HOUSE AMENDMENT

Bill No. CS/HB 1755

CHAMBER ACTION Senate House 1 2 3 4 5 ORIGINAL STAMP BELOW 6 7 8 9 10 11 The Committee on Governmental Rules & Regulations offered the 12 following: 13 14 Amendment (with title amendment) Remove from the bill: Everything after the enacting clause 15 16 17 and insert in lieu thereof: Section 1. Section 403.1835, Florida Statutes, is 18 19 amended to read: 20 403.1835 Water pollution control financial assistance Sewage treatment facilities revolving loan program. --21 22 (1) The purpose of this section is to assist in 23 implementing the legislative declaration of public policy as 24 contained in s. 403.021 by establishing a self-perpetuating 25 loan program to accelerate the implementation of water pollution control projects construction of sewage treatment 26 facilities by local governmental agencies and to assist local 27 28 governmental agencies. Projects and activities that may be 29 funded are those eligible under s. 603 of the Federal Water 30 Pollution Control Act (Clean Water Act), Pub.. L. No. 92-500, as amended; including, but not limited to, planning, design, 31 1 File original & 9 copies hgv0002 04/13/00 10:49 am

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construction, and implementation of wastewater management 1 2 systems, stormwater management systems, nonpoint source 3 pollution management systems, and estuary conservation and 4 management. 5 For the purposes of this section, the term: (2) 6 "Local governmental agencies" means local (a) 7 governmental agencies as defined in s. 403.1822(3). 8 (b) "Sewage treatment facilities" means all facilities 9 necessary, including land, for the collection, treatment, or 10 disposal of domestic wastewater. (b)(c) "Bonds" means state bonds, certificates, or 11 12 other obligations of indebtedness issued by the Florida Water 13 Pollution Control Financing Corporation under Division of Bond Finance of the State Board of Administration pursuant to this 14 15 section and s. 403.1837 the State Bond Act. (c) "Corporation" means the Florida Water Pollution 16 17 Control Financing Corporation. 18 (3) The department is authorized to make loans and grants to local governmental agencies to assist them in 19 planning, designing, and constructing sewage treatment 20 21 facilities and stormwater management systems. The department may administer the resulting portfolio of loans, including the 22 authority to sell or pledge the loans, or any portion of the 23 24 loans, with the approval of the Governor, the Treasurer, 25 the Comptroller, acting as the State Board of Administration, to ensure compliance with subsection (1). 26 27 (a) The department may provide financial assistance through any program authorized under s. 603 of the Federal 28 29 Water Pollution Control Act (Clean Water Act), Pub. L. No. 30 92-500, as amended, including but not limited to making grants and loans, providing loan guarantees, purchasing loan 31 2

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insurance or other credit enhancements, and buying or 1 2 refinancing local debt is authorized to make loans, to provide 3 loan guarantees, to purchase loan insurance, and to refinance 4 local debt through the issue of new loans for projects 5 approved by the department. This financial assistance must be administered in accordance with this section and applicable 6 7 federal authorities. The department shall administer all programs operated from funds secured through the activities of 8 the Florida Water Pollution Control Financing Corporation 9 10 under s. 403.1837 to fulfill the purposes of this section. 11 (a) The department may make or request the corporation 12 to make loans to local government agencies, which agencies may 13 pledge any revenue available to them to repay any funds 14 borrowed. 15 (b) The department may make or request the corporation to make loans, grants, and deposits to other entities eligible 16 17 to participate in the financial assistance programs authorized 18 under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, or as a result of other federal action, which entities may pledge any revenue 19 available to them to repay any funds borrowed. 20 The department shall administer financial 21 (C) 22 assistance so that at least 15 percent of the funding made available each year under this section is reserved for use by 23 24 small communities during the year it is reserved. Local governmental agencies are authorized to borrow funds made 25 available pursuant to this section and may pledge any revenue 26 27 available to them to repay any funds borrowed. The department shall administer loans to local governmental agencies so that 28 29 at least 15 percent of each annual allocation for loans is 30 reserved for small communities. 31 (d) (b) The department may make grants to financially 3

