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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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House

Appropriations Subcommittee on Criminal and Civil Justice
(Brandes) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 910 and 911

insert:

Section 22. Section 125.569, Florida Statutes, is created
to read:

125.569 Sanitary sewer lateral inspection program.—

(1) As used in this section, the term "sanitary sewer
lateral" means a privately owned pipeline connecting a property
to the main sewer line which is maintained and repaired by the



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11 property owner.

12 (2) By July 1, 2022, counties are encouraged to establish
13 an evaluation and rehabilitation program for sanitary sewer
14 laterals on residential and commercial properties within the
15 county's jurisdiction to identify and reduce extraneous flow
16 from leaking sanitary sewer laterals. At a minimum, the program
17 may do all of the following:

18 (a) Establish a system to identify defective, damaged, or
19 deteriorated sanitary sewer laterals on residential and
20 commercial properties within the jurisdiction of the county.

21 (b) Consider economical methods for a property owner to
22 repair or replace a defective, damaged, or deteriorated sanitary
23 sewer lateral.

24 (c) Establish and maintain a publicly accessible database
25 to store information concerning properties where a defective,
26 damaged, or deteriorated sanitary sewer lateral has been
27 identified. For each property, the database must include, but is
28 not limited to, the address of the property, the names of any
29 persons the county notified concerning the faulty sanitary sewer
30 lateral, and the date and method of such notification.

31 Section 23. Section 166.0481, Florida Statutes, is created
32 to read:

33 166.0481 Sanitary sewer lateral inspection program.-

34 (1) As used in this section, the term "sanitary sewer
35 lateral" means a privately owned pipeline connecting a property
36 to the main sewer line which is maintained and repaired by the
37 property owner.

38 (2) By July 1, 2022, municipalities are encouraged to
39 establish an evaluation and rehabilitation program for sanitary



40 sewer laterals on residential and commercial properties within
41 the municipality's jurisdiction to identify and reduce
42 extraneous flow from leaking sanitary sewer laterals. At a
43 minimum, the program may do all of the following:

44 (a) Establish a system to identify defective, damaged, or
45 deteriorated sanitary sewer laterals on residential and
46 commercial properties within the jurisdiction of the
47 municipality.

48 (b) Consider economical methods for a property owner to
49 repair or replace a defective, damaged, or deteriorated sanitary
50 sewer lateral.

51 (c) Establish and maintain a publicly accessible database
52 to store information concerning properties where a defective,
53 damaged, or deteriorated sanitary sewer lateral has been
54 identified. For each property, the database must include, but is
55 not limited to, the address of the property, the names of any
56 persons the municipality notified concerning the faulty sanitary
57 sewer lateral, and the date and method of such notification.

58 Section 24. Section 689.301, Florida Statutes, is created
59 to read:

60 689.301 Disclosure of known defects in sanitary sewer
61 laterals to prospective purchaser.—Before executing a contract
62 for sale, a seller of real property shall disclose to a
63 prospective purchaser any defects in the property's sanitary
64 sewer lateral which are known to the seller. As used in this
65 section, the term "sanitary sewer lateral" means the privately
66 owned pipeline connecting a property to the main sewer line.

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69 And the title is amended as follows:

70 Between lines 48 and 49

71 insert:

72 creating ss. 125.569 and 166.0481, F.S.; defining the
73 term "sanitary sewer lateral"; encouraging counties
74 and municipalities, respectively, to establish a
75 sanitary sewer lateral inspection program by a
76 specified date; providing parameters for such a
77 program; creating s. 689.301, F.S.; requiring a seller
78 of real property to disclose any known defects in the
79 property's sanitary sewer lateral; defining the term
80 "sanitary sewer lateral";