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The Committee on Fiscal Policy (Stargel) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

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Between lines 19 and 20 insert:

Section 1. Present paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 163.08, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (d), a new paragraph (c) is added to that subsection, and paragraph (b) of subsection (2) and subsections (10) and (14) of that section are amended, to read:

163.08 Supplemental authority for improvements to real



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- (c) The Legislature finds that properties damaged by sinkhole activity which are not adequately repaired may negatively affect the market valuation of surrounding properties, resulting in the loss of property tax revenues to local communities. The Legislature finds that there is a compelling state interest in providing local government assistance to enable property owners to voluntarily finance qualified improvements to property damaged by sinkhole activity.
 - (2) As used in this section, the term:
 - (b) "Qualifying improvement" includes any:
- 1. Energy conservation and efficiency improvement, which is a measure to reduce consumption through conservation or a more efficient use of electricity, natural gas, propane, or other forms of energy on the property, including, but not limited to, air sealing; installation of insulation; installation of energyefficient heating, cooling, or ventilation systems; building modifications to increase the use of daylight; replacement of windows; installation of energy controls or energy recovery systems; installation of electric vehicle charging equipment; and installation of efficient lighting equipment.
- 2. Renewable energy improvement, which is the installation of any system in which the electrical, mechanical, or thermal energy is produced from a method that uses one or more of the following fuels or energy sources: hydrogen, solar energy, geothermal energy, bioenergy, and wind energy.
- 3. Wind resistance improvement, which includes, but is not limited to:

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- 40 a. Improving the strength of the roof deck attachment;
 - b. Creating a secondary water barrier to prevent water intrusion;
 - c. Installing wind-resistant shingles;
 - d. Installing gable-end bracing;
 - e. Reinforcing roof-to-wall connections;
 - f. Installing storm shutters; or
 - q. Installing opening protections.
 - 4. Stabilization or other repairs to property damaged by sinkhole activity.
 - (10) A qualifying improvement shall be affixed to a building or facility that is part of the property and shall constitute an improvement to the building or facility or a fixture attached to the building or facility. For the purposes of stabilization or other repairs to property damaged by sinkhole activity, a qualifying improvement is deemed affixed to a building or facility. An agreement between a local government and a qualifying property owner may not cover wind-resistance improvements in buildings or facilities under new construction or construction for which a certificate of occupancy or similar evidence of substantial completion of new construction or improvement has not been issued.
 - (14) At or before the time a purchaser executes a contract for the sale and purchase of any property for which a non-ad valorem assessment has been levied under this section and has an unpaid balance due, the seller shall give the prospective purchaser a written disclosure statement in the following form, which shall be set forth in the contract or in a separate writing:



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70 QUALIFYING IMPROVEMENTS FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY, 71 RENEWABLE ENERGY, OR WIND RESISTANCE, OR SINKHOLE 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80

STABILIZATION OR REPAIR.—The property being purchased is located within the jurisdiction of a local government that has placed an assessment on the property pursuant to s. 163.08, Florida Statutes. The assessment is for a qualifying improvement to the property relating to energy efficiency, renewable energy, or wind resistance, or stabilization or repair of property damaged by sinkhole activity, and is not based on the value of property. You are encouraged to contact the county property appraiser's office to learn more about this and other assessments that may be provided by law.

Section 2. Subsection (8) of section 163.340, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 163.340 Definitions.—The following terms, wherever used or referred to in this part, have the following meanings:
- (8) "Blighted area" means an area in which there are a substantial number of deteriorated, or deteriorating structures; τ in which conditions, as indicated by governmentmaintained statistics or other studies, endanger life or property or are leading to economic distress; or endanger life or property, and in which two or more of the following factors are present:
- (a) Predominance of defective or inadequate street layout, parking facilities, roadways, bridges, or public transportation facilities. +

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- (b) Aggregate assessed values of real property in the area for ad valorem tax purposes have failed to show any appreciable increase over the 5 years prior to the finding of such conditions. +
 - (c) Faulty lot layout in relation to size, adequacy, accessibility, or usefulness. +
 - (d) Unsanitary or unsafe conditions. +
 - (e) Deterioration of site or other improvements. +
 - (f) Inadequate and outdated building density patterns. +
 - (g) Falling lease rates per square foot of office, commercial, or industrial space compared to the remainder of the county or municipality. +
 - (h) Tax or special assessment delinquency exceeding the fair value of the land. +
 - (i) Residential and commercial vacancy rates higher in the area than in the remainder of the county or municipality. +
 - (j) Incidence of crime in the area higher than in the remainder of the county or municipality. +
 - (k) Fire and emergency medical service calls to the area proportionately higher than in the remainder of the county or municipality. +
 - (1) A greater number of violations of the Florida Building Code in the area than the number of violations recorded in the remainder of the county or municipality. +
 - (m) Diversity of ownership or defective or unusual conditions of title which prevent the free alienability of land within the deteriorated or hazardous area.; or
 - (n) Governmentally owned property with adverse environmental conditions caused by a public or private entity.



(o) A substantial number or percentage of properties damaged by sinkhole activity which have not been adequately repaired or stabilized.

