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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to smoke detectors; amending s.
3 633.025, F.S.; requiring a battery-operated smoke
4 detector installed on or after a specified date to
5 contain a built-in battery capable of powering it for
6 at least 10 years; providing exemptions; providing an
7 effective date.

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

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11 Section 1. Present subsections (9), (10), and (11) of
12 section 633.025, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections
13 (10), (11), and (12), respectively, and a new subsection (9) is
14 added to that section, to read:

15 633.025 Minimum firesafety standards.-

16 (9) Any battery-operated smoke detector installed on or
17 after January 1, 2014, must contain a built-in battery capable
18 of powering the smoke detector for at least 10 years. However,
19 an electrically operated smoke detector, a fire alarm system
20 containing a smoke detector, a fire alarm device connecting to a
21 panel, or a device using a low-power radio frequency wireless
22 communication signal is exempt from the battery requirements of
23 this section.

24 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.