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disadvantaged small communities, as defined in s. 403.1838, 1 2 using funds made available from grant allocations on loans 3 authorized under subsection (4). The grants must be 4 administered in accordance with s. 403.1838. 5 (c) The department may make grants to local government 6 agencies as authorized under the Federal Water Pollution 7 Control Act, or as a result of other federal action. The grants must be administered in accordance with this section 8 9 and applicable federal requirements. 10 (4) The term of loans made pursuant to this section shall not exceed 30 years. The department may assess grant 11 12 allocations on the loans made under this section for the 13 purpose of making grants to financially disadvantaged small communities. The combined rate of interest and grant 14 15 allocations on loans shall be no greater than the interest 16 rate paid on the last bonds sold pursuant to s. 14, Art. VII 17 of the State Constitution. The grant allocations on a loan shall be equal to or less than the interest rate on the loan. 18 (5)(a) The department has authority to adopt rules 19 pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement the 20 provisions of this section, including rules to administer the 21 22 state revolving fund authorized pursuant to the Federal Water 23 Pollution Control Act, as amended. 24 (b) The department shall prepare an annual report 25 detailing the amount of grants, amount loaned, interest earned, grant allocations, and loans outstanding at the end of 26 27 each fiscal year. (6) Prior to approval of financial assistance, the 28 29 applicant a construction loan, the local government shall: 30 Submit evidence of credit worthiness, loan (a) 31 security, and a loan Provide a repayment schedule in support 4 04/13/00 10:49 am File original & 9 copies hgv0002 01755-grr -392851

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of a request for a loan. 1 2 (b) Submit plans and specifications and evidence of 3 permittability in support of a request for funding of 4 construction or other activities requiring a permit from the 5 department for sewage treatment facilities and stormwater б management systems. 7 (c) Provide assurance that records will be kept using 8 generally accepted government accounting principals standards 9 and that the department, the Auditor General, or their agents 10 will have access to all records pertaining to the financial 11 assistance provided loan. 12 (d) Provide assurance that the subject facilities, systems, or activities facility will be properly operated and 13 maintained. 14 15 (e) Identify the revenues to be pledged and document their sufficiency for loan repayment and pledged revenue 16 17 coverage in support of a request for a loan Document that the 18 revenues generated will be sufficient to ensure that the facilities will be self-supporting. 19 (f) Provide assurance that annual financial 20 21 information audit reports, and a separate project audit prepared by an independent certified public accountant upon 22 project completion, will be provided as required by submitted 23 24 to the department. 25 (g) Provide assurance that a project audit prepared by an independent certified public accountant upon project 26 27 completion will be submitted to the department in support of a request for a grant. 28 (h)(g) Submit project planning documentation 29 30 demonstrating a cost comparison of alternative methods cost-effectiveness, environmental soundness, public 31 5 04/13/00 10:49 am File original & 9 copies

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participation, and financial feasibility for any proposed 1 project or activity the implementability of the proposed 2 3 sewage treatment facilities and stormwater management systems. 4 (7) Eligible projects must be given priority according 5 to the extent each project is intended to remove, mitigate, or 6 prevent adverse effects on surface or ground water quality and 7 public health. The relative costs of achieving environmental 8 and public health benefits must be taken into consideration during the department's assignment of project priorities. 9 The 10 department shall adopt a priority system by rule. In 11 developing the priority system, the department shall give 12 priority to projects that: 13 (a) Eliminate public health hazards; 14 Enable compliance with laws requiring the (b) 15 elimination of discharges to specific water bodies; (c) Assist in the implementation of total maximum 16 17 daily loads adopted under s. 403.067; 18 (d) Enable compliance with other pollution control requirements, including but not limited to toxics control, 19 wastewater residuals management, and reduction of nutrients 20 21 and bacteria; 22 (e) Assist in the implementation of surface water improvement and management plans approved under 373.456 and 23 24 pollutant load reduction goals developed under state water 25 policy; (f) Promote reclaimed water reuse; 26 27 Eliminate failing onsite sewage treatment and (g) disposal systems or those that are causing environmental 28 29 damage; or 30 (h) Reduce pollutants to and otherwise promote the 31 restoration of Florida's surface and ground waters. However, 6 File original & 9 copies 04/13/00 hqv0002 10:49 am 01755-grr -392851

