

Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation

HB 7051 — Rules Establishing Numeric Nutrient Criteria

by Agriculture and Natural Resources Subcommittee; and Rep. Caldwell and others (SB 2060 by Environmental Preservation and Conservation Committee)

The bill (Chapter 2012-3, L.O.F.) exempts proposed rule amendments to Rules 62-302 and 62-303 of the Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.) that were proposed for adoption by the Environmental Regulation Commission (ERC) on December 8, 2012, from legislative ratification under s. 120.541(3), F.S. It clarifies that ERC acted within its legislative authority in proposing for adoption Rule 62-302.531(9), F.A.C. Lastly, the bill directs the Department of Environmental Protection to submit the proposed rules to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency within 30 days of this bill becoming a law.

These provisions were approved by the Governor and took effect February 16, 2012.

Vote: Senate 38-0; House 118-0