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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	(Y/N)
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FAILED TO ADOPT	(Y/N)
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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: State Affairs Committee Representative Chaney offered the following:

Amendment

Remove lines 28-137 and insert:

6 (b)1. Changes, additions, or improvements that replace all 7 or a portion of homestead property damaged or destroyed by 8 misfortune or calamity shall not increase the homestead 9 property's assessed value when the square footage of the 10 homestead property as changed or improved does not exceed 110 11 percent of the square footage of the homestead property before 12 the damage, or destruction, or voluntary elevation of the 13 homestead property if:

14 <u>a. The homestead property was damaged or destroyed by</u> 15 <u>misfortune or calamity; or</u>

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b. At the time the voluntary elevation commences:

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17	(I) The homestead property was not deemed uninhabitable in					
18	part or in whole under state or local law;					
19	(II) All ad valorem taxes, special assessments, county or					
20	municipal utility charges, and other government-imposed liens					
21	against the homestead property have been paid; and					
22	(III) The homestead property did not comply with the					
23	Federal Emergency Management Agency's National Flood Insurance					
24	Program requirements and Florida Building Code elevation					
25	requirements and was elevated in compliance with such					
26	requirements. The property owner must provide elevation					
27	certificates for both the original and elevated homestead					
28	property. For purposes of this subsection, the term "voluntary					
29	elevation" or "voluntarily elevated" means the elevation of an					
30	existing nonconforming homestead property or the removal and					
31	rebuilding of a nonconforming homestead property. Conforming					
32	areas below an elevated structure designated only for parking,					
33	storage, or access may not be included in the 110 percent					
34	calculation unless the area exceeds 110 percent of the lowest					
35	level square footage before the voluntary elevation, in which					
36	case the area in excess of 110 percent of the lowest level					
37	square footage before the voluntary elevation shall be included					
38	in the 110 percent calculation.					
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40	Additionally, the homestead property's assessed value $\underline{\sf may}$ shall					
41	not increase if the total square footage of the homestead					
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42 property as changed, or improved, or elevated does not exceed 1,500 square feet. 43 44 2. The provisions of this paragraph do not apply if, after completion of the voluntary elevation, there is a change in the 45 46 classification of the property pursuant to s. 195.073(1). 47 (c)1. Changes, additions, or improvements that do not 48 cause the total to exceed 110 percent of the total square footage of the homestead property before the qualifying damage, 49 or destruction, or voluntary elevation or that do not cause the 50 total to exceed 1,500 total square feet shall be reassessed as 51 52 provided under subsection (1). The homestead property's assessed 53 value shall be increased by the just value of that portion of 54 the changed or improved homestead property which is in excess of 55 110 percent of the square footage of the homestead property 56 before the qualifying damage, or destruction, or voluntary 57 elevation or of that portion exceeding 1,500 square feet. 58 Homestead property damaged, or voluntarily 59 elevated by misfortune or calamity which, after being changed or 60 improved, has a square footage of less than 100 percent of the 61 homestead property's total square footage before the qualifying 62 damage, or destruction, or voluntary elevation shall be assessed 63 pursuant to subsection (5).

64 (d) For changes, additions, or improvements made to
 65 replace property that was damaged or destroyed by misfortune or
 66 calamity, this subsection paragraph applies to the changes,

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additions, or improvements commenced within 3 years after the
January 1 following the <u>qualifying</u> damage or destruction of the
homestead property.

70 <u>(e) (c)</u> Changes, additions, or improvements that replace 71 all or a portion of real property that was damaged, or 72 destroyed, or voluntarily elevated by misfortune or calamity 73 shall be assessed upon substantial completion as if such 74 <u>qualifying damage, or</u> destruction, or voluntary elevation had 75 not occurred and in accordance with paragraph (b) if the owner 76 of such property:

1. Was permanently residing on such property when the qualifying damage, or destruction, or voluntary elevation occurred;

80 2. Was not entitled to receive homestead exemption on such81 property as of January 1 of that year; and

3. Applies for and receives homestead exemption on suchproperty the following year.

(f) (d) Changes, additions, or improvements include 84 85 improvements made to common areas or other improvements made to 86 property other than to the homestead property by the owner or by 87 an owner association, which improvements directly benefit the homestead property. Such changes, additions, or improvements 88 shall be assessed at just value, and the just value shall be 89 apportioned among the parcels benefiting from the improvement. 90 Section 2. Subsection (6) of section 193.1554, Florida 91

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92	Statutes,	is	amended	to	read:	
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93 193.1554 Assessment of nonhomestead residential property.94 (6) (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) and s. 193.624,
95 changes, additions, or improvements to nonhomestead residential
96 property shall be assessed at just value as of the first January
97 1 after the changes, additions, or improvements are
98 substantially completed.

(b)<u>1.</u> Changes, additions, or improvements that replace all or a portion of nonhomestead residential property damaged or destroyed by misfortune or calamity shall not increase the property's assessed value when the square footage of the property as changed or improved does not exceed 110 percent of the square footage of the property before the damage, or destruction, or voluntary elevation of the property if:

106a. The property was damaged or destroyed by misfortune or107calamity; or

b. At the time the voluntary elevation commences:

109(I) The property was not deemed uninhabitable in part or110in whole under state or local law;

(II) All ad valorem taxes, special assessments, county or municipal utility charges, and other government-imposed liens against the homestead property have been paid; and

114 <u>(III) The property did not comply with the Federal</u> 115 <u>Emergency Management Agency's National Flood Insurance Program</u> 116 requirements and Florida Building Code elevation requirements

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117 and was elevated in compliance with such requirements. The 118 property owner must provide elevation certificates for both the 119 original and the elevated property. For purposes of this subsection, the term "voluntary elevation" or "voluntarily 120 elevated" means the elevation of an existing nonconforming 121 122 nonhomestead residential property or the removal and rebuilding of a nonconforming nonhomestead residential property. Conforming 123 124 areas below an elevated structure designated only for parking, 125 storage, or access may not be included in the 110 percent 126 calculation unless the area exceeds 110 percent of the lowest level square footage before the voluntary elevation, in which 127 128 case the area in excess of 110 percent of the lowest level 129 square footage before the voluntary elevation shall be included 130 in the 110 percent calculation. 131 132 Additionally, the property's assessed value may shall not increase if the total square footage of the property as changed, 133 or improved, or elevated does not exceed 1,500 square feet. 134 135 2. The provisions of this paragraph do not apply if, after completion of the voluntary elevation, there is a change in the 136 classification of the property pursuant to s. 195.073(1).

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