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preference must be given to eligible projects that protect the 1 2 public health or are required by law to eliminate sewage 3 treatment facility discharges into specific bodies of water. 4 (8)(a) If a local governmental agency becomes 5 delinquent on its loan, the department shall so certify to the 6 Comptroller who shall forward the amount delinquent to the 7 department from any unobligated funds due to the local governmental agency under any revenue-sharing or tax-sharing 8 9 fund established by the state, except as otherwise provided by 10 the State Constitution. Certification of delinquency shall not limit the department from pursuing other remedies available 11 12 for default on a loan. The department may impose a penalty 13 for delinquent loan payments in an the amount not to exceed an interest rate of 18 $extsf{6}$ percent per annum on $extsf{of}$ the amount due 14 15 in addition to charging the cost to handle and process the 16 debt. Penalty interest shall accrue on any amount due and 17 payable beginning on the 30th day following the date upon 18 which payment is due. 19 (b) If a loan recipient, other than a local government agency, defaults under the terms of a loan, the department may 20 21 pursue any remedy available to it at law or in equity. The department may impose a penalty in an amount not to exceed an 22 interest rate of 18 per cent per annum on any amount due in 23 24 addition to charging the cost to handle and process the debt. 25 Penalty interest shall accrue on any amount due and payable beginning on the 30th day following the date upon which such 26 27 amount is due. (9) Funds for the loans and grants authorized under 28 29 this section must be managed as follows: 30 (a) A nonlapsing trust fund with revolving loan 31 provisions to be known as the "Wastewater Treatment and 7

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Stormwater Management Revolving Loan Trust Fund" is 1 2 established in the State Treasury to be used as a revolving fund by the department to carry out the purpose of this 3 4 section. Any funds therein which are not needed on an immediate basis for grants or loans may be invested pursuant 5 6 to s. 215.49. The cost of administering the program shall be 7 paid from federal funds, from reasonable service fees that may be imposed upon loans, and from proceeds from the sale of 8 9 loans as permitted by federal law so as to enhance program 10 perpetuity. Grants awarded by the Federal Government, state matching funds, and investment earnings thereon shall be 11 12 deposited into the trust fund. Proceeds from the sale of loans must be deposited into the trust fund. All moneys available in 13 the trust fund, including investment earnings, are hereby 14 15 designated to carry out the purpose of this section. The principal and interest payments of all loans held by the trust 16 17 fund shall be deposited into this trust fund. 18 1. The department may obligate moneys available in the Wastewater Treatment and Stormwater Management Revolving Loan 19 Trust Fund for payment of amounts payable under any service 20 21 contract entered into by the department under s. 403.1837, subject to annual appropriation by the Legislature. 22 Amounts on deposit in the trust fund in each fiscal year shall first 23 24 be applied or allocated for the payment of amounts payable by the department under this subparagraph and appropriated each 25 year by the Legislature before making or providing for other 26 27 disbursement from the trust fund. 2. Under the provisions of s. 19(f) (3), Art. III of 28 29 the State Constitution, the Wastewater Treatment and 30 Stormwater Management Revolving Loan Trust Fund is exempt from the termination provisions of s. 19(f)(2), Art. III of the 31 8

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2 (b) Revenues from the loan grant allocations 3 authorized under subsection (4), federal appropriations, state 4 matching funds for grants authorized by federal statute or other federal action, and service fees, and all earnings 5 thereon, shall be deposited into the department's Grants and б 7 Donations Trust Fund. Service fees and all earnings thereon must be used solely for program administration. The loan grant 8 9 allocation revenues and earnings thereon must be used solely 10 for the purpose of making grants to financially disadvantaged small communities. Federal appropriations and state matching 11 12 funds for grants authorized by federal statute or other 13 federal action, and earnings thereon, must be used solely for the purposes authorized. All deposits into the department's 14 15 Grants and Donations Trust Fund under this section, and earnings thereon, must be accounted for separately from all 16 17 other moneys deposited into the fund. 18 (10)The department may adopt rules regarding program administration; project eligibilities and priorities, 19 including the development and management of project priority 20 lists; financial assistance application requirements 21 associated with planning, design, construction, and 22 implementation activities, including environmental and 23 24 engineering requirements; financial assistance agreement 25 conditions; disbursement and repayment provisions; auditing provisions; program exceptions; the procedural and contractual 26 27 relationship between the department and the Florida Water Pollution Control Financing Corporation under s. 403.1837; and 28 29 other provisions consistent with the purposes of this section. 30 Because the Legislature has experienced revenue shortfalls in 31 recent years and has been unable to provide enough funds to 9