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However, the term "blighted area" also means any area in which at least one of the factors identified in paragraphs (a) through (o) is (n) are present and all taxing authorities subject to s. 163.387(2) (a) agree, either by interlocal agreement $\frac{1}{2}$ agreements with the agency or by resolution, that the area is blighted. Such agreement or resolution must be limited to a determination shall only determine that the area is blighted. For purposes of qualifying for the tax credits authorized in chapter 220, "blighted area" means an area as defined in this

Section 3. Subsection (3) of section 163.524, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 163.524 Neighborhood Preservation and Enhancement Program; participation; creation of Neighborhood Preservation and Enhancement Districts; creation of Neighborhood Councils and Neighborhood Enhancement Plans.-
- (3) After the boundaries and size of the Neighborhood Preservation and Enhancement District have been defined, the local government shall pass an ordinance authorizing the creation of the Neighborhood Preservation and Enhancement District. The ordinance shall contain a finding that the boundaries of the Neighborhood Preservation and Enhancement District comply with meet the provisions of s. 163.340(7) or s. $(8)(a)-(0) \frac{(8)(a)-(n)}{(8)(a)}$ or do not contain properties that are protected by deed restrictions. Such ordinance may be amended or

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repealed in the same manner as other local ordinances.

Section 4. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 163.3184, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

163.3184 Process for adoption of comprehensive plan or plan amendment.

- (2) COMPREHENSIVE PLANS AND PLAN AMENDMENTS.-
- (c) Plan amendments that are in an area of critical state concern designated pursuant to s. 380.05; propose a rural land stewardship area pursuant to s. 163.3248; propose a sector plan pursuant to s. 163.3245; update a comprehensive plan based on an evaluation and appraisal pursuant to s. 163.3191; propose a development that qualifies as a development of regional impact pursuant to s. $380.06 ext{ s. } 380.06(24)(x)$; or are new plans for newly incorporated municipalities adopted pursuant to s. 163.3167 shall follow the state coordinated review process in subsection (4).

Section 5. Subsection (30) is added to section 380.06, Florida Statutes, to read:

- 380.06 Developments of regional impact.
- (30) NEW PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTS.—A new proposed development otherwise subject to the review requirements of this section shall be approved by a local government pursuant to s. 163.3184(4) in lieu of proceeding in accordance with this section.

Section 6. Subsection (9) of section 163.3175, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

163.3175 Legislative findings on compatibility of development with military installations; exchange of information between local governments and military installations.-

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(9) If a local government, as required under 163.3177(6)(a), does not adopt criteria and address compatibility of lands adjacent to or closely proximate to existing military installations in its future land use plan element by June 30, 2012, the local government, the military installation, the state land planning agency, and other parties as identified by the regional planning council, including, but not limited to, private landowner representatives, shall enter into mediation conducted pursuant to s. 186.509. If the local government comprehensive plan does not contain criteria addressing compatibility by December 31, 2013, the agency may notify the Administration Commission. The Administration Commission may impose sanctions pursuant to s. 163.3184(8). Any local government that amended its comprehensive plan to address military installation compatibility requirements after 2004 and was found to be in compliance is deemed to be in compliance with this subsection until the local government conducts its evaluation and appraisal review pursuant to s. 163.3191 and determines that amendments are necessary to meet updated general law requirements. Section 7. Subsection (11) of section 163.3246, Florida

Statutes, is amended to read:

163.3246 Local government comprehensive planning certification program.-

(11) If the local government of an area described in subsection (10) does not request that the state land planning agency review the developments of regional impact that are proposed within the certified area, an application for approval of a development order within the certified area shall be exempt

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from review under s. 380.06, subject to the following: (a) Concurrent with filing an application for development approval with the local government, a developer proposing a project that would have been subject to review pursuant to s.

218 380.06 shall notify in writing the regional planning council 219 with jurisdiction.

(b) The regional planning council shall coordinate with the developer and the local government to ensure that all concurrency requirements as well as federal, state, and local environmental permit requirements are met.

Section 8. Subsection (4) of section 163.3248, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

163.3248 Rural land stewardship areas.-

(4) A local government or one or more property owners may request assistance and participation in the development of a plan for the rural land stewardship area from the state land planning agency, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the Department of Environmental Protection, the appropriate water management district, the Department of Transportation, the regional planning council, private land owners, and stakeholders.

Section 9. Subsection (22) of section 186.505, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

186.505 Regional planning councils; powers and duties.—Any regional planning council created hereunder shall have the following powers:

(22) To establish and conduct a cross-acceptance negotiation process with local governments intended to resolve



243 inconsistencies between applicable local and regional plans, 244 with participation by local governments being voluntary. 245 Section 10. Section 186.512, Florida Statutes, is created 246 to read: 247 186.512 Designation of regional planning councils.-(1) The territorial area of the state is subdivided into 248 249 the following districts for the purpose of regional 250 comprehensive planning. The name and geographic area of each 251 respective district must accord with the following: 252 (a) West Florida Regional Planning Council: Bay, Escambia, 253 Holmes, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Walton, and Washington Counties. 254 (b) Apalachee Regional Planning Council: Calhoun, Franklin, 255 Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, and Wakulla 256 Counties. 257 (c) North Central Florida Regional Planning Council: 258 Alachua, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, 259 Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Marion, Suwannee, Taylor, and Union 260 Counties. 261 (d) Northeast Florida Regional Planning Council: Baker, 262 Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam, and St. Johns Counties. 263 (e) East Central Florida Regional Planning Council: Brevard, Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Sumter, and Volusia 264 265 Counties. 266 (f) Central Florida Regional Planning Council: DeSoto, 267 Hardee, Highlands, Okeechobee, and Polk Counties. 268 (g) Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council: Citrus, Hernando, 269 Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, and Pinellas Counties. 270 (h) Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council: Charlotte,

Collier, Glades, Hendry, Lee, and Sarasota Counties.



