LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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

## Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 65 and 66

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Section 1. Section 162.12, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

162.12 Notices.-

(1) All notices required by this part must be provided to the alleged violator by:

10 (a) Certified mail, return receipt requested, to the address listed in the tax collector's office for tax notices  $\overline{r}$  or 11 to the address listed in the county property appraiser's



13 database. The local government may also provide an additional notice to any other address it may find for provided by the 14 15 property owner in writing to the local government for the purpose of receiving notices. For property owned by a 16 17 corporation, notices may be provided by certified mail to the registered agent of the corporation. If any notice sent by 18 19 certified mail is not signed as received within 30 days after the postmarked date of mailing, notice may be provided by 20 21 posting as described in subparagraphs (2) (b)1. and 2.; 22 (b) Hand delivery by the sheriff or other law enforcement 23 officer, code inspector, or other person designated by the local 24 governing body; (c) Leaving the notice at the violator's usual place of 25 26 residence with any person residing therein who is above 15 years of age and informing such person of the contents of the notice; 27 28 or 29 (d) In the case of commercial premises, leaving the notice with the manager or other person in charge. 30 31 (2) In addition to providing notice as set forth in 32 subsection (1), at the option of the code enforcement board or 33 the local government, notice may also be served by publication or posting, as follows: 34 35 (a)1. Such notice shall be published once during each week 36 for 4 consecutive weeks (four publications being sufficient) in 37 a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the code 38 enforcement board is located. The newspaper shall meet such 39 requirements as are prescribed under chapter 50 for legal and official advertisements. 40 41 2. Proof of publication shall be made as provided in ss.

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42 50.041 and 50.051.

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43 (b)1. In lieu of publication as described in paragraph (a), 44 such notice may be posted at least 10 days prior to the hearing, 45 or prior to the expiration of any deadline contained in the notice, in at least two locations, one of which shall be the 46 property upon which the violation is alleged to exist and the 47 other of which shall be, in the case of municipalities, at the 48 49 primary municipal government office, and in the case of 50 counties, at the front door of the courthouse or the main county 51 governmental center in said county.

52 2. Proof of posting shall be by affidavit of the person
53 posting the notice, which affidavit shall include a copy of the
54 notice posted and the date and places of its posting.

(c) Notice by publication or posting may run concurrently with, or may follow, an attempt or attempts to provide notice by hand delivery or by mail as required under subsection (1).

59 Evidence that an attempt has been made to hand deliver or mail 60 notice as provided in subsection (1), together with proof of 61 publication or posting as provided in subsection (2), shall be 62 sufficient to show that the notice requirements of this part 63 have been met, without regard to whether or not the alleged 64 violator actually received such notice.

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67	And the title is amended as follows:
68	Delete line 2
69	and insert:
70	An act relating to building construction; amending s.

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## 71 162.12, F.S.; revising notice requirements in the 72 Local Government Code Enforcement Boards Act; amending 73 s.