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

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

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and insert: 4

> fence. The term also includes, and ancillary components or equipment attached to such a low-voltage alarm system or lowvoltage electric fence, including, but not limited to, homeautomation equipment, thermostats, closed-circuit television systems, access controls, battery recharging devices, and video cameras.

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Section 3. Section 553.7932, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

553.7932 Simplified permitting process for fire alarm system projects.-

- (1) As used in this section, the term:
- (a) "Contractor" means a person who is qualified to engage in the business of electrical or alarm system contracting pursuant to a certificate or registration issued by the department under part II of chapter 489.
- (b) "Fire alarm system project" means a fire alarm system alteration of a total of 20 or fewer initiating devices and notification devices, or the installation or replacement of a fire communicator connected to an existing fire alarm control panel in an existing commercial, residential, apartment, cooperative, or condominium building.
- (2)(a) A local enforcement agency may require a contractor, as a condition of obtaining a permit for a fire alarm system project, to submit a completed application and payment.
- (b) A local enforcement agency may not require a contractor to submit plans or specifications as a condition of obtaining a permit for a fire alarm system project.
- (3) A local enforcement agency may issue a permit for a fire alarm system project in person or electronically.
- (4) A local enforcement agency must require at least one inspection of a fire alarm system project to ensure compliance with applicable codes and standards. If a fire alarm system project fails an inspection, the contractor must take corrective action as necessary to pass inspection.
 - (5) A contractor must keep a copy of the plans and



specifications at a fire alarm system project worksite and make such plans and specifications available to the inspector at each inspection.

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======= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= And the title is amended as follows:

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47 and insert:

> systems; creating s. 553.7932, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing a local enforcement agency to require a contractor to submit certain documentation and payment for obtaining a permit for a fire alarm system project; prohibiting a local enforcement agency from requiring plans and specifications as a condition for obtaining a permit for a fire alarm system project; authorizing a local enforcement agency to issue certain permits in person or electronically; requiring a local enforcement agency to perform at least one inspection for a fire alarm system project; requiring a contractor to keep certain documentation at a worksite for a fire alarm system project and make such documentation available for inspection;