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A bill to be entitled An act relating to housing; providing a short title; amending s. 125.0103, F.S.; deleting the authority of local governments to adopt or maintain laws, ordinances, rules, or other measures that would have the effect of imposing controls on rents; amending s. 125.01055, F.S.; revising applicability for areas of critical state concern; specifying requirements for, and restrictions on, counties in approving certain housing developments; providing for future expiration; amending s. 125.379, F.S.; revising the date by which counties must prepare inventory lists of real property; requiring counties to make the inventory lists publicly available on their websites; authorizing counties to use certain properties for affordable housing through a long-term land lease; revising requirements for counties relating to inventory lists of certain property for affordable housing; providing that counties are encouraged to adopt best practices for surplus land programs; amending s. 166.04151, F.S.; revising applicability for areas of critical state concern; specifying requirements for, and restrictions on, municipalities in approving applications for certain housing developments; providing for future expiration;

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on documentary stamp tax proceeds; providing for future repeal; amending s. 215.22, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; providing for the future expiration and reversion of specified statutory text; amending s. 220.02, F.S.; specifying the order of application of Live Local Program tax credits against the state corporate income tax; amending s. 220.13, F.S.; specifying requirements for the addition to adjusted federal income of amounts taken as a credit under the Live Local Program; amending s. 220.183, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 220.186, F.S.; providing applicability of Live Local Program tax credits to the Florida alternative minimum tax credit; creating s. 220.1878, F.S.; providing a credit against the state corporate income tax under the Live Local Program; specifying requirements and procedures for making eligible contributions and claiming the credit; amending s. 220.222, F.S.; requiring returns filed in connection with the Live Local Program tax credits to include the amount of certain credits; amending s. 253.034, F.S.; modifying requirements for the analysis included in land use plans; making technical changes; amending s. 253.0341, F.S.; requiring that local government requests for the state to surplus

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request to the Secretary of Economic Opportunity; providing for the future expiration and reversion of specified statutory text; amending s. 420.5087, F.S.; revising prioritization of funds for the State Apartment Incentive Loan Program; creating s. 420.50871, F.S.; specifying requirements for, and authorized actions by, the corporation in allocating certain increased revenues during specified fiscal years to finance certain housing projects; providing construction; providing for future repeal; providing a directive to the Division of Law Revision; creating s. 420.50872, F.S.; defining terms; creating the Live Local Program; specifying responsibilities of the corporation; specifying the annual tax credit cap; specifying requirements for applying for tax credits with the department; providing requirements for the carryforward of credits; specifying restrictions on, and requirements for, the conveyance, transfer, or assignment of credits; providing requirements and procedures for the rescindment of credits; specifying procedures for calculating underpayments and penalties; providing construction; authorizing the department and the corporation to develop a cooperative agreement; authorizing the department to adopt rules; requiring the department to annually

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notify certain taxpayers of certain information; creating s. 420.5096, F.S.; providing legislative findings; creating the Florida Hometown Hero Program for a specified purpose; authorizing the corporation to underwrite and make certain mortgage loans; specifying terms for such loans and requirements for borrowers; authorizing loans made under the program to be used for the purchase of certain manufactured homes; providing construction; amending s. 420.531, F.S.; authorizing the Florida Housing Corporation to contract with certain entities to provide technical assistance to local governments in establishing selection criteria for proposals to use certain property for affordable housing purposes; amending s. 420.6075, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s. 553.792, F.S.; requiring local governments to maintain on their websites a policy relating to the expedited processing of certain building permits and development orders; amending s. 624.509, F.S.; specifying the order of application of Live Local Program tax credits against the insurance premium tax; amending s. 624.5105, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the act; creating s. 624.51058, F.S.; providing a credit against the insurance premium tax under the Live Local Program; providing a requirement for making

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eligible contributions; providing construction; providing applicability; exempting a certain initiative from certain evacuation time constraints; specifying that certain comprehensive plan amendments are valid; authorizing certain local governments to adopt local ordinances or regulations for certain purposes; authorizing the department to adopt emergency rules; providing for future expiration of such rulemaking authority; providing appropriations; providing a declaration of important state interest; providing effective dates.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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- Section 1. This act may be cited as the "Live Local Act."

