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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Regulated Industries (Diaz) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 355 and 356

insert:

Section 6. Subsection (3) of section 489.509, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (1) of that section is republished, to read:

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(1) The board, by rule, shall establish fees to be paid for applications, examination, reexamination, transfers, licensing

489.509 Fees.-

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11 and renewal, reinstatement, and recordmaking and recordkeeping. 12 The examination fee shall be in an amount that covers the cost of obtaining and administering the examination and shall be 13 14 refunded if the applicant is found ineligible to sit for the examination. The application fee is nonrefundable. The fee for 15 16 initial application and examination for certification of 17 electrical contractors may not exceed \$400. The initial 18 application fee for registration may not exceed \$150. The 19 biennial renewal fee may not exceed \$400 for certificateholders 20 and \$200 for registrants. The fee for initial application and 21 examination for certification of alarm system contractors may 22 not exceed \$400. The biennial renewal fee for certified alarm 23 system contractors may not exceed \$450. The board may establish 24 a fee for a temporary certificate as an alarm system contractor 25 not to exceed \$75. The board may also establish by rule a 26 delinquency fee not to exceed \$50. The fee to transfer a 27 certificate or registration from one business organization to 28 another may not exceed \$200. The fee for reactivation of an 29 inactive license may not exceed \$50. The board shall establish 30 fees that are adequate to ensure the continued operation of the 31 board. Fees shall be based on department estimates of the 32 revenue required to implement this part and the provisions of 33 law with respect to the regulation of electrical contractors and 34 alarm system contractors.

35 (3) Four dollars of each fee under subsection (1) paid to 36 the department at the time of application or renewal shall be 37 transferred at the end of each licensing period to the 38 department to fund projects relating to the building 39 construction industry or continuing education programs offered

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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40	to persons engaged in the building construction industry in
41	Florida. The board shall, at the time the funds are transferred,
42	advise the department on the most needed areas of research or
43	continuing education based on significant changes in the
44	industry's practices or on the most common types of consumer
45	complaints or on problems costing the state or local
46	governmental entities substantial waste. The board's advice is
47	not binding on the department. The department shall ensure the
48	distribution of research reports and the availability of
49	continuing education programs to all segments of the building
50	construction industry to which they relate. The department shall
51	report to the board in October of each year, summarizing the
52	allocation of the funds by institution and summarizing the new
53	projects funded and the status of previously funded projects.
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55	=========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =================================
56	And the title is amended as follows:
57	Between lines 23 and 24
58	insert:
59	488.509, F.S.; deleting requirements relating to
60	certain fees collected by the department for
61	electrical and alarm system contracting; amending s.