Bill No. HB 1347 (2020)

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION ADOPTED ____ (Y/N) ADOPTED AS AMENDED ____ (Y/N) ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION ____ (Y/N) FAILED TO ADOPT ____ (Y/N) WITHDRAWN ____ (Y/N) OTHER

Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Agriculture & Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee Representative Shoaf offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Apalachicola Environmental Stewardship Act."

Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 259.105, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

Section 1. This act may be referred to as "The

259.105 The Florida Forever Act.-

(3) Less the costs of issuing and the costs of funding reserve accounts and other costs associated with bonds, the proceeds of cash payments or bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be deposited into the Florida Forever Trust Fund

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created by s. 259.1051. The proceeds shall be distributed by the Department of Environmental Protection in the following manner:

Thirty-five percent to the Department of Environmental Protection for the acquisition of lands and capital project expenditures described in this section. Of the proceeds distributed pursuant to this paragraph, it is the intent of the Legislature that an increased priority be given to those acquisitions which achieve a combination of conservation goals, including protecting Florida's water resources and natural groundwater recharge. At a minimum, 3 percent, and no more than 10 percent, of the funds allocated pursuant to this paragraph shall be spent on capital project expenditures identified during the time of acquisition which meet land management planning activities necessary for public access. Beginning in the 2017-2018 fiscal year and continuing through the 2026-2027 fiscal year, at least \$5 million of the funds allocated pursuant to this paragraph shall be spent on land acquisition within the Florida Keys Area of Critical State Concern as authorized pursuant to s. 259.045. Beginning in the 2020-2021 fiscal year and continuing through the 2024-2025 fiscal year, at least \$5 million of the funds allocated pursuant to this paragraph shall be spent on projects that improve surface water and groundwater quality within the Apalachicola Bay Area of Critical State Concern as authorized pursuant to s. 380.0555, including the construction and replacement of stormwater management facilities

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and central sewage collection facilities, installation of onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems, direct and indirect potable reuse, and other water quality and water supply projects.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.

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TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:
An act relating to The Apalachicola Environmental Stewardship
Act; providing a short title; amending s. 259.105, F.S.;
appropriating a sum annually for a specified timeframe from the
Florida Forever Trust Fund to the Apalachicola Area of Critical
State Concern for specified purposes; providing an effective
date.

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