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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

Comm: RCS 04/07/2010

The Committee on Community Affairs (Bennett) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (14) is added to section 553.73, Florida Statutes, to read:

553.73 Florida Building Code.-

(14) The provisions of section R313 of the most current version of the International Residential Code relating to mandated fire sprinklers may not be incorporated into the Florida Building Code as adopted by the Florida Building Commission and may not be adopted as a local amendment to the

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Florida Building Code. This subsection does not apply to a local government that has a lawfully adopted ordinance relating to fire sprinklers which has been in effect since January 1, 2010.

Section 2. Subsection (11) is added to section 633.025, Florida Statutes, to read:

633.025 Minimum firesafety standards.-

- (10) (a) Before imposing a fire sprinkler requirement on any one- or two-family dwelling, a local government must provide the owner of any one- or two-family dwelling a letter documenting specific infrastructure or other tax or fee allowances and waivers that are listed in but not limited to those described in subsection (9) for the dwelling. The documentation must show that the cost savings reasonably approximate the cost of the purchase and installation of a fire protection system.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, ordinance, or rule, a single-family dwelling unit is not required to have fire sprinklers irrespective of the use or occupancy category of that unit.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

33 ======== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= And the title is amended as follows: 34

Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

> A bill to be entitled An act relating to residential fire sprinkler requirements; amending s. 553.73, F.S.; prohibiting incorporation into the Florida Building Code certain mandatory residential fire sprinkler provisions of the

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International Residential Code; providing an exception; amending s. 633.025, F.S.; prohibiting a single-family dwelling from being required to have fire sprinklers irrespective of its use or occupancy category; providing an effective date.