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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to just valuation of real property; amending ss. 192.011, 193.011, 193.015, and 193.017, F.S.; deleting requirements for property appraisers to consider the highest and best use of property in determining just valuation; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 192.011, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

appraiser shall assess all property located within the county, except inventory, whether such property is taxable, wholly or partially exempt, or subject to classification reflecting a value less than its just value at its present highest and best use. Extension on the tax rolls shall be made according to regulation promulgated by the department in order properly to reflect the general law. Streets, roads, and highways which have been dedicated to or otherwise acquired by a municipality, a county, or a state agency may be assessed, but need not be.

Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 193.011, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

193.011 Factors to consider in deriving just valuation.--In arriving at just valuation as required under s. 4, Art. VII of the State Constitution, the property appraiser shall take into consideration the following factors:

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The highest and best use to which the property can be expected to be put in the immediate future and the present use of the property, taking into consideration any applicable judicial limitation, local or state land use regulation, or historic preservation ordinance, and considering any moratorium imposed by executive order, law, ordinance, regulation, resolution, or proclamation adopted by any governmental body or agency or the Governor when the moratorium or judicial limitation prohibits or restricts the development or improvement of property as otherwise authorized by applicable law. The applicable governmental body or agency or the Governor shall notify the property appraiser in writing of any executive order, ordinance, regulation, resolution, or proclamation it adopts imposing any such limitation, regulation, or moratorium; Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 193.015, Florida

Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 193.015, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

193.015 Additional specific factor; effect of issuance or denial of permit to dredge, fill, or construct in state waters to their landward extent.--

(1) If the Department of Environmental Protection issues or denies a permit to dredge, fill, or otherwise construct in or on waters of the state, as defined in chapter 403, to their landward extent as determined under s. 403.817(2), the property appraiser is expressly directed to consider the effect of that issuance or denial on the value of the property and any limitation that the issuance or denial may impose on the present highest and best use of the property to its landward extent.

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Section 4. Subsection (4) of section 193.017, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

 193.017 Low-income housing tax credit.--Property used for affordable housing which has received a low-income housing tax credit from the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, as authorized by s. 420.5099, shall be assessed under s. 193.011 and, consistent with s. 420.5099(5) and (6), pursuant to this section.

(4) If an extended low-income housing agreement is filed in the official public records of the county in which the property is located, the agreement, and any recorded amendment or supplement thereto, shall be considered a land-use regulation and a limitation on the highest and best use of the property during the term of the agreement, amendment, or supplement.

Section 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law and shall apply to assessments for tax years beginning January 1, 2009.