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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Guaranteed Energy, Water, and Wastewater Performance Savings Contracting Act; amending s. 489.145, F.S.; revising the terms "agency," "energy, water, and wastewater efficiency and conservation measure," and "energy, water, or wastewater cost savings"; deleting a reference to life cycle cost calculations; providing that a contract may provide for repayments to a lender of an installation construction loan in installments for a period not to exceed 20 years; requiring a contract to provide that repayments to a lender of an installation construction loan may be made over time, not to exceed 20 years from a certain date; requiring a contract to provide for a certain amount of repayment to the lender of the installation construction loan within 2 years of a specified date; providing that certain improvements may be included in a performance contract if certain conditions are satisfied; authorizing certain facility alterations to be included in a performance contract and to be supervised by the performance savings contractor; limiting the time allotted to the Office of the Chief Financial Officer to review and approve an agency's guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contract; conforming language; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Paragraphs (a) through (c) of subsection (3), paragraphs (c) and (j) of subsection (4), and subsections (5) and (6) of section 489.145, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

489.145 Guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contracting.—

- (3) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:
- (a) "Agency" means the state, a municipality, or a political subdivision, a county or city school district, or an institution of higher education, including all state universities, colleges, and technical colleges.
- (b) "Energy, water, and wastewater efficiency and conservation measure" means a training program incidental to the contract, facility alteration, or equipment purchase to be used in a building retrofit, addition, or renovation, or in new construction, including an addition to existing facilities or infrastructure, which reduces energy or water consumption, wastewater production, or energy-related operating costs and includes, but is not limited to:
 - 1. Installing or modifying:
- \underline{a} . Insulation of the facility structure and systems within the facility.
- <u>b.2.</u> Window and door systems that reduce energy consumption or operating costs, such as storm windows and doors, caulking or weatherstripping, multiglazed windows and doors, heat-absorbing, or heat-reflective, glazed and coated window and door systems, additional glazing, <u>and</u> reductions in glass area, and other window and door system modifications that reduce energy consumption.

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c.3. Automatic energy control systems.

- 4. Heating, ventilating, or air-conditioning system modifications or replacements.
- 5. Replacement or modifications of lighting fixtures to increase the energy efficiency of the lighting system, which, at a minimum, must conform to the applicable state or local building code.
 - d.6. Energy recovery systems.
- $\underline{e.7.}$ Cogeneration systems that produce steam or forms of energy such as heat, as well as electricity, for use primarily within a facility or complex of facilities.
- 8. Energy conservation measures that reduce British thermal units (Btu), kilowatts (kW), or kilowatt hours (kWh) consumed or provide long-term operating cost reductions.
- $\underline{\text{f.9.}}$ Renewable energy systems, such as solar, biomass, or wind systems.
- g.10. Devices that reduce water consumption or sewer charges.
- $\underline{\text{h.11.}}$ Energy storage systems, such as fuel cells and thermal storage.
- $\underline{\text{i.12.}}$ Energy-generating technologies, such as microturbines.
- j. Automated, electronic, or remotely controlled technologies, systems, or measures that reduce utility or operating costs.
- k. Software-based systems that reduce facility management or other facility operating costs.
- <u>l. Energy information and control systems that monitor</u>consumption, redirect systems to optimal energy sources, and

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88 manage energy-using equipment.

- 2. Replacing or modifying:
- a. Heating, ventilating, or air-conditioning systems.
- b. Lighting fixtures to increase the energy efficiency of the lighting system without increasing the overall illumination of a building, unless the increase in illumination is necessary to conform to the applicable state or local building code.
- 3. Implementing a program to reduce energy costs through rate adjustments, load shifting to reduce peak demand, or the use of alternative energy suppliers, including, but not limited to, demand response programs, changes to more favorable rate schedules, negotiation of lower rates using new suppliers, or auditing utility billing and metering.
- $\underline{\text{4. An improvement that reduces solid waste and associated}}$ removal costs.
- 5. Meter replacement, installation of an automated meter reading system, or other construction, modification, installation, or remodeling of water, electric, gas, fuel, communication, or other supplied utility system.
- 6. Any other energy conservation measure that reduces
 British thermal units (Btu), kilowatts (kW), or kilowatt hours
 (kWh); reduces fuel or water consumption in the building or
 waste water production; or reduces an operating cost or provides
 long-term cost reductions.
- 7.13. Any other repair, replacement, or upgrade of existing equipment that produces measurable savings, or any other construction, modification, installation, or remodeling that is approved by an agency and that is within the legislative authority granted the agency, such as an energy conservation

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measure.

- 8. Any other measure not otherwise defined in this chapter which is designed to reduce utility consumption, revenue enhancements, wastewater cost savings, avoided capital costs, or similar efficiency gains to a governmental unit.
- (c) "Energy, water, or wastewater cost savings" means a measured reduction in the cost of fuel, energy or water consumption, wastewater production, and stipulated operation and maintenance, and identified avoided capital savings created from the implementation of one or more energy, water, or wastewater efficiency or conservation measures when compared with an established baseline for the previous cost of fuel, energy or water consumption, wastewater production, and stipulated operation and maintenance, and identified avoided capital costs.
 - (4) PROCEDURES.—
- (c) An The agency may enter into a guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contract with a guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contractor if the agency finds that the amount the agency would spend on an the energy, water, and wastewater efficiency and conservation measure is unlikely to measures will not likely exceed the amount of the cost savings for up to 20 years after from the date of installation, based on the life cycle cost calculations provided in s. 255.255, if the recommendations in the report were followed and if the qualified provider or providers give a written guarantee that the cost savings will meet or exceed the costs of the system. However, actual computed cost savings must meet or exceed the estimated cost savings provided in each agency's program approval. Baseline adjustments

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used in calculations must be specified in the contract. The contract may provide for repayment to the lender of the installation construction loan through installment payments for a period not to exceed 20 years.

- (j) In determining the amount the agency will finance to acquire the energy, water, and wastewater efficiency and conservation measures, the agency may reduce such amount by the application of any grant moneys, rebates, or capital funding available to the agency for the purpose of buying down the cost of the guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contract. However, in calculating the life cycle cost as required in paragraph (c), the agency shall not apply any grants, rebates, or capital funding.
 - (5) CONTRACT PROVISIONS.-
- (a) A guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contract must include a written guarantee that may include, but is not limited to the form of, a letter of credit, insurance policy, or corporate guarantee by the guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contractor that annual cost savings will meet or exceed the amortized cost of energy, water, and wastewater efficiency and conservation measures.
- (b) The guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contract must provide that all repayments payments to the lender of the installation construction loan, except obligations on termination of the contract before its expiration, may be made over time, but may not to exceed 20 years from the date of complete installation and acceptance by the agency, and that the annual savings are guaranteed to the

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extent necessary to make annual payments to satisfy the guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contract.

- (c) The guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contract must require that the guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contractor to whom the contract is awarded provide a 100-percent public construction bond to the agency for its faithful performance, as required by s. 255.05.
- (d) The guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contract may contain a provision allocating to the parties to the contract any annual cost savings that exceed the amount of the cost savings guaranteed in the contract.
- (e) The guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contract <u>must shall</u> require the guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contractor to provide to the agency an annual reconciliation of the guaranteed energy or associated cost savings. If the reconciliation reveals a shortfall in annual energy or associated cost savings, the guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contractor is liable for such shortfall. If the reconciliation reveals an excess in annual cost savings, the excess savings may be allocated under paragraph (d) but may not be used to cover potential energy or associated cost savings shortages in subsequent contract years.
- (f) The guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contract must provide for repayment payments to the lender of the installation construction loan of not less

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than one-twentieth of the price to be paid within 2 years from the date of the complete installation and acceptance by the agency using straight-line amortization for the term of the loan, and the remaining costs to be paid at least quarterly, not to exceed a 20-year term, based on life cycle cost calculations.

- (g) The guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contract may extend beyond the fiscal year in which it becomes effective; however, the term of \underline{a} any contract expires at the end of each fiscal year and may be automatically renewed annually for up to 20 years, subject to the agency making sufficient annual appropriations based upon continued realized energy, water, and wastewater savings.
- (h) The guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contract must stipulate that it does not constitute a debt, liability, or obligation of the state.
- (i) An improvement that is not causally connected to an energy conservation measure may be included in a performance contract if:
- 1. The total value of the improvement does not exceed 15 percent of the total value of the performance contract; and
- 2. The improvement is necessary to conform to a law, a rule, or an ordinance, or an analysis within the performance contract demonstrates that there is an economic advantage to the governmental unit implementing an improvement as part of the performance contract.
- (j) A facility alteration that includes expenditures that are required to properly implement other energy conservation measures may be included as part of a performance contract. In such case, notwithstanding any provision of law, the

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installation of these additional measures may be supervised by the performance savings contractor.

- (6) PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION AND CONTRACT REVIEW.-The Department of Management Services, with the assistance of the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, shall, within available resources, provide technical content assistance to state agencies contracting for energy, water, and wastewater efficiency and conservation measures and engage in other activities considered appropriate by the department for promoting and facilitating guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance contracting by state agencies. The Department of Management Services shall review the investmentgrade audit for each proposed project and certify that the cost savings are appropriate and sufficient for the term of the contract. The Office of the Chief Financial Officer, with the assistance of the Department of Management Services, shall, within available resources, develop model contractual and related documents for use by state agencies. Before Prior to entering into a guaranteed energy, water, and wastewater performance savings contract, a any contract or lease for thirdparty financing, or any combination of such contracts, a state agency shall submit such proposed contract or lease to the Office of the Chief Financial Officer for review and approval. The Office of the Chief Financial Officer shall complete its review and approval within 10 business days after receiving the proposed contract or lease. A proposed contract or lease must shall include:
- (a) Supporting information required by s. 216.023(4)(a)9. in ss. 287.063(5) and 287.064(11). For contracts approved under

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262 this section, the criteria may, at a minimum, include the 263 specification of a benchmark cost of capital and minimum real 264 rate of return on energy, water, or wastewater savings against 265 which proposals shall be evaluated. 266 (b) Documentation supporting recurring funds requirements 267 in ss. 287.063(5) and 287.064(11). 268 (c) Approval by the head of the agency or his or her 269 designee. 270 (d) An agency measurement and verification plan to monitor 271 cost savings. 272 273 The Office of the Chief Financial Officer shall not approve any contract submitted under this section from a state agency that 274 275 does not meet the requirements of this section.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.

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