submerged lands authorization proposed or issued by the Department of Environmental Protection in connection with the state's deepwater ports, as listed in s. 403.021(9), Florida Statutes, shall be conducted pursuant to the summary hearing provisions of s. 120.574, Florida Statutes; however, the summary proceeding



shall be conducted within 30 days after a party files a motion for a summary hearing, regardless of whether the parties agree to the summary proceeding, and the administrative law judge's decision shall be in the form of a recommended order and does not constitute final agency action of the department. The Department of Environmental Protection shall issue the final order within 45 working days after receipt of the administrative law judge's recommended order. The summary hearing provisions of this section apply to pending administrative proceedings; however, s. 120.574(1)(b) and (d) and (2)(a)3. and 5., Florida Statutes, do not apply to pending administrative proceedings. This section shall take effect upon this act becoming a law.

Section 102. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2012.

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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 463

and insert:

providing that a consolidated environmental resource permit, or associated variance, or any sovereign submerged lands authorization proposed or issued by the Department of Environmental Protection in connection with specified deepwater ports is subject to specified summary hearing provisions; requiring such proceedings to be conducted within a certain timeframe; providing that the administrative law

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judge's decision is a recommended order and does not constitute final agency action of the department; requiring the department to issue the final order within a certain timeframe; providing applicability; providing effective dates.