272 (i) Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council: Indian River, Martin, Palm Beach, and St. Lucie Counties. 273 274 (j) South Florida Regional Planning Council: Broward, 275 Miami-Dade, and Monroe Counties. 276 (2) Beginning January 1, 2016, and thereafter, the Governor 277 may review and update the district boundaries of the regional 278 planning councils pursuant to his authority under s. 186.506(4). 279 (3) For the purposes of transition from one regional 280 planning council to another, the successor regional planning 281 council shall apply the prior strategic regional policy plan to 282 a local government until such time as the successor regional planning council amends its plan pursuant to this chapter to 283 284 include the affected local government within the new region. 285 Section 11. Section 186.513, Florida Statutes, is amended 286 to read: 287 186.513 Reports.—Each regional planning council shall 288 prepare and furnish an annual report on its activities to the 289 state land planning agency as defined in s. 163.3164 and the 290 local general-purpose governments within its boundaries and, 291 upon payment as may be established by the council, to any 292 interested person. The regional planning councils shall make a 293 joint report and recommendations to appropriate legislative 294 committees. 295 Section 12. Section 253.7828, Florida Statutes, is amended 296 to read: 297 253.7828 Impairment of use or conservation by agencies prohibited.—All agencies of the state, regional planning 298

councils, water management districts, and local governments

shall recognize the special character of the lands and waters

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designated by the state as the Cross Florida Greenways State Recreation and Conservation Area and shall not take any action which will impair its use and conservation.

Section 13. Paragraph (j) of subsection (4) of section 339.135, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

339.135 Work program; legislative budget request; definitions; preparation, adoption, execution, and amendment.-

- (4) FUNDING AND DEVELOPING A TENTATIVE WORK PROGRAM.-
- (j) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) and for the 2014-2015 fiscal year only, the department may use up to \$15 million of appropriated funds to pay the costs of strategic and regionally significant transportation projects. Funds may be used to provide up to 75 percent of project costs for production-ready eligible projects. Preference shall be given to projects that support the state's economic regions, or that have been identified as regionally significant in accordance with s. 339.155(4)(c), (d), and (e), and that have an increased level of nonstate match. This paragraph expires July 1, 2015.

Section 14. Paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section 339.155, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 339.155 Transportation planning.-
- (4) ADDITIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANS.-
- (b) Each regional planning council, as provided for in s. 186.504, or any successor agency thereto, shall develop, as an element of its strategic regional policy plan, transportation goals and policies. The transportation goals and policies must be prioritized to comply with the prevailing principles provided in subsection (1) and s. 334.046(1). The transportation goals and policies shall be consistent, to the maximum extent

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feasible, with the goals and policies of the metropolitan planning organization and the Florida Transportation Plan. The transportation goals and policies of the regional planning council will be advisory only and shall be submitted to the department and any affected metropolitan planning organization for their consideration and comments. Metropolitan planning organization plans and other local transportation plans shall be developed consistent, to the maximum extent feasible, with the regional transportation goals and policies. The regional planning council shall review urbanized area transportation plans and any other planning products stipulated in s. 339.175 and provide the department and respective metropolitan planning organizations with written recommendations, which the department and the metropolitan planning organizations shall take under advisement. Further, the regional planning councils shall directly assist local governments that are not part of a metropolitan area transportation planning process in the development of the transportation element of their comprehensive plans as required by s. 163.3177.

Section 15. Subsection (18) of section 380.06, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

380.06 Developments of regional impact.

(18) BIENNIAL REPORTS.—The developer shall submit a biennial report on the development of regional impact to the local government, the regional planning agency, the state land planning agency, and all affected permit agencies in alternate years on the date specified in the development order, unless the development order by its terms requires more frequent monitoring. If the report is not received, the regional planning

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agency or the state land planning agency shall notify the local government. If the local government does not receive the report or receives notification that the regional planning agency or the state land planning agency has not received the report, the local government shall request in writing that the developer submit the report within 30 days. The failure to submit the report after 30 days shall result in the temporary suspension of the development order by the local government. If no additional development pursuant to the development order has occurred since the submission of the previous report, then a letter from the developer stating that no development has occurred shall satisfy the requirement for a report. Development orders that require annual reports may be amended to require biennial reports at the option of the local government.

Section 16. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 403.50663, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

403.50663 Informational public meetings.-

- (2) Informational public meetings shall be held solely at the option of each local government or regional planning council if a public meeting is not held by the local government. It is the legislative intent that local governments or regional planning councils attempt to hold such public meetings. Parties to the proceedings under this act shall be encouraged to attend; however, no party other than the applicant and the department shall be required to attend such informational public meetings.
- (3) A local government or regional planning council that intends to conduct an informational public meeting must provide notice of the meeting to all parties not less than 5 days prior to the meeting and to the general public in accordance with s.

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403.5115(5). The expense for such notice is eligible for reimbursement under s. 403.518(2)(c)1.

Section 17. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 403.507, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

403.507 Preliminary statements of issues, reports, project analyses, and studies.-

- (2)(a) No later than 100 days after the certification application has been determined complete, the following agencies shall prepare reports as provided below and shall submit them to the department and the applicant, unless a final order denying the determination of need has been issued under s. 403.519:
- 1. The Department of Economic Opportunity shall prepare a report containing recommendations which address the impact upon the public of the proposed electrical power plant, based on the degree to which the electrical power plant is consistent with the applicable portions of the state comprehensive plan, emergency management, and other such matters within its jurisdiction. The Department of Economic Opportunity may also comment on the consistency of the proposed electrical power plant with applicable strategic regional policy plans or local comprehensive plans and land development regulations.
- 2. The water management district shall prepare a report as to matters within its jurisdiction, including but not limited to, the impact of the proposed electrical power plant on water resources, regional water supply planning, and district-owned lands and works.
- 3. Each local government in whose jurisdiction the proposed electrical power plant is to be located shall prepare a report as to the consistency of the proposed electrical power plant

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with all applicable local ordinances, regulations, standards, or criteria that apply to the proposed electrical power plant, including any applicable local environmental regulations adopted pursuant to s. 403.182 or by other means.

