COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Bill No. HM 799 (2019)

Amendment No.

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	(Y/N)
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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Local, Federal & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee

Representative Overdorf offered the following:

Amendment

Remove lines 9-24 and insert:

7 WHEREAS, a state must seek a memorandum of agreement from 8 the United States Environmental Protection Agency as part of an 9 application to assume a section 404 dredge and fill permitting 10 program under the federal Clean Water Act, and

WHEREAS, Chapter 2018-88, Laws of Florida, authorized the Department of Environmental Protection to seek the assumption of a section 404 dredge and fill permitting program, and

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WHEREAS, the Department of Environmental Protection must complete rulemaking so Florida can complete assumption of the section 404 dredge and fill permitting program, and

18 WHEREAS, the Department of Environmental Protection cannot 19 complete rulemaking until a memorandum of agreement has been 20 finalized, and

21 WHEREAS, since March 2018, the United States Environmental 22 Protection Agency has not finalized a memorandum of agreement so 23 Florida can complete assumption of a section 404 dredge and fill 24 permitting program, and

25 WHEREAS, without the memorandum of agreement, critical 26 environmental restoration activities, including projects under 27 the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan, continue to be 28 delayed, NOW, THEREFORE,

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Remove lines 28-37 and insert:

That the Congress of the United States is urged to direct the United States Environmental Protection Agency to finalize a memorandum of agreement by July 1, 2019, so Florida may complete the assumption of a section 404 dredge and fill permitting program under the federal Clean Water Act.

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