 Section 2. Section 125.0103, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 218 125.0103 Ordinances and rules imposing price controls; 219 findings required; procedures.—
 - (1)(a) Except as hereinafter provided, <u>a</u> no county, municipality, or other entity of local government <u>may not shall</u> adopt or maintain in effect an ordinance or a rule <u>that which</u> has the effect of imposing price controls upon a lawful business activity <u>that which</u> is not franchised by, owned by, or under contract with, the governmental agency, unless specifically

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226 provided by general law.

- (b) This section does not prevent the enactment by local governments of public service rates otherwise authorized by law, including water, sewer, solid waste, public transportation, taxicab, or port rates, rates for towing of vehicles or vessels from or immobilization of vehicles or vessels on private property, or rates for removal and storage of wrecked or disabled vehicles or vessels from an accident scene or the removal and storage of vehicles or vessels in the event the owner or operator is incapacitated, unavailable, leaves the procurement of wrecker service to the law enforcement officer at the scene, or otherwise does not consent to the removal of the vehicle or vessel.
- charged on the towing of vehicles or vessels from or immobilization of vehicles or vessels on private property, removal and storage of wrecked or disabled vehicles or vessels from an accident scene or for the removal and storage of vehicles or vessels, in the event the owner or operator is incapacitated, unavailable, leaves the procurement of wrecker service to the law enforcement officer at the scene, or otherwise does not consent to the removal of the vehicle or vessel. However, if a municipality chooses to enact an ordinance establishing the maximum rates for the towing or immobilization of vehicles or vessels as described in paragraph (b), the

county's ordinance <u>does</u> shall not apply within such municipality.

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- (2) No law, ordinance, rule, or other measure which would have the effect of imposing controls on rents shall be adopted or maintained in effect except as provided herein and unless it is found and determined, as hereinafter provided, that such controls are necessary and proper to eliminate an existing housing emergency which is so grave as to constitute a serious menace to the general public.
- (3) Any law, ordinance, rule, or other measure which has the effect of imposing controls on rents shall terminate and expire within 1 year and shall not be extended or renewed except by the adoption of a new measure meeting all the requirements of this section.
- (4) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, no controls shall be imposed on rents for any accommodation used or offered for residential purposes as a seasonal or tourist unit, as a second housing unit, or on rents for dwelling units located in luxury apartment buildings. For the purposes of this section, a luxury apartment building is one wherein on January 1, 1977, the aggregate rent due on a monthly basis from all dwelling units as stated in leases or rent lists existing on that date divided by the number of dwelling units exceeds \$250.
- (5) A No municipality, county, or other entity of local government may not shall adopt or maintain in effect any law,

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ordinance, rule, or other measure that which would have the effect of imposing controls on rents unless:

- (a) Such measure is duly adopted by the governing body of such entity of local government, after notice and public hearing, in accordance with all applicable provisions of the Florida and United States Constitutions, the charter or charters governing such entity of local government, this section, and any other applicable laws.
- (b) Such governing body makes and recites in such measure its findings establishing the existence in fact of a housing emergency so grave as to constitute a serious menace to the general public and that such controls are necessary and proper to eliminate such grave housing emergency.
- (c) Such measure is approved by the voters in such municipality, county, or other entity of local government.
- (6) In any court action brought to challenge the validity of rent control imposed pursuant to the provisions of this section, the evidentiary effect of any findings or recitations required by subsection (5) shall be limited to imposing upon any party challenging the validity of such measure the burden of going forward with the evidence, and the burden of proof (that is, the risk of nonpersuasion) shall rest upon any party seeking to have the measure upheld.
- (3)(7) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, municipalities, counties, or other entities of local

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government may adopt and maintain in effect any law, ordinance, rule, or other measure which is adopted for the purposes of increasing the supply of affordable housing using land use mechanisms such as inclusionary housing ordinances.

Section 3. Subsections (5) and (6) of section 125.01055, Florida Statutes, are amended, and subsection (7) is added to that section, to read:

125.01055 Affordable housing.-

- (5) Subsection (4) (2) does not apply in an area of critical state concern, as designated in s. 380.0552.
- (6) Notwithstanding any other law or local ordinance or regulation to the contrary, the board of county commissioners may approve the development of housing that is affordable, as defined in s. 420.0004, including, but not limited to, a mixed-use residential development, on any parcel zoned for residential, commercial, or industrial use. If a parcel is zoned for commercial or industrial use, an approval pursuant to this subsection may include any residential development project, including a mixed-use residential development project, so long as at least 10 percent of the units included in the project are for housing that is affordable and the developer of the project agrees not to apply for or receive funding under s. 420.5087. The provisions of this subsection are self-executing and do not require the board of county commissioners to adopt an ordinance or a regulation before using the approval process in this

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326 subsection.