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fully match available federal funds to help capitalize the 1 2 Wastewater Treatment and Stormwater Management Revolving Loan 3 Trust Fund, it is necessary for innovative approaches to be 4 considered to help capitalize the revolving loan fund. The 5 department shall evaluate potential innovative approaches that can generate funds to match available federal funds. The б 7 department may adopt approaches that will help ensure the 8 continuing viability of the Wastewater Treatment and 9 Stormwater Management Revolving Loan Trust Fund. The 10 department shall consider, among other possible alternatives, the option of implementing by rule a program to allow local 11 12 governments to offer funds voluntarily to the state for use as 13 a match to available federal funds to capitalize the 14 Wastewater Treatment and Stormwater Management Revolving Loan 15 Trust Fund. 16 (11) Any projects for reclaimed water reuse in Monroe 17 County funded from the Wastewater Treatment and Stormwater 18 Management Revolving Loan Trust Fund shall take into account water balances and nutrient balances in order to prevent the 19 runoff of pollutants into surface waters. 20 21 Section 2. Section 403.1837, Florida Statutes, is 22 created to read: 403.1837 Florida Water Pollution Control Financing 23 24 Corporation. --25 (1) The Florida Water Pollution Control Financing Corporation is created as a nonprofit public-benefit 26 27 corporation for the purpose of financing or refinancing the costs of water pollution projects and activities described in 28 29 s. 403.1835. The projects and activities described in that 30 section are found to constitute a public governmental purpose and be necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of all 31 10 File original & 9 copies 04/13/00

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residents, and include legislatively approved fixed capital 1 2 outlay projects. The fulfillment of the purposes of the 3 corporation promotes the health, safety, and welfare of the 4 people of the state and serves essential governmental functions and a paramount public purpose. The activities of 5 the corporation are specifically limited to assisting the 6 7 department in implementing financing activities to provide funding for the programs authorized in s. 403.1835. All other 8 activities relating to the purposes for which the corporation 9 10 raises funds shall be the responsibility of the department, 11 including but not limited to development of program criteria, 12 review of applications for financial assistance, decisions relating to the number and amount of loans or other financial 13 assistance to be provided, and enforcement of the terms of any 14 15 financial assistance agreements provided through funds raised by the corporation. The corporation shall terminate upon 16 17 fulfillment of the purposes of this section. 18 (2) The corporation shall be governed by a board of directors consisting of the Governor's Budget Director or the 19 Budget Director's designee, the Comptroller or the 20 Comptroller's designee, the Treasurer or the Treasurer's 21 designee, and the Secretary of Environmental Protection or the 22 Secretary's designee, until January 7, 2003, at which time the 23 24 board shall include the Chief Financial Officer or the Chief 25 Financial Officer's designee in place of the Treasurer and Comptroller. The executive director of the State Board of 26 27 Administration shall be the chief executive officer of the corporation and shall direct and supervise the administrative 28 29 affairs of the corporation and shall control, direct, and 30 supervise operation of the corporation. The corporation shall have such other officers as may be determined by the board of 31 11

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directors. 1 (3) The corporation shall have all the powers of a 2 3 corporate body under the laws of the state to the extent not 4 inconsistent with or restricted by this section, including but 5 not limited to the power to: (a) Adopt, amend, and repeal bylaws not inconsistent 6 7 with this section. 8 (b) Sue and be sued. (c) Adopt and use a common seal. 9 10 (d) Acquire, purchase, hold, lease, and convey any 11 real and personal property as may be proper or expedient to 12 carry out the purposes of the corporation and this section, 13 and to sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of that property. 14 Elect or appoint and employ such officers, agents, (e) 15 and employees as the corporation considers advisable to operate and manage the affairs of the corporation, which 16 17 officers, agents, and employees may be officers or employees 18 of the department and the state agencies represented on the 19 board of directors of the corporation. Borrow money and issue notes, bonds, certificates 20 (f) of indebtedness, or other obligations or evidences of 21 indebtedness described in s. 403.1835. 22 (g) Operate, as specifically directed by the 23 24 department, any program to provide financial assistance authorized under s. 403.1835(3), which may be funded with any 25 funds received under a service contract with the department, 26 27 from the proceeds of bonds issued by the corporation, or from any other funding sources obtained by the corporation. 28 Sell all or any portion of the loans issued under 29 (h) 30 s. 403.1835 to accomplish the purposes of this section and s. 31 403.1835.