- 4. The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission shall prepare a report as to matters within its jurisdiction.
- 5. Each regional planning council shall prepare a report containing recommendations that address the impact upon the public of the proposed electrical power plant, based on the degree to which the electrical power plant is consistent with the applicable provisions of the strategic regional policy plan adopted pursuant to chapter 186 and other matters within its iurisdiction.
- 5.6. The Department of Transportation shall address the impact of the proposed electrical power plant on matters within its jurisdiction.
- Section 18. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) and paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 403.508, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
- 403.508 Land use and certification hearings, parties, participants.-
 - (3) (a) Parties to the proceeding shall include:
 - 1. The applicant.
 - 2. The Public Service Commission.
 - 3. The Department of Economic Opportunity.
- 4. The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.
 - 5. The water management district.
 - 6. The department.
 - 7. The regional planning council.



446 7.8. The local government. 447 8.9. The Department of Transportation. 448 (4)(a) The order of presentation at the certification 449 hearing, unless otherwise changed by the administrative law 450 judge to ensure the orderly presentation of witnesses and 451 evidence, shall be: 452 1. The applicant. 453 2. The department. 454 3. State agencies. 455 4. Regional agencies, including regional planning councils 456 and water management districts. 457 5. Local governments. 458 6. Other parties. 459 Section 19. Subsection (5) of section 403.5115, Florida 460 Statutes, is amended to read: 461 403.5115 Public notice. 462 (5) A local government or regional planning council that 463 proposes to conduct an informational public meeting pursuant to s. 403.50663 must publish notice of the meeting in a newspaper 464 465 of general circulation within the county or counties in which 466 the proposed electrical power plant will be located no later 467 than 7 days prior to the meeting. A newspaper of general 468 circulation shall be the newspaper that has the largest daily circulation in that county and has its principal office in that 469 470 county. If the newspaper with the largest daily circulation has 471 its principal office outside the county, the notices shall 472 appear in both the newspaper having the largest circulation in

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Section 20. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 403.526, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

403.526 Preliminary statements of issues, reports, and project analyses; studies.-

- (2) (a) No later than 90 days after the filing of the application, the following agencies shall prepare reports as provided below, unless a final order denying the determination of need has been issued under s. 403.537:
- 1. The department shall prepare a report as to the impact of each proposed transmission line or corridor as it relates to matters within its jurisdiction.
- 2. Each water management district in the jurisdiction of which a proposed transmission line or corridor is to be located shall prepare a report as to the impact on water resources and other matters within its jurisdiction.
- 3. The Department of Economic Opportunity shall prepare a report containing recommendations which address the impact upon the public of the proposed transmission line or corridor, based on the degree to which the proposed transmission line or corridor is consistent with the applicable portions of the state comprehensive plan, emergency management, and other matters within its jurisdiction. The Department of Economic Opportunity may also comment on the consistency of the proposed transmission line or corridor with applicable strategic regional policy plans or local comprehensive plans and land development regulations.
- 4. The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission shall prepare a report as to the impact of each proposed transmission line or corridor on fish and wildlife resources and other matters within its jurisdiction.

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5. Each local government shall prepare a report as to the impact of each proposed transmission line or corridor on matters within its jurisdiction, including the consistency of the proposed transmission line or corridor with all applicable local ordinances, regulations, standards, or criteria that apply to the proposed transmission line or corridor, including local comprehensive plans, zoning regulations, land development regulations, and any applicable local environmental regulations adopted pursuant to s. 403.182 or by other means. A change by the responsible local government or local agency in local comprehensive plans, zoning ordinances, or other regulations made after the date required for the filing of the local government's report required by this section is not applicable to the certification of the proposed transmission line or corridor unless the certification is denied or the application is withdrawn.

6. Each regional planning council shall present a report containing recommendations that address the impact upon the public of the proposed transmission line or corridor based on the degree to which the transmission line or corridor is consistent with the applicable provisions of the strategic regional policy plan adopted under chapter 186 and other impacts of each proposed transmission line or corridor on matters within its jurisdiction.

6.7. The Department of Transportation shall prepare a report as to the impact of the proposed transmission line or corridor on state roads, railroads, airports, aeronautics, seaports, and other matters within its jurisdiction.

7.8. The commission shall prepare a report containing its

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determination under s. 403.537, and the report may include the comments from the commission with respect to any other subject within its jurisdiction.

8.9. Any other agency, if requested by the department, shall also perform studies or prepare reports as to subjects within the jurisdiction of the agency which may potentially be affected by the proposed transmission line.