- residential as allowable uses in any area zoned for commercial or mixed use if at least 40 percent of the residential units in a proposed multifamily rental development are, for a period of at least 30 years, affordable as defined in s. 420.0004.

 Notwithstanding any other law, local ordinance, or regulation to the contrary, a county may not require a proposed multifamily development to obtain a zoning or land use change, special exception, conditional use approval, variance, or comprehensive plan amendment for the building height, zoning, and densities authorized under this subsection. For mixed-use residential projects, at least 65 percent of the total square footage must be used for residential purposes.
- (b) A county may not restrict the density of a proposed development authorized under this subsection below the highest allowed density on any unincorporated land in the county where residential development is allowed.
- (c) A county may not restrict the height of a proposed development authorized under this subsection below the highest currently allowed height for a commercial or residential development located in its jurisdiction within 1 mile of the proposed development or 3 stories, whichever is higher.
- (d) A proposed development authorized under this subsection must be administratively approved and no further

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action by the board of county commissioners is required if the
development satisfies the county's land development regulations
for multifamily developments in areas zoned for such use and is
otherwise consistent with the comprehensive plan, with the
exception of provisions establishing allowable densities,
height, and land use. Such land development regulations include,
but are not limited to, regulations relating to setbacks and
parking requirements.
(e) A county must consider reducing parking requirements
for a proposed development authorized under this subsection if
the development is located within one-half mile of a major
transit stop, as defined in the county's land development code,
and the major transit stop is accessible from the development.
(f) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a
development authorized under this subsection must comply with
all applicable state and local laws and regulations.
(g) This subsection expires October 1, 2033.
Section 4. Section 125.379, Florida Statutes, is amended
to read:
125.379 Disposition of county property for affordable
housing
(1) By <u>October 1, 2023</u> July 1, 2007 , and every 3 years
thereafter, each county shall prepare an inventory list of all

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real property within its jurisdiction to which the county or any

dependent special district within its boundaries holds fee

simple title which that is appropriate for use as affordable housing. The inventory list must include the address and legal description of each such real property and specify whether the property is vacant or improved. The governing body of the county must review the inventory list at a public hearing and may revise it at the conclusion of the public hearing. The governing body of the county shall adopt a resolution that includes an inventory list of such property following the public hearing.

Each county shall make the inventory list publicly available on its website to encourage potential development.

affordable housing on the inventory list adopted by the county may be used for affordable housing through a long-term land lease requiring the development and maintenance of affordable housing, offered for sale and the proceeds used to purchase land for the development of affordable housing or to increase the local government fund earmarked for affordable housing, or may be sold with a restriction that requires the development of the property as permanent affordable housing, or may be donated to a nonprofit housing organization for the construction of permanent affordable housing. Alternatively, the county or special district may otherwise make the property available for use for the production and preservation of permanent affordable housing. For purposes of this section, the term "affordable" has the same meaning as in s. 420.0004(3).

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401	(3) Counties are encouraged to adopt best practices for
402	surplus land programs, including, but not limited to:
403	(a) Establishing eligibility criteria for the receipt or
404	purchase of surplus land by developers;
405	(b) Making the process for requesting surplus lands
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407	(c) Ensuring long-term affordability through ground leases
408	by retaining the right of first refusal to purchase property
409	that would be sold or offered at market rate and by requiring
410	reversion of property not used for affordable housing within a
411	certain timeframe.
412	Section 5. Subsections (5) and (6) of section 166.04151,
413	Florida Statutes, are amended, and subsection (7) is added to
414	that section, to read:
415	166.04151 Affordable housing.—
416	(5) Subsection $\underline{(4)}$ (2) does not apply in an area of
417	critical state concern, as designated by s. 380.0552 or chapter
418	28-36, Florida Administrative Code.
419	(6) Notwithstanding any other law or local ordinance or
420	regulation to the contrary, the governing body of a municipality
421	may approve the development of housing that is affordable, as
422	defined in s. 420.0004, including, but not limited to, a mixed-
423	use residential development, on any parcel zoned for

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residential, commercial, or industrial use. If a parcel is zoned

for commercial or industrial use, an approval pursuant to this

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subsection may include any residential development project, including a mixed-use residential development project, so long as at least 10 percent of the units included in the project are for housing that is affordable and the developer of the project agrees not to apply for or receive funding under s. 420.5087. The provisions of this subsection are self-executing and do not require the governing body to adopt an ordinance or a regulation before using the approval process in this subsection.

