COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Bill No. HB 269 (2017)

Amendment No. 1

	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	WITHDRAWN	(Y/N)	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		
1	1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Transportation &		
2	2 Infrastructure Subcommittee		
3	Representative Magar of	fered the following:	
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5	Amendment (with ti	tle amendment)	
6	Remove everything	after the enacting clause and insert:	
7	Section 1. Sectio	n 341.601, Florida Statutes, is created	
8	to read:		
9	341.601 Definitio	ns As used in ss. 341.601 and 341.602,	
10	the term:		
11	(1) "High-spe	ed passenger rail system" means any new	
12	<u>intrastate passenger ra</u>	il system that operates or proposes to	
13	<u>operate its passenger t</u>	rains at a maximum speed in excess of 80	
14	miles per hour on or af	ter July 1, 2017.	
15	(2) "Pedestrian gr	ade crossing" means a separate sidewalk	
16	or pathway where pedest	rians, but not vehicles, cross railroad	
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17	tracks.		
18	(3) "Rail corridor" means a linear, continuous strip of		
19	real property that is used for rail service. The term includes		
20	the corridor and structures essential to railroad operations,		
21	including the land, buildings, improvements, rights-of-way,		
22	easements, rail lines, rail beds, guideway structures, switches,		
23	yards, parking facilities, power relays, switching houses, rail		
24	stations, any ancillary development, and any other facilities or		
25	equipment used for the purposes of construction, operation, or		
26	maintenance of a railroad that provides rail service.		
27	(4) "Railroad company" means any individual, partnership,		
28	association, corporation, or company and its respective lessees,		
29	trustees, or receivers, appointed by a court, that develops or		
30	provides ground transportation that runs on rails, including,		
31	but not limited to:		
32	(a) A high-speed passenger rail system;		
33	(b) A freight railroad carrier; or		
34	(c) A company that owns a rail corridor.		
35	Section 2. Section 341.602, Florida Statutes, is created		
36	to read:		
37	341.602 Operation of a high-speed passenger rail system		
38	over the tracks of another railroad companyA high-speed		
39	passenger rail system operating in a railroad corridor owned by		
40	another railroad company shall be solely responsible for all		
41	rail corridor, public railroad-highway grade crossings, as		
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42	defined by s. 335.141(1)(b), and pedestrian grade crossings		
43	improvements or upgrades relating to the system's operation and		
44	safety. A local government or the state shall not be responsible		
45	for any such costs associated with the construction and		
46	maintenance of the improvements or upgrades necessary to operate		
47	a high-speed passenger rail system unless it expressly consents		
48	in writing.		
49	9 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.		
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53	TITLE AMENDMENT		
54	Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:		
55	An act relating to high-speed passenger rail; creating s.		
56	341.601, F.S.; providing definitions; creating s. 341.602, F.S.;		
57	7 requiring a railroad company operating a high-speed passenger		
58	rail system to be solely responsible for all rail corridor and		
59	at grade crossing improvements or upgrades relating to its		
60	operation and safety; prohibiting a local government or the		
61	state from being responsible for certain costs unless it		
62	expressly consents in writing; providing an effective date.		
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