Section 21. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) and paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section 403.527, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

- 403.527 Certification hearing, parties, participants.
- (2) (a) Parties to the proceeding shall be:
- 1. The applicant.
- 2. The department.
- 3. The commission.
- 4. The Department of Economic Opportunity.
- 5. The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.
- 6. The Department of Transportation.
- 7. Each water management district in the jurisdiction of which the proposed transmission line or corridor is to be located.
 - 8. The local government.
 - 9. The regional planning council.
- (3) (a) The order of presentation at the certification hearing, unless otherwise changed by the administrative law judge to ensure the orderly presentation of witnesses and evidence, shall be:
 - 1. The applicant.
- 2. The department. 561



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- 3. State agencies.
- 4. Regional agencies, including regional planning councils and water management districts.
 - 5. Local governments.
 - 6. Other parties.
- Section 22. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 403.5272, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
 - 403.5272 Informational public meetings.-
- (2) Informational public meetings shall be held solely at the option of each local government or regional planning council. It is the legislative intent that local governments or regional planning councils attempt to hold such public meetings. Parties to the proceedings under this act shall be encouraged to attend; however, a party other than the applicant and the department is not required to attend the informational public meetings.
- (3) A local government or regional planning council that intends to conduct an informational public meeting must provide notice of the meeting, with notice sent to all parties listed in s. 403.527(2)(a), not less than 15 days before the meeting and to the general public in accordance with s. 403.5363(4).

Section 23. Subsection (4) of section 403.7264, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

403.7264 Amnesty days for purging small quantities of hazardous wastes.—Amnesty days are authorized by the state for the purpose of purging small quantities of hazardous waste, free of charge, from the possession of homeowners, farmers, schools, state agencies, and small businesses. These entities have no appropriate economically feasible mechanism for disposing of

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their hazardous wastes at the present time. In order to raise public awareness on this issue, provide an educational process, accommodate those entities which have a need to dispose of small quantities of hazardous waste, and preserve the waters of the state, amnesty days shall be carried out in the following manner:

(4) Regional planning councils shall assist the department in site selection, public awareness, and program coordination. However, the department shall retain full responsibility for the state amnesty days program.

Section 24. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 403.941, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 403.941 Preliminary statements of issues, reports, and studies.-
- (2) (a) The affected agencies shall prepare reports as provided in this paragraph and shall submit them to the department and the applicant within 60 days after the application is determined sufficient:
- 1. The department shall prepare a report as to the impact of each proposed natural gas transmission pipeline or corridor as it relates to matters within its jurisdiction.
- 2. Each water management district in the jurisdiction of which a proposed natural gas transmission pipeline or corridor is to be located shall prepare a report as to the impact on water resources and other matters within its jurisdiction.
- 3. The Department of Economic Opportunity shall prepare a report containing recommendations which address the impact upon the public of the proposed natural gas transmission pipeline or corridor, based on the degree to which the proposed natural gas

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transmission pipeline or corridor is consistent with the applicable portions of the state comprehensive plan and other matters within its jurisdiction. The Department of Economic Opportunity may also comment on the consistency of the proposed natural gas transmission pipeline or corridor with applicable strategic regional policy plans or local comprehensive plans and land development regulations.

- 4. The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission shall prepare a report as to the impact of each proposed natural gas transmission pipeline or corridor on fish and wildlife resources and other matters within its jurisdiction.
- 5. Each local government in which the natural gas transmission pipeline or natural gas transmission pipeline corridor will be located shall prepare a report as to the impact of each proposed natural gas transmission pipeline or corridor on matters within its jurisdiction, including the consistency of the proposed natural gas transmission pipeline or corridor with all applicable local ordinances, regulations, standards, or criteria that apply to the proposed natural gas transmission pipeline or corridor, including local comprehensive plans, zoning regulations, land development regulations, and any applicable local environmental regulations adopted pursuant to s. 403.182 or by other means. No change by the responsible local government or local agency in local comprehensive plans, zoning ordinances, or other regulations made after the date required for the filing of the local government's report required by this section shall be applicable to the certification of the proposed natural gas transmission pipeline or corridor unless the certification is denied or the application is withdrawn.

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- regional planning council in which the natural gas transmission pipeline or natural gas transmission pipeline corridor will be located shall present a report containing recommendations that address the impact upon the public of the proposed natural gas transmission pipeline or corridor, based on the degree to which the natural gas transmission pipeline or corridor is consistent with the applicable provisions of the strategic regional policy plan adopted pursuant to chapter 186 and other impacts of each proposed natural gas transmission pipeline or corridor on matters within its jurisdiction.
- 6.7. The Department of Transportation shall prepare a report on the effect of the natural gas transmission pipeline or natural gas transmission pipeline corridor on matters within its jurisdiction, including roadway crossings by the pipeline. The report shall contain at a minimum:
- a. A report by the applicant to the department stating that all requirements of the department's utilities accommodation quide have been or will be met in regard to the proposed pipeline or pipeline corridor; and
- b. A statement by the department as to the adequacy of the report to the department by the applicant.
- 7.8. The Department of State, Division of Historical Resources, shall prepare a report on the impact of the natural gas transmission pipeline or natural gas transmission pipeline corridor on matters within its jurisdiction.
- 8.9. The commission shall prepare a report addressing matters within its jurisdiction. The commission's report shall include its determination of need issued pursuant to s. 403.9422.



678	Section 25. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) and subsection	
679	(6) of section 403.9411, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:	
680	403.9411 Notice; proceedings; parties and participants.—	
681	(4)(a) Parties to the proceeding shall be:	
682	1. The applicant.	
683	2. The department.	
684	3. The commission.	
685	4. The Department of Economic Opportunity.	
686	5. The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.	
687	6. Each water management district in the jurisdiction of	
688	which the proposed natural gas transmission pipeline or corridor	
689	is to be located.	
690	7. The local government.	
691	8. The regional planning council.	
692	8.9. The Department of Transportation.	
693	9.10. The Department of State, Division of Historical	
694	Resources.	
695	(6) The order of presentation at the certification hearing,	
696	unless otherwise changed by the administrative law judge to	
697	ensure the orderly presentation of witnesses and evidence, shall	
698	be:	
699	(a) The applicant.	
700	(b) The department.	
701	(c) State agencies.	
702	(d) Regional agencies, including regional planning councils	
703	and water management districts.	
704	(e) Local governments.	
705	(f) Other parties.	
706	Section 26. Subsection (6) of section 419.001, Florida	



Statutes, is amended to read:

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419.001 Site selection of community residential homes.-

(6) If agreed to by both the local government and the sponsoring agency, a conflict may be resolved through informal mediation. The local government shall arrange for the services of an independent mediator or may utilize the dispute resolution process established by a regional planning council pursuant to s. 186.509. Mediation shall be concluded within 45 days of a request therefor. The resolution of any issue through the mediation process shall not alter any person's right to a judicial determination of any issue if that person is entitled to such a determination under statutory or common law.