- (7) (a) A municipality must authorize multifamily and mixed-use residential as allowable uses in any area zoned for commercial or mixed use if at least 40 percent of the residential units in a proposed multifamily rental development are, for a period of at least 30 years, affordable as defined in s. 420.0004. Notwithstanding any other law, local ordinance, or regulation to the contrary, a municipality may not require a proposed multifamily development to obtain a zoning or land use change, special exception, conditional use approval, variance, or comprehensive plan amendment for the building height, zoning, and densities authorized under this subsection. For mixed-use residential projects, at least 65 percent of the total square footage must be used for residential purposes.
- (b) A municipality may not restrict the density of a proposed development authorized under this subsection below the highest allowed density on any land in the municipality where residential development is allowed.

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451	(c) A municipality may not restrict the height of a
452	proposed development authorized under this subsection below the
453	highest currently allowed height for a commercial or residential
454	development located in its jurisdiction within 1 mile of the
455	proposed development or 3 stories, whichever is higher.
456	(d) A proposed development authorized under this
457	subsection must be administratively approved and no further
458	action by the governing body of the municipality is required if
459	the development satisfies the municipality's land development
460	regulations for multifamily developments in areas zoned for such
461	use and is otherwise consistent with the comprehensive plan,
462	with the exception of provisions establishing allowable
463	densities, height, and land use. Such land development
464	regulations include, but are not limited to, regulations
465	relating to setbacks and parking requirements.
466	(e) A municipality must consider reducing parking
467	requirements for a proposed development authorized under this
468	subsection if the development is located within one-half mile of
469	a major transit stop, as defined in the municipality's land
470	development code, and the major transit stop is accessible from
471	the development.
472	(f) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a
473	development authorized under this subsection must comply with
474	all applicable state and local laws and regulations.
475	(g) This subsection expires October 1, 2033.

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Section 6. Section 166.043, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

166.043 Ordinances and rules imposing price controls; findings required; procedures.—

- (1)(a) Except as hereinafter provided, <u>a</u> no county, municipality, or other entity of local government <u>may not shall</u> adopt or maintain in effect an ordinance or a rule <u>that which</u> has the effect of imposing price controls upon a lawful business activity <u>that which</u> is not franchised by, owned by, or under contract with, the governmental agency, unless specifically provided by general law.
- (b) This section does not prevent the enactment by local governments of public service rates otherwise authorized by law, including water, sewer, solid waste, public transportation, taxicab, or port rates, rates for towing of vehicles or vessels from or immobilization of vehicles or vessels on private property, or rates for removal and storage of wrecked or disabled vehicles or vessels from an accident scene or the removal and storage of vehicles or vessels in the event the owner or operator is incapacitated, unavailable, leaves the procurement of wrecker service to the law enforcement officer at the scene, or otherwise does not consent to the removal of the vehicle or vessel.
- (c) Counties must establish maximum rates which may be charged on the towing of vehicles or vessels from or

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immobilization of vehicles or vessels on private property, removal and storage of wrecked or disabled vehicles or vessels from an accident scene or for the removal and storage of vehicles or vessels, in the event the owner or operator is incapacitated, unavailable, leaves the procurement of wrecker service to the law enforcement officer at the scene, or otherwise does not consent to the removal of the vehicle or vessel. However, if a municipality chooses to enact an ordinance establishing the maximum rates for the towing or immobilization of vehicles or vessels as described in paragraph (b), the county's ordinance established under s. 125.0103 does shall not apply within such municipality.

- (2) No law, ordinance, rule, or other measure which would have the effect of imposing controls on rents shall be adopted or maintained in effect except as provided herein and unless it is found and determined, as hereinafter provided, that such controls are necessary and proper to eliminate an existing housing emergency which is so grave as to constitute a serious menace to the general public.
- (3) Any law, ordinance, rule, or other measure which has the effect of imposing controls on rents shall terminate and expire within 1 year and shall not be extended or renewed except by the adoption of a new measure meeting all the requirements of this section.
 - (4) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section,

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no controls shall be imposed on rents for any accommodation used or offered for residential purposes as a seasonal or tourist unit, as a second housing unit, or on rents for dwelling units located in luxury apartment buildings. For the purposes of this section, a luxury apartment building is one wherein on January 1, 1977, the aggregate rent due on a monthly basis from all dwelling units as stated in leases or rent lists existing on that date divided by the number of dwelling units exceeds \$250.

