

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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Representative Caldwell offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove lines 614-623 and insert:

Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 375.041, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

375.041 Land Acquisition Trust Fund.—

(3) Funds distributed into the Land Acquisition Trust Fund pursuant to s. 201.15 shall be applied:

(b) Of the funds remaining after the payments required under paragraph (a), but before funds may be appropriated, pledged, or dedicated for other uses:

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13 1. A minimum of the lesser of 25 percent or \$200 million
14 shall be appropriated annually for Everglades projects that
15 implement the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan as set
16 forth in s. 373.470, including the Central Everglades Planning
17 Project subject to Congressional authorization; the Long-Term
18 Plan as defined in s. 373.4592(2); and the Northern Everglades
19 and Estuaries Protection Program as set forth in s. 373.4595.
20 From these funds, \$32 million shall be distributed each fiscal
21 year through the 2023-2024 fiscal year to the South Florida
22 Water Management District for the Long-Term Plan as defined in
23 s. 373.4592(2). After deducting the \$32 million distributed
24 under this subparagraph, from the funds remaining, a minimum of
25 the lesser of 76.5 percent or \$100 million shall be appropriated
26 each fiscal year through the 2025-2026 fiscal year for the
27 planning, design, engineering, and construction of the
28 Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan as set forth in s.
29 373.470, including the Central Everglades Planning Project
30 subject to Congressional authorization. The Department of
31 Environmental Protection and the South Florida Water Management
32 District shall give preference to those Everglades restoration
33 projects that reduce harmful discharges of water from Lake
34 Okeechobee to the St. Lucie or Caloosahatchee estuaries in a
35 timely manner. For the purpose of performing the calculation
36 provided in this subparagraph, the amount of debt service paid
37 pursuant to paragraph (a) for bonds issued after July 1, 2016,

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38 for the purposes set forth under paragraph (b) shall be added to
39 the amount remaining after the payments required under paragraph
40 (a). The amount of the distribution calculated shall then be
41 reduced by an amount equal to the debt service paid pursuant to
42 paragraph (a) on bonds issued after July 1, 2016, for the
43 purposes set forth under this subparagraph.

44 2. A minimum of the lesser of 7.6 percent or \$50 million
45 shall be appropriated annually for spring restoration,
46 protection, and management projects. For the purpose of
47 performing the calculation provided in this subparagraph, the
48 amount of debt service paid pursuant to paragraph (a) for bonds
49 issued after July 1, 2016, for the purposes set forth under
50 paragraph (b) shall be added to the amount remaining after the
51 payments required under paragraph (a). The amount of the
52 distribution calculated shall then be reduced by an amount equal
53 to the debt service paid pursuant to paragraph (a) on bonds
54 issued after July 1, 2016, for the purposes set forth under this
55 subparagraph.

56 3. The sum of \$5 million shall be appropriated annually
57 each fiscal year through the 2025-2026 fiscal year to the St.
58 Johns River Water Management District for projects dedicated to
59 the restoration of Lake Apopka. This distribution shall be
60 reduced by an amount equal to the debt service paid pursuant to
61 paragraph (a) on bonds issued after July 1, 2016, for the
62 purposes set forth in this subparagraph.

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63 4. The following sums shall be appropriated annually each
64 fiscal year to the Florida Forever Trust Fund created by s.
65 259.1051 for distribution by the Department of Environmental
66 Protection pursuant to s. 259.105(3):

67 a. For the 2018-2019 fiscal year and each fiscal year
68 through the 2020-2021 fiscal year, the sum of \$57 million.

69 b. For the 2021-2022 fiscal year, the sum of \$78 million.

70 c. For the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the sum of \$89 million.

71 d. For the 2023-2024 fiscal year and the 2024-2025 fiscal
72 year, the sum of \$110 million.

73 e. For the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the sum of \$127 million.

74 f. For the 2026-2027 fiscal year, the sum of \$147 million.

75 g. For the 2027-2028 fiscal year, the sum of \$157 million.

76 h. For the 2028-2029 fiscal year, the sum of \$179 million.

77 i. For the 2029-2030 fiscal year and each fiscal year
78 through the 2035-2036 fiscal year, the sum of \$200 million.

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80 The distribution shall be reduced by an amount equal to the debt
81 service paid pursuant to paragraph (a) on bonds issued after
82 July 1, 2017, for the purposes set forth in this subparagraph.
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86 Remove lines 7-11 and insert:

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87 | provisions; amending s. 375.041, F.S.; requiring a
88 | specified amount of funds in the Land Acquisition
89 | Trust Fund within the Department of Environmental
90 | Protection to be appropriated annually each fiscal
91 | year to the Florida Forever Trust Fund; amending ss.

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