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Make and execute any contracts, trust agreements, 1 (i) 2 and other instruments and agreements necessary or convenient 3 to accomplish the purposes of the corporation and this 4 section. 5 (j) Select, retain, and employ professionals, 6 contractors, or agents, which may include the Division of Bond 7 Finance of the State Board of Administration, as is necessary 8 or convenient to enable or assist the corporation in carrying 9 out is purposes and this section. 10 (k) Do any act or thing necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation and this section. 11 12 (4) The corporation shall evaluate all financial and 13 market conditions necessary and prudent for the purpose of making sound, financially responsible, and cost-effective 14 15 decisions in order to secure additional funds to fulfill the purpose of this section and s. 403.1835. 16 17 (5) The corporation may enter into one or more service 18 contracts with the department under which the corporation shall provide services to the department in connection with 19 financing the functions, projects, and activities provided for 20 in s. 403.1835. The department may enter into one or more 21 service contracts with the corporation and provide for 22 payments under those contracts pursuant to s. 403.1835(9), 23 24 subject to annual appropriation by the Legislature. The 25 service contracts may provide for the transfer of all or a portion of the funds in the Wastewater Treatment and 26 27 Stormwater Management Revolving Loan Trust Fund to the corporation for use by the corporation for costs incurred by 28 29 the corporation in its operations, including but not limited 30 to payment of debt service, reserves, or other costs in 31 relation to bonds issued by the corporation, for use by the 13

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corporation at the request of the department to directly 1 provide the types of local financial assistance provided for 2 3 in s. 403.1835(3), or for payment of the administrative costs 4 of the corporation. The department may not transfer funds under any service contract with the corporation without 5 specific appropriation for such purpose in the General 6 7 Appropriations Act, except for administrative expenses incurred by the State Board of Administration or other 8 expenses necessary pursuant to documents authorizing or 9 10 securing previously issued bonds of the corporation. The 11 service contracts may also provide for the assignment or 12 transfer to the corporation of any loans made by the 13 department. The service contracts may establish the operating relationship between the department and the corporation and 14 15 shall require the department to request the corporation to issue bonds prior to any issuance of bonds by the corporation, 16 17 to take any actions necessary to enforce the agreements 18 entered into between the corporation and other parties, and to take all other actions necessary to assist the corporation in 19 its operations. In compliance with s. 287.0641 and other 20 applicable provisions of law, the obligations of the 21 department under the service contracts does not constitute a 22 general obligation of the state or a pledge of the faith and 23 24 credit or taxing power of the state, nor may the obligations 25 be construed in any manner as an obligation of the State Board of Administration of entities for which it invests funds, or 26 27 the department except as provided in this section as payable solely from amounts available under any service contract 28 29 between the corporation and the department, subject to 30 appropriation. In compliance with this subsection and s. 387.0582, service contracts must expressly include the 31 14

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following statement: "The State of Florida's performance and 1 2 obligation to pay under this contract is contingent upon an 3 annual appropriation by the Legislature." 4 The corporation may issue and incur notes, bonds, (6) 5 certificates of indebtedness, or other obligations or 6 evidences of indebtedness payable from and secured by amounts 7 received from payment of loans and other moneys received by the corporation, including but not limited to amounts payable 8 to the corporation by the department under a service contract 9 10 entered into under subsection (5). The corporation may not issue bonds in excess of an amount authorized by general law 11 12 or an appropriations act except to refund previously issued bonds. The corporation is authorized to issue bonds in 13 amounts not exceeding \$50 million in fiscal year 200-2001, \$75 14 15 million in fiscal year 2001-2002, and \$100 million in fiscal year 2002-2003. The proceeds of the bonds may be used for the 16 17 purpose of providing funds for projects and activities 18 provided for in subsection (1) or for refunding bonds previously issued by the corporation. The corporation may 19 select a financing team and issue obligations through 20 competitive bidding or negotiated contracts, whichever is most 21 cost-effective. Any such indebtedness of the corporation does 22 not constitute a debt or obligation of the state or a pledge 23 24 of the faith and credit or taxing power of the state. The corporation is exempt from taxation and 25 (7) assessments of any nature whatsoever upon its income and any 26 27 property, assets, or revenues acquired, received, or used in the furtherance of the purposes provided in ss. 403.1835 28 through 403.1838. The obligations of the corporation incurred 29 30 under subsection (6) and the interest and income on the obligations and all security agreements, letters of credit, 31 15

