COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Bill No. HB 915 (2015)

Amendment No. 6

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE	ACTION
ADOPTED	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	(Y/N)
OTHER	

Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Business & Professions Subcommittee

Representative Eagle offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 86 and 87, insert:

7 Section 3. Section 553.721, Florida Statutes, is amended 8 to read:

9 553.721 Surcharge.-In order for the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to administer and carry out the 10 11 purposes of this part and related activities, there is created a 12 surcharge, to be assessed at the rate of 1.5 percent of the permit fees associated with enforcement of the Florida Building 13 Code as defined by the uniform account criteria and specifically 14 15 the uniform account code for building permits adopted for local government financial reporting pursuant to s. 218.32. The 16 minimum amount collected on any permit issued shall be \$2. The 17

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18 unit of government responsible for collecting a permit fee 19 pursuant to s. 125.56(4) or s. 166.201 shall collect the 20 surcharge and electronically remit the funds collected to the 21 department on a quarterly calendar basis for the preceding 22 quarter and continuing each third month thereafter. The unit of 23 government shall retain 10 percent of the surcharge collected to 24 fund the participation of building departments in the national 25 and state building code adoption processes and to provide 26 education related to enforcement of the Florida Building Code. 27 All funds remitted to the department pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the Professional Regulation Trust Fund. 28 29 Funds collected from the surcharge shall be allocated to fund 30 the Florida Building Commission and the Florida Building Code Compliance and Mitigation Program under s. 553.841. Funds 31 32 allocated to the Florida Building Code Compliance and Mitigation Program shall be \$925,000 each fiscal year. The Florida Building 33 34 Code Compliance and Mitigation Program shall fund the 35 recommendations made by the Building Code System Uniform Implementation Evaluation Workgroup, dated April 8, 2013, from 36 37 existing resources, not to exceed \$30,000 in fiscal year 2015-38 2016. Funds collected from the surcharge shall also be used to 39 fund Florida Fire Code informal interpretations managed by the 40 State Fire Marshal and shall be limited to \$15,000 each fiscal 41 year. The funds collected from the surcharge may not be used to 42 fund research on techniques for mitigation of radon in existing 43 buildings. Funds used by the department as well as funds to be

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44 transferred to the Department of Health <u>and the State Fire</u>
45 <u>Marshal</u> shall be as prescribed in the annual General
46 Appropriations Act. The department shall adopt rules governing
47 the collection and remittance of surcharges pursuant to chapter
48 120.

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TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove line 21 and insert:

54 Florida Building Code is violated; amending s. 553.721, F.S.; 55 directing the Florida Building Code Compliance and Mitigation 56 Program to fund the recommendations made by the Building Code 57 System Uniform Implementation Evaluation Workgroup from existing resources; providing a limitation; providing that funds from the 58 surcharge that funds the Florida Building Code Compliance and 59 60 Mitigation Program shall be used to fund Florida Fire Code informal interpretations managed by the State Fire Marshal; 61 62 providing a limitation; amending s. 553.73,

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