Section 27. Subsection (4) of section 985.682, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

985.682 Siting of facilities; criteria.-

(4) When the department requests such a modification and it is denied by the local government, the local government or the department shall initiate the dispute resolution process established under s. 186.509 to reconcile differences on the siting of correctional facilities between the department, local governments, and private citizens. If the regional planning council has not established a dispute resolution process pursuant to s. 186.509, The department shall establish, by rule, procedures for dispute resolution. The dispute resolution process shall require the parties to commence meetings to reconcile their differences. If the parties fail to resolve their differences within 30 days after the denial, the parties shall engage in voluntary mediation or similar process. If the parties fail to resolve their differences by mediation within 60

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days after the denial, or if no action is taken on the department's request within 90 days after the request, the department must appeal the decision of the local government on the requested modification of local plans, ordinances, or regulations to the Governor and Cabinet. Any dispute resolution process initiated under this section must conform to the time limitations set forth herein. However, upon agreement of all parties, the time limits may be extended, but in no event may the dispute resolution process extend over 180 days.

Section 28. Section 186.0201, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

Section 29. Section 260.018, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

Section 30. Present subsection (13) of section 163.3245, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (14), subsections (3) and (9) of that section are amended, and a new subsection (13) and subsection (15) are added to that section, to read:

163.3245 Sector plans.-

- (3) Sector planning encompasses two levels: adoption pursuant to s. 163.3184 of a long-term master plan for the entire planning area as part of the comprehensive plan, and adoption by local development order of two or more detailed specific area plans that implement the long-term master plan and within which s. 380.06 is waived.
- (a) In addition to the other requirements of this chapter, except for those that are inconsistent with or superseded by the planning standards of this paragraph, a long-term master plan pursuant to this section must include maps, illustrations, and text supported by data and analysis to address the following:

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- 1. A framework map that, at a minimum, generally depicts areas of urban, agricultural, rural, and conservation land use; identifies allowed uses in various parts of the planning area; specifies maximum and minimum densities and intensities of use; and provides the general framework for the development pattern in developed areas with graphic illustrations based on a hierarchy of places and functional place-making components.
- 2. A general identification of the water supplies needed and available sources of water, including water resource development and water supply development projects, and water conservation measures needed to meet the projected demand of the future land uses in the long-term master plan.
- 3. A general identification of the transportation facilities to serve the future land uses in the long-term master plan, including guidelines to be used to establish each modal component intended to optimize mobility.
- 4. A general identification of other regionally significant public facilities necessary to support the future land uses, which may include central utilities provided onsite within the planning area, and policies setting forth the procedures to be used to mitigate the impacts of future land uses on public facilities.
- 5. A general identification of regionally significant natural resources within the planning area based on the best available data and policies setting forth the procedures for protection or conservation of specific resources consistent with the overall conservation and development strategy for the planning area.
 - 6. General principles and guidelines addressing the urban



form and the interrelationships of future land uses; the protection and, as appropriate, restoration and management of lands identified for permanent preservation through recordation of conservation easements consistent with s. 704.06, which shall be phased or staged in coordination with detailed specific area plans to reflect phased or staged development within the planning area; achieving a more clean, healthy environment; limiting urban sprawl; providing a range of housing types; protecting wildlife and natural areas; advancing the efficient use of land and other resources; creating quality communities of a design that promotes travel by multiple transportation modes; and enhancing the prospects for the creation of jobs.

7. Identification of general procedures and policies to facilitate intergovernmental coordination to address extrajurisdictional impacts from the future land uses.

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A long-term master plan adopted pursuant to this section may be based upon a planning period longer than the generally applicable planning period of the local comprehensive plan, shall specify the projected population within the planning area during the chosen planning period, and may include a phasing or staging schedule that allocates a portion of the local government's future growth to the planning area through the planning period. A long-term master plan adopted pursuant to this section is not required to demonstrate need based upon projected population growth or on any other basis.

(b) In addition to the other requirements of this chapter, except for those that are inconsistent with or superseded by the planning standards of this paragraph, the detailed specific area

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plans shall be consistent with the long-term master plan and must include conditions and commitments that provide for:

- 1. Development or conservation of an area of at least 1,000 acres consistent with the long-term master plan. The local government may approve detailed specific area plans of less than 1,000 acres based on local circumstances if it is determined that the detailed specific area plan furthers the purposes of this part and part I of chapter 380.
- 2. Detailed identification and analysis of the maximum and minimum densities and intensities of use and the distribution, extent, and location of future land uses.
- 3. Detailed identification of water resource development and water supply development projects and related infrastructure and water conservation measures to address water needs of development in the detailed specific area plan.
- 4. Detailed identification of the transportation facilities to serve the future land uses in the detailed specific area plan.
- 5. Detailed identification of other regionally significant public facilities, including public facilities outside the jurisdiction of the host local government, impacts of future land uses on those facilities, and required improvements consistent with the long-term master plan.
- 6. Public facilities necessary to serve development in the detailed specific area plan, including developer contributions in a 5-year capital improvement schedule of the affected local government.
- 7. Detailed analysis and identification of specific measures to ensure the protection and, as appropriate,