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liquidity facilities, or other obligations or instruments 1 2 arising out of, entered into in connection with, or given to 3 secure payment of the obligations are exempt from all 4 taxation, however, the exemption does not apply to any tax 5 imposed by chapter 220 on the interest, income, or profits on 6 debt obligations owned by corporations. 7 The corporation shall validate any bonds issued (8) under this section, except refunding bonds which may be 8 validated at the option of the corporation, by proceedings 9 10 under chapter 75. The validation complaint must be filed only 11 in the Circuit Court for Leon County. The notice required 12 under s. 75.06 must be published in Leon County and the 13 complaint and order of the circuit court shall be served only on the State Attorney for the Second Judicial Circuit. 14 15 Sections 75.04(2) and 75.06(2) do not apply to a validation complaint filed as authorized in this subsection. 16 The 17 validation of the first bonds issued under this section may be 18 appealed to the Supreme Court and the appeal shall be handled 19 on an expedited basis. The corporation and the department shall not take 20 (9) any action that will materially and adversely affect the 21 rights of holders of any obligations issued under this section 22 as long as the obligations are outstanding. 23 24 (10) The corporation is not a special district for 25 purposes of chapter 189 or a unit of local government for purposes of part III of chapter 218. The provisions of 26 27 chapters 120 and 215,, except the limitation on interest rates provided by s. 215.84, which applies to obligations of the 28 29 corporation issued pursuant to this section, and part I of chapter 287, except ss. 287.0582 and 287.0641, do not apply to 30 this section, the corporation created in this section, the 31 16

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service contracts entered into under this section, or debt 1 2 obligations issued by the corporation as provided in this 3 section. 4 (11) The benefits or earnings of the corporation may 5 not inure to the benefit of any private person, except persons 6 receiving grants and loans pursuant to s. 403.1835. 7 (12) Upon dissolution of the corporation, title to all 8 property owned by the corporation reverts to the department. (13) The corporation may contract with the State Board 9 10 of Administration to serve as trustee with respect to debt 11 obligations issued by the corporation as provided by this 12 section and to hold, administer, and invest proceeds of those 13 debt obligations and other funds of the corporation and to 14 perform other services required by the corporation. The State 15 Board of Administration may perform these services and may contract with others to provide all or a part of these 16 17 services and to recover the costs and expenses of providing 18 these services. 19 (14) The Auditor General may conduct a financial audit 20 of the accounts and records of the corporation. 21 Section 3. Section 403.1836, Florida Statutes, is 22 repealed. Section 4. In fiscal year 2000-2001, the Department of 23 24 Environmental Protection is appropriated an amount not to 25 exceed \$10 million from the Wastewater Treatment and Stormwater Management Revolving Loan Trust Fund for the 26 27 purpose of transferring funds to the Florida Water Pollution Control Financing Corporation under service contract to carry 28 out the activities authorized in s. 403.1835 and s. 403.1837, 29 30 Florida Statutes. 31 Section 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a 17

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the State Board of Administration for services;
requiring the Department of Environmental
Protection to obtain legislative spending
authority prior to transferring funds to the
corporation; restricting the corporation from
issuing bonds unless it has legislative
authorization; authorizing the corporation to
issue bonds not in excess of \$50 million in
fiscal year 2000-2001, \$75 million in fiscal
year 2001-2002, and \$100 million in fiscal year
2002-2003; establishing that the corporation is
tax-exempt; requiring validation of bonds;
establishing that the corporation may contract
with the State Board of Administration;
repealing s. 403.1836, F.S.; relating to the
Wastewater Treatment and Stormwater Management
Revolving Loan Trust Fund; authorizing an
appropriation to the Department of
Environmental Protection not to exceed \$10
million in fiscal year 2000-2001 from the
Wastewater Treatment and Stormwater Management
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