- (5) A No municipality, county, or other entity of local government may not shall adopt or maintain in effect any law, ordinance, rule, or other measure that which would have the effect of imposing controls on rents unless:
- (a) Such measure is duly adopted by the governing body of such entity of local government, after notice and public hearing, in accordance with all applicable provisions of the Florida and United States Constitutions, the charter or charters governing such entity of local government, this section, and any other applicable laws.
- (b) Such governing body makes and recites in such measure its findings establishing the existence in fact of a housing emergency so grave as to constitute a serious menace to the general public and that such controls are necessary and proper to eliminate such grave housing emergency.
- (c) Such measure is approved by the voters in such municipality, county, or other entity of local government.

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(6) In any court action brought to challenge the validity of rent control imposed pursuant to the provisions of this section, the evidentiary effect of any findings or recitations required by subsection (5) shall be limited to imposing upon any party challenging the validity of such measure the burden of going forward with the evidence, and the burden of proof (that is, the risk of nonpersuasion) shall rest upon any party seeking to have the measure upheld.

(3)(7) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, municipalities, counties, or other entity of local government may adopt and maintain in effect any law, ordinance, rule, or other measure which is adopted for the purposes of increasing the supply of affordable housing using land use mechanisms such as inclusionary housing ordinances.

Section 7. Section 166.0451, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

166.0451 Disposition of municipal property for affordable housing.—

(1) By October 1, 2023 July 1, 2007, and every 3 years thereafter, each municipality shall prepare an inventory list of all real property within its jurisdiction to which the municipality or any dependent special district within its boundaries holds fee simple title which that is appropriate for use as affordable housing. The inventory list must include the address and legal description of each such property and specify

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whether the property is vacant or improved. The governing body of the municipality must review the inventory list at a public hearing and may revise it at the conclusion of the public hearing. Following the public hearing, the governing body of the municipality shall adopt a resolution that includes an inventory list of such property. Each municipality shall make the inventory list publicly available on its website to encourage potential development.

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- (2)The properties identified as appropriate for use as affordable housing on the inventory list adopted by the municipality may be used for affordable housing through a longterm land lease requiring the development and maintenance of affordable housing, offered for sale and the proceeds may be used to purchase land for the development of affordable housing or to increase the local government fund earmarked for affordable housing, or may be sold with a restriction that requires the development of the property as permanent affordable housing, or may be donated to a nonprofit housing organization for the construction of permanent affordable housing. Alternatively, the municipality or special district may otherwise make the property available for use for the production and preservation of permanent affordable housing. For purposes of this section, the term "affordable" has the same meaning as in s. 420.0004(3).
 - (3) Municipalities are encouraged to adopt best practices

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601 for surplus land programs, including, but not limited to: 602 Establishing eligibility criteria for the receipt or 603 purchase of surplus land by developers; 604 (b) Making the process for requesting surplus lands 605 publicly available; and 606 (c) Ensuring long-term affordability through ground leases 607 by retaining the right of first refusal to purchase property 608 that would be sold or offered at market rate and by requiring 609 reversion of property not used for affordable housing within a 610 certain timeframe. Section 8. Effective January 1, 2024, subsection (1) of 611 612 section 196.1978, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (3) is added to that section, to read: 613 614 196.1978 Affordable housing property exemption. -615 (1)(a) Property used to provide affordable housing to 616 eligible persons as defined by s. 159.603 and natural persons or 617 families meeting the extremely-low-income, very-low-income, low-618 income, or moderate-income limits specified in s. 420.0004, 619 which is owned entirely by a nonprofit entity that is a 620 corporation not for profit, qualified as charitable under s. 621 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and in compliance with Rev. Proc. 96-32, 1996-1 C.B. 717, is considered property owned 622 623 by an exempt entity and used for a charitable purpose, and those

