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Senator Boyd moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (18) of section 633.202, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

633.202 Florida Fire Prevention Code.-

(18) The authority having jurisdiction shall determine the minimum radio signal strength for fire department communications in all new high-rise and existing high-rise buildings. <u>Two-way</u> radio communication enhancement systems or equivalent systems

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12 may be used to comply with the minimum radio signal strength 13 requirements. However, two-way radio communication enhancement 14 systems or equivalent systems are not required in apartment 15 buildings 75 feet or less in height that are constructed using 16 wood framing, provided that the building has less than 150 17 dwelling units and that all dwelling units discharge to the exterior or to a corridor that leads directly to an exit as 18 19 defined by the Florida Building Code. Evidence of wood frame 20 construction shall be shown by the owner providing building 21 permit documentation which identifies the construction type as 22 wood frame. Existing high-rise buildings as defined by the 23 Florida Building Code are not required to comply with minimum 24 radio strength for fire department communications and two-way 25 radio communication enhancement systems system enhancement 26 communications as required by the Florida Fire Prevention Code 27 until January 1, 2025. However, by January 1, 2024, an existing 28 high-rise building that is not in compliance with the 29 requirements for minimum radio strength for fire department 30 communications must apply for an appropriate permit for the 31 required installation with the local government agency having 32 jurisdiction and must demonstrate that the building will become 33 compliant by January 1, 2025. Existing high-rise apartment 34 buildings are not required to comply until January 1, 2025. 35 However, existing high-rise apartment buildings are required to 36 apply for the appropriate permit for the required communications 37 installation by January 1, 2024. 38 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

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41	And the title is amended as follows:
42	Delete everything before the enacting clause
43	and insert:
44	A bill to be entitled
45	An act relating to two-way radio communication
46	enhancement systems; amending s. 633.202, F.S.;
47	requiring the authority having jurisdiction to
48	determine certain minimum radio signal strength
49	requirements for all new and existing buildings;
50	authorizing the use of two-way radio communication
51	enhancement systems to comply with certain radio
52	signal strength requirements in the Florida Fire
53	Prevention Code; specifying that such systems or
54	equivalent systems are not required in certain
55	apartment buildings; requiring that owners of such
56	apartment buildings provide certain documentation to
57	the applicable authority; exempting existing high-rise
58	buildings and high-rise apartment buildings from
59	certain radio signal strength requirements until a
60	specified date; requiring noncompliant high-rise
61	buildings and high-rise apartment buildings to apply
62	for specified permits by specified dates; providing an
63	effective date.

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