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restoration and management of lands within the boundary of the detailed specific area plan identified for permanent preservation through recordation of conservation easements consistent with s. 704.06, which easements shall be effective before or concurrent with the effective date of the detailed specific area plan and other important resources both within and outside the host jurisdiction. Any such conservation easement may be based on rectified aerial photographs without the need for a survey and may include a right of adjustment authorizing the grantor to modify portions of the area protected by a conservation easement and substitute other lands in their place if the lands to be substituted contain no less gross acreage than the lands to be removed; have equivalent values in the proportion and quality of wetlands, uplands, and wildlife habitat; and are contiguous to other lands protected by the conservation easement. Substitution is accomplished by recording an amendment to the conservation easement as accepted by and with the consent of the grantee which consent may not be unreasonably withheld.

- 8. Detailed principles and guidelines addressing the urban form and the interrelationships of future land uses; achieving a more clean, healthy environment; limiting urban sprawl; providing a range of housing types; protecting wildlife and natural areas; advancing the efficient use of land and other resources; creating quality communities of a design that promotes travel by multiple transportation modes; and enhancing the prospects for the creation of jobs.
- 9. Identification of specific procedures to facilitate intergovernmental coordination to address extrajurisdictional



impacts from the detailed specific area plan.

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A detailed specific area plan adopted by local development order pursuant to this section may be based upon a planning period longer than the generally applicable planning period of the local comprehensive plan and shall specify the projected population within the specific planning area during the chosen planning period. A detailed specific area plan adopted pursuant to this section is not required to demonstrate need based upon projected population growth or on any other basis. All lands identified in the long-term master plan for permanent preservation shall be subject to a recorded conservation easement consistent with s. 704.06 before or concurrent with the effective date of the final detailed specific area plan to be approved within the planning area. Any such conservation easement may be based on rectified aerial photographs without the need for a survey and may include a right of adjustment authorizing the grantor to modify portions of the area protected by a conservation easement and substitute other lands in their place if the lands to be substituted contain no less gross acreage than the lands to be removed; have equivalent values in the proportion and quality of wetlands, uplands, and wildlife habitat; and are contiguous to other lands protected by the conservation easement. Substitution is accomplished by recording an amendment to the conservation easement as accepted by and with the consent of the grantee which consent may not be unreasonably withheld.

(c) In its review of a long-term master plan, the state land planning agency shall consult with the Department of

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Agriculture and Consumer Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, and the applicable water management district regarding the design of areas for protection and conservation of regionally significant natural resources and for the protection and, as appropriate, restoration and management of lands identified for permanent preservation.

- (d) In its review of a long-term master plan, the state land planning agency shall consult with the Department of Transportation, the applicable metropolitan planning organization, and any urban transit agency regarding the location, capacity, design, and phasing or staging of major transportation facilities in the planning area.
- (e) Whenever a local government issues a development order approving a detailed specific area plan, a copy of such order shall be rendered to the state land planning agency and the owner or developer of the property affected by such order, as prescribed by rules of the state land planning agency for a development order for a development of regional impact. Within 45 days after the order is rendered, the owner, the developer, or the state land planning agency may appeal the order to the Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission by filing a petition alleging that the detailed specific area plan is not consistent with the comprehensive plan or with the long-term master plan adopted pursuant to this section. The appellant shall furnish a copy of the petition to the opposing party, as the case may be, and to the local government that issued the order. The filing of the petition stays the effectiveness of the order until after completion of the appeal process. However, if

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a development order approving a detailed specific area plan has been challenged by an aggrieved or adversely affected party in a judicial proceeding pursuant to s. 163.3215, and a party to such proceeding serves notice to the state land planning agency, the state land planning agency shall dismiss its appeal to the commission and shall have the right to intervene in the pending judicial proceeding pursuant to s. 163.3215. Proceedings for administrative review of an order approving a detailed specific area plan shall be conducted consistent with s. 380.07(6). The commission shall issue a decision granting or denying permission to develop pursuant to the long-term master plan and the standards of this part and may attach conditions or restrictions to its decisions.

- (f) The applicant for a detailed specific area plan shall transmit copies of the application to the reviewing agencies specified in s. 163.3184(1)(c), or their successor agencies, for review and comment as to whether the detailed specific area plan is consistent with the comprehensive plan and the long-term master plan. Any comments from the reviewing agencies shall be submitted in writing to the local government with jurisdiction and to the state land planning agency within 30 days after the applicant's transmittal of the application.
- (g) (f) This subsection does not prevent preparation and approval of the sector plan and detailed specific area plan concurrently or in the same submission.
- (h) If an applicant seeks to use wetland or upland preservation achieved by granting conservation easements required under this section as compensatory mitigation for permitting purposes under chapter 373 or chapter 379, the

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Department of Environmental Protection, the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, or the water management district may accept such mitigation under the criteria established in the uniform assessment method required by s. 373.414, or pursuant to chapter 379, as applicable, without considering the fact that a conservation easement encumbering the same real property was previously recorded pursuant to paragraph (b).

- (9) The adoption of a long-term master plan or a detailed specific area plan pursuant to this section does not limit the right to continue existing agricultural or silvicultural uses or other natural resource-based operations or to establish similar new agricultural or silvicultural uses that are consistent with the plans approved pursuant to this section.
- (13) An applicant with an approved master development order may request that the applicable water management district issue a consumptive use permit as set forth in s. 373.236(8) for the same period of time as the approved master development order.
- (15) The more specific provisions of this section shall supersede the generally applicable provisions of this chapter which otherwise would apply. This section does not preclude a local government from requiring data and analysis beyond the minimum criteria established in this section.

Section 31. Subsection (8) is added to section 373.236, Florida Statutes, to read:

373.236 Duration of permits; compliance reports.-

(8) A water management district may issue a permit to an applicant, as set forth in s. 163.3245(13), for the same period of time as the applicant's approved master development order if the master development order was issued under s. 380.06(21) by a



county which, at the time the order issued, was designated as a rural area of opportunity under s. 288.0656, was not located in an area encompassed by a regional water supply plan as set forth in s. 373.709(1), and was not located within the basin management action plan of a first magnitude spring. In reviewing the permit application and determining the permit duration, the water management district shall apply s. 163.3245(4)(b).

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And the title is amended as follows:

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> An act relating to community development; amending s. 163.08, F.S.; declaring that there is a compelling state interest in enabling property owners to voluntarily finance certain improvements to property damaged by sinkhole activity with local government assistance; expanding the definition of the term "qualifying improvement" to include stabilization or other repairs to property damaged by sinkhole activity; providing that stabilization or other repairs to property damaged by sinkhole activity are qualifying improvements considered affixed to a building or facility; revising the form of a specified written disclosure statement to include an assessment for a qualifying improvement relating to stabilization or repair of property damaged by sinkhole activity; amending s. 163.340, F.S.; expanding the definition of the term "blighted area" to include a substantial

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number or percentage of properties damaged by sinkhole activity which are not adequately repaired or stabilized; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 163.524, F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 163.3184, F.S.; requiring plan amendments proposing a development that qualifies as a development of regional impact to be subject to the state coordinated review process; amending s. 380.06, F.S.; providing that new proposed developments are subject to the state-coordinated review process and not the development of regional impact review process; amending s. 163.3175, F.S.; deleting obsolete provisions; amending s. 163.3246, F.S.; removing restrictions on certain exemptions; amending s. 163.3248, F.S.; removing the requirement that regional planning councils provide assistance in developing a plan for a rural land stewardship area; amending s. 186.505, F.S.; removing the power of regional planning councils to establish and conduct cross-acceptance negotiation processes; creating s. 186.512, F.S.; subdividing the state into specified geographic regions for the purpose of regional comprehensive planning; authorizing the Governor to review and update the district boundaries of the regional planning councils; providing requirements to aid in the transition of regional planning councils; amending s. 186.513, F.S.; deleting the requirement that regional planning councils make joint reports and recommendations; amending s. 253.7828, F.S.;

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conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 339.135, F.S.; deleting obsolete provisions; amending s. 339.155, F.S.; removing certain duties of regional planning councils; amending s. 380.06, F.S.; removing the requirement that certain developers submit biennial reports to regional planning agencies; amending s. 403.50663, F.S.; removing requirements relating to certain informational public meetings; amending s. 403.507, F.S.; removing the requirement that regional planning councils prepare reports addressing the impact of proposed electrical power plants; amending s. 403.508, F.S.; removing the requirement that regional planning councils participate in certain proceedings; amending s. 403.5115, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 403.526, F.S.; removing the requirement that regional planning councils prepare reports addressing the impact of proposed transmission lines or corridors; amending s. 403.527, F.S.; removing the requirement that regional planning councils parties participate in certain proceedings; amending s. 403.5272, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 403.7264, F.S.; removing the requirement that regional planning councils assist with amnesty days for purging small quantities of hazardous wastes; amending s. 403.941, F.S.; removing the requirement that regional planning councils prepare reports addressing the impact of proposed natural gas transmission lines or corridors;

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amending s. 403.9411, F.S.; removing the requirement that regional planning councils participate in certain proceedings; amending ss. 419.001 and 985.682, F.S.; removing provisions relating to the use of a certain dispute resolution process; repealing s. 186.0201, F.S., relating to electric substation planning; repealing s. 260.018, F.S., relating to agency recognition of certain publicly owned lands and waters; amending s. 163.3245, F.S.; providing that other requirements of this chapter inconsistent with or superseded by certain planning standards relating to a long-term master plan do not apply; providing that other requirements of this chapter inconsistent with or superseded by certain planning standards relating to detailed specific area plans do not apply; providing that conservation easements may be based on rectified aerial photographs without the need for a survey and may include a right of adjustment subject to certain requirements; providing that substitution is accomplished by recording an amendment to a conservation easement as accepted by and with the consent of the grantee; requiring the applicant for a detailed specific area plan to transmit copies of the application to specified reviewing agencies for review and comment; requiring such agency comments to be submitted to the local government having jurisdiction and to the state land planning agency, subject to certain requirements; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection, the Fish and Wildlife

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Conservation Commission, or the water management district to accept compensatory mitigation under certain circumstances, pursuant to a specified section or chapter; providing that the adoption of a long-term master plan or a detailed specific area plan pursuant to this section does not limit the right to establish new agricultural or silvicultural uses under certain circumstances; allowing an applicant with an approved master development order to request that the applicable water management district issue a specified consumptive use permit for the same period of time as the approved master development order; providing applicability; providing that a local government is not precluded from requiring data and analysis beyond the minimum criteria established in this section; amending s. 373.236, F.S.; authorizing a water management district to issue a permit to an applicant for the same period of time as the applicant's approved master development order, subject to certain requirements and restrictions; amending