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income, very low income, low income, or moderate income under s. 420.0004 are exempt from ad valorem taxation to the extent authorized under s. 196.196. All property identified in this subsection must comply with the criteria provided under s. 196.195 for determining exempt status and applied by property appraisers on an annual basis. The Legislature intends that any property owned by a limited liability company which is disregarded as an entity for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Treasury Regulation 301.7701-3(b)(1)(ii) be treated as owned by its sole member. If the sole member of the limited liability company that owns the property is also a limited liability company that is disregarded as an entity for federal income tax purposes pursuant to Treasury Regulation 301.7701-3(b)(1)(ii), the Legislature intends that the property be treated as owned by the sole member of the limited liability company that owns the limited liability company that owns the property. Units that are vacant and units that are occupied by natural persons or families whose income no longer meets the income limits of this subsection, but whose income met those income limits at the time they became tenants, shall be treated as portions of the affordable housing property exempt under this subsection if a recorded land use restriction agreement in favor of the Florida Housing Finance Corporation or any other governmental or quasi-governmental jurisdiction requires that all residential units within the property be used in a manner

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that qualifies for the exemption under this subsection and if the units are being offered for rent.

- (b) Land that is owned entirely by a nonprofit entity that is a corporation not for profit, qualified as charitable under s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and in compliance with Rev. Proc. 96-32, 1996-1 C.B. 717, and is leased for a minimum of 99 years for the purpose of, and is predominantly used for, providing housing to natural persons or families meeting the extremely-low-income, very-low-income, low-income, or moderate-income limits specified in s. 420.0004 is exempt from ad valorem taxation. For purposes of this paragraph, land is predominantly used for qualifying purposes if the square footage of the improvements on the land used to provide qualifying housing is greater than 50 percent of the square footage of all improvements on the land. This paragraph first applies to the 2024 tax roll and is repealed December 31, 2059.
 - (3) (a) As used in this subsection, the term:
- 1. "Corporation" means the Florida Housing Finance Corporation.
- 2. "Newly constructed" means an improvement to real property which was substantially completed within 5 years before the date of an applicant's first submission of a request for certification or an application for an exemption pursuant to this section, whichever is earlier.
 - 3. "Substantially completed" has the same meaning as in s.

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- (b) Notwithstanding ss. 196.195 and 196.196, portions of property in a multifamily project are considered property used for a charitable purpose and are eligible to receive an advalorem property tax exemption if such portions:
- 1. Provide affordable housing to natural persons or
 families meeting the income limitations provided in paragraph
 (d);
- 2. Are within a newly constructed multifamily project that contains more than 70 units dedicated to housing natural persons or families meeting the income limitations provided in paragraph (d); and
- 3. Are rented for an amount that does not exceed the amount as specified by the most recent multifamily rental programs income and rent limit chart posted by the corporation and derived from the Multifamily Tax Subsidy Projects Income Limits published by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development or 90 percent of the fair market value rent as determined by a rental market study meeting the requirements of paragraph (m), whichever is less.
- (c) If a unit that in the previous year qualified for the exemption under this subsection and was occupied by a tenant is vacant on January 1, the vacant unit is eligible for the exemption if the use of the unit is restricted to providing affordable housing that would otherwise meet the requirements of

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this subsection and a reasonable effort is made to lease the unit to eligible persons or families.

- (d)1. Qualified property used to house natural persons or families whose annual household income is greater than 80 percent but not more than 120 percent of the median annual adjusted gross income for households within the metropolitan statistical area or, if not within a metropolitan statistical area, within the county in which the person or family resides, must receive an ad valorem property tax exemption of 75 percent of the assessed value.
- 2. Qualified property used to house natural persons or families whose annual household income does not exceed 80 percent of the median annual adjusted gross income for households within the metropolitan statistical area or, if not within a metropolitan statistical area, within the county in which the person or family resides, is exempt from ad valorem property taxes.
- (e) To receive an exemption under this subsection, a property owner must submit an application on a form prescribed by the department by March 1 for the exemption, accompanied by a certification notice from the corporation to the property appraiser.
- (f) To receive a certification notice, a property owner must submit a request to the corporation for certification on a form provided by the corporation which includes all of the

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726 following:

- 1. The most recently completed rental market study meeting the requirements of paragraph (m).
- 2. A list of the units for which the property owner seeks an exemption.
- 3. The rent amount received by the property owner for each unit for which the property owner seeks an exemption. If a unit is vacant and qualifies for an exemption under paragraph (c), the property owner must provide evidence of the published rent amount for each vacant unit.
- 4. A sworn statement, under penalty of perjury, from the applicant restricting the property for a period of not less than 3 years to housing persons or families who meet the income limitations under this subsection.
- (g) The corporation shall review the request for certification and certify property that meets the eligibility criteria of this subsection. A determination by the corporation regarding a request for certification does not constitute final agency action pursuant to chapter 120.
- 1. If the corporation determines that the property meets the eligibility criteria for an exemption under this subsection, the corporation must send a certification notice to the property owner and the property appraiser.
- 2. If the corporation determines that the property does not meet the eligibility criteria, the corporation must notify

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the property owner and include the reasons for such determination.

