LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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House

Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government (Dean) recommended the following: Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 77 - 185

and insert:

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5 otherwise unavailable, to perform or complete the facility

6 closing or long-term care under this subsection, and the

7 department has used all such funds from the insurance policy or

8 alternative form of financial assurance, the department may use

9 funds from the Solid Waste Management Trust Fund to pay for or

10 reimburse additional expenses needed for performing or

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11	completing the approved facility closure or long-term care
12	activities.
13	(5)(a) Notwithstanding subsection (1), a solid waste
14	landfill closure account is established within the Solid Waste
15	Management Trust Fund to provide funding for the closing and
16	long-term care of solid waste management facilities. The
17	department may use funds from the account to contract with a
18	third party for the closing and long-term care of a solid waste
19	management facility if:
20	1. The facility has or had a department permit to operate
21	the facility;
22	2. The permittee provided proof of financial assurance for
23	closure in the form of an insurance certificate;
24	3. The facility is deemed to be abandoned or was ordered to
25	close by the department;
26	4. Closure is accomplished in substantial accordance with a
27	closure plan approved by the department; and
28	5. The department has written documentation that the
29	insurance company issuing the closure insurance policy will
30	provide or reimburse the funds required to complete closing and
31	long-term care of the facility.
32	(b) The department shall deposit the funds received from
33	the insurance company as reimbursement for the costs of closing
34	or long-term care of the facility into the solid waste landfill
35	closure account.
36	(c) This subsection expires July 1, 2016.
37	Section 2. Effective upon becoming a law, section 403.7095,
38	Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
39	403.7095 Solid waste management grant program

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40	(1) The department shall develop a consolidated grant
41	program for small counties having populations fewer than
42	100,000, with grants to be distributed equally among eligible
43	counties. Programs to be supported with the small-county
44	consolidated grants include those for the purpose of general
45	solid waste management, litter prevention and control, <u>waste</u>
46	tire abatement, and recycling and education programs.
47	(2) The department shall develop a waste tire grant program
48	making grants available to all counties. The department shall
49	ensure that at least 25 percent of the funding available for
50	waste tire grants is distributed equally to each county having a
51	population fewer than 100,000. Of the remaining funds
52	distributed to counties having a population of 100,000 or
53	greater, the department shall distribute those funds on the
54	basis of population.
55	(3) From the funds made available pursuant to s.
56	403.709(1)(e) for the grant program created by this section, the
57	following distributions shall be made:
58	(a) Up to 50 percent for the program described in
59	subsection (1); and
60	(b) Up to 50 percent for the program described in
61	subsection (2).
62	(2)(4) The department may adopt rules necessary to
63	administer this section, including, but not limited to, rules
64	governing timeframes for submitting grant applications, criteria
65	for prioritizing, matching criteria, maximum grant amounts, and
66	allocation of appropriated funds based upon project and
67	applicant size.
68	(5) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section,

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69	and for the 2014-2015 fiscal year only, the Department of
70	Environmental Protection shall award the sum of \$3 million in
71	grants equally to counties having populations of fewer than
72	100,000 for waste tire and litter prevention, recycling
73	education, and general solid waste programs. This subsection
74	expires July 1, 2015.
75	Section 3. For the purpose of incorporating the amendments
76	made by this act to section 403.7095, Florida Statutes, in a
77	reference thereto, paragraph (a) of subsection (6) of section
78	403.413, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:
79	403.413 Florida Litter Law.—
80	(6) PENALTIES; ENFORCEMENT
81	(a) Any person who dumps litter in violation of subsection
82	(4) in an amount not exceeding 15 pounds in weight or 27 cubic
83	feet in volume and not for commercial purposes is guilty of a
84	noncriminal infraction, punishable by a civil penalty of \$100,
85	from which \$50 shall be deposited into the Solid Waste
86	Management Trust Fund to be used for the solid waste management
87	grant program pursuant to s. 403.7095. In addition, the court
88	may require the violator to pick up litter or perform other
89	labor commensurate with the offense committed.
90	Section 4. For the purpose of incorporating the amendments
91	made by this act to section 403.7095, Florida Statutes, in a
92	reference thereto, paragraph (h) of subsection (5) of section
93	403.7032, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:
94	403.7032 Recycling
95	(5) The Department of Environmental Protection shall create
96	the Recycling Business Assistance Center by December 1, 2010. In
97	carrying out its duties under this subsection, the department
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98	shall consult with state agency personnel appointed to serve as
99	economic development liaisons under s. 288.021 and seek
100	technical assistance from Enterprise Florida, Inc., to ensure
101	the Recycling Business Assistance Center is positioned to
102	succeed. The purpose of the center shall be to serve as the
103	mechanism for coordination among state agencies and the private
104	sector in order to coordinate policy and overall strategic
105	planning for developing new markets and expanding and enhancing
106	existing markets for recyclable materials in this state, other
107	states, and foreign countries. The duties of the center must
108	include, at a minimum:
109	(h) Providing evaluation of solid waste management grants,
110	pursuant to s. 403.7095, to reduce the flow of solid waste to
111	disposal facilities and encourage the sustainable recovery of
112	materials from Florida's waste stream.
113	Section 5. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
114	act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2016.
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117	And the title is amended as follows:
118	Delete lines 13 - 28
119	and insert:
120	the department to deposit certain funds into the solid
121	waste landfill closure account; authorizing the
122	department to use funds from the Solid Waste
123	Management Trust Fund to pay for or reimburse
124	specified expenses under certain circumstances;
125	deleting a solid waste landfill closure account within
126	the Solid Waste Management Trust Fund; amending s.
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127	403.7095, F.S.; authorizing waste tire abatement
128	programs under the small county consolidated grant
129	program; removing the waste tire abatement program
130	supported by the solid waste management grant program;
131	removing distribution requirements; deleting an
132	obsolete provision; reenacting ss. 403.413(6)(a) and
133	403.7032(5)(h), F.S., relating to the Florida Litter
134	Law and recycling, respectively, to incorporate the
135	amendments made to s. 403.7095, F.S., in references
136	thereto; providing effective dates.