- (h) The corporation shall post on its website the deadline to submit a request for certification. The deadline must allow adequate time for a property owner to submit a timely application for exemption to the property appraiser.
- (i) The property appraiser shall review the application and determine if the applicant is entitled to an exemption. A property appraiser may grant an exemption only for a property for which the corporation has issued a certification notice.
- during the immediately previous 10 years a person who was not entitled to an exemption under this subsection was granted such an exemption, the property appraiser must serve upon the owner a notice of intent to record in the public records of the county a notice of tax lien against any property owned by that person in the county, and that property must be identified in the notice of tax lien. Any property owned by the taxpayer and situated in this state is subject to the taxes exempted by the improper exemption, plus a penalty of 50 percent of the unpaid taxes for each year and interest at a rate of 15 percent per annum. If an exemption is improperly granted as a result of a clerical mistake or an omission by the property appraiser, the property owner improperly receiving the exemption may not be assessed a penalty or interest.

(k) Units subject to an agreement with the corporation pursuant to chapter 420 recorded in the official records of the county in which the property is located to provide housing to natural persons or families meeting the extremely-low-income, very-low-income, or low-income limits specified in s. 420.0004 are not eligible for this exemption.

(1) Property receiving an exemption pursuant to s. 196.1979 is not eligible for this exemption.

- (m) A rental market study submitted as required by paragraph (f) must identify the fair market value rent of each unit for which a property owner seeks an exemption. Only a certified general appraiser as defined in s. 475.611 may issue a rental market study. The certified general appraiser must be independent of the property owner who requests the rental market study. In preparing the rental market study, a certified general appraiser shall comply with the standards of professional practice pursuant to part II of chapter 475 and use comparable property within the same geographic area and of the same type as the property for which the exemption is sought. A rental market study must have been completed within 3 years before submission of the application.
- (n) The corporation may adopt rules to implement this section.
- (o) This subsection first applies to the 2024 tax roll and is repealed December 31, 2059.

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801	Section 9. Section 196.1979, Florida Statutes, is created
802	to read:
803	196.1979 County and municipal affordable housing property
804	exemption
805	(1)(a) Notwithstanding ss. 196.195 and 196.196, the board
806	of county commissioners of a county or the governing body of a
807	municipality may adopt an ordinance to exempt those portions of
808	property used to provide affordable housing meeting the
809	requirements of this section. Such property is considered
810	property used for a charitable purpose. To be eligible for the
811	exemption, the portions of property:
812	1. Must be used to house natural persons or families whose
813	annual household income:
814	a. Is greater than 30 percent but not more than 60 percent
815	of the median annual adjusted gross income for households within
816	the metropolitan statistical area or, if not within a
817	metropolitan statistical area, within the county in which the
818	person or family resides; or
819	b. Does not exceed 30 percent of the median annual
820	adjusted gross income for households within the metropolitan
821	statistical area or, if not within a metropolitan statistical
822	area, within the county in which the person or family resides;
823	2. Must be within a multifamily project containing 50 or

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more residential units, at least 20 percent of which are used to

provide affordable housing that meets the requirements of this

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- 3. Must be rented for an amount no greater than the amount as specified by the most recent multifamily rental programs income and rent limit chart posted by the corporation and derived from the Multifamily Tax Subsidy Projects Income Limits published by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development or 90 percent of the fair market value rent as determined by a rental market study meeting the requirements of subsection (4), whichever is less;
- 4. May not have been cited for code violations on three or more occasions in the 24 months before the submission of a tax exemption application;
- 5. May not have any cited code violations that have not been properly remedied by the property owner before the submission of a tax exemption application; and
- 6. May not have any unpaid fines or charges relating to the cited code violations. Payment of unpaid fines or charges before a final determination on a property's qualification for an exemption under this section will not exclude such property from eligibility if the property otherwise complies with all other requirements for the exemption.
- (b) Qualified property may receive an ad valorem property tax exemption of:
- 1. Up to 75 percent of the assessed value of each residential unit used to provide affordable housing if fewer

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than 100 percent of the multifamily project's residential units are used to provide affordable housing meeting the requirements of this section.

- 2. Up to 100 percent of the assessed value if 100 percent of the multifamily project's residential units are used to provide affordable housing meeting the requirements of this section.
- (c) The board of county commissioners of the county or the governing body of the municipality, as applicable, may choose to adopt an ordinance that exempts property used to provide affordable housing for natural persons or families meeting the income limits of sub-subparagraph (a)1.a., natural persons or families meeting the income limits of sub-subparagraph (a)1.b., or both.
- (2) If a residential unit that in the previous year qualified for the exemption under this section and was occupied by a tenant is vacant on January 1, the vacant unit may qualify for the exemption under this section if the use of the unit is restricted to providing affordable housing that would otherwise meet the requirements of this section and a reasonable effort is made to lease the unit to eligible persons or families.
- (3) An ordinance granting the exemption authorized by this section must:
- (a) Be adopted under the procedures for adoption of a nonemergency ordinance by a board of county commissioners

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specified in chapter 125 or by a municipal governing body specified in chapter 166.

- (b) Designate the local entity under the supervision of the board of county commissioners or governing body of a municipality which must develop, receive, and review applications for certification and develop notices of determination of eligibility.
- (c) Require the property owner to apply for certification by the local entity in order to receive the exemption. The application for certification must be on a form provided by the local entity designated pursuant to paragraph (b) and include all of the following:
- 1. The most recently completed rental market study meeting the requirements of subsection (4).
- 2. A list of the units for which the property owner seeks an exemption.
- 3. The rent amount received by the property owner for each unit for which the property owner seeks an exemption. If a unit is vacant and qualifies for an exemption under subsection (2), the property owner must provide evidence of the published rent amount for the vacant unit.
- (d) Require the local entity to verify and certify property that meets the requirements of the ordinance as qualified property and forward the certification to the property owner and the property appraiser. If the local entity denies the

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exemption, it must notify the applicant and include reasons for the denial.

(e) Require the eligible unit to meet the eligibility criteria of paragraph (1)(a).

- (f) Require the property owner to submit an application for exemption, on a form prescribed by the department, accompanied by the certification of qualified property, to the property appraiser no later than March 1.
- (g) Specify that the exemption applies only to the taxes levied by the unit of government granting the exemption.
- (h) Specify that the property may not receive an exemption authorized by this section after expiration or repeal of the ordinance.
- (i) Identify the percentage of the assessed value which is exempted, subject to the percentage limitations in paragraph (1)(b).
- (j) Identify whether the exemption applies to natural persons or families meeting the income limits of subsubparagraph (1)(a)1.a., natural persons or families meeting the income limits of sub-subparagraph (1)(a)1.b., or both.
- (k) Require that the deadline to submit an application for certification be published on the county's or municipality's website. The deadline must allow adequate time for a property owner to make a timely application for exemption to the property appraiser.

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(1) Require the county or municipality to post on its website a list of certified properties for the purpose of facilitating access to affordable housing.

- (4) A rental market study submitted as required by paragraph (3)(c) must identify the fair market value rent of each unit for which a property owner seeks an exemption. Only a certified general appraiser, as defined in s. 475.611, may issue a rental market study. The certified general appraiser must be independent of the property owner who requests a rental market study. In preparing the rental market study, a certified general appraiser shall comply with the standards of professional practice pursuant to part II of chapter 475 and use comparable property within the same geographic area and of the same type as the property for which the exemption is sought. A rental market study must have been completed within 3 years before submission of the application.
- (5) An ordinance adopted under this section must expire before the fourth January 1 after adoption; however, the board of county commissioners or the governing body of the municipality may adopt a new ordinance to renew the exemption.

 The board of county commissioners or the governing body of the municipality shall deliver a copy of an ordinance adopted under this section to the department and the property appraiser within 10 days after its adoption. If the ordinance expires or is repealed, the board of county commissioners or the governing

body of the municipality must notify the department and the property appraiser within 10 days after its expiration or repeal.

- during the immediately previous 10 years a person who was not entitled to an exemption under this section was granted such an exemption, the property appraiser must serve upon the owner a notice of intent to record in the public records of the county a notice of tax lien against any property owned by that person in the county, and that property must be identified in the notice of tax lien. Any property owned by the taxpayer and situated in this state is subject to the taxes exempted by the improper exemption, plus a penalty of 50 percent of the unpaid taxes for each year and interest at a rate of 15 percent per annum. If an exemption is improperly granted as a result of a clerical mistake or an omission by the property appraiser, the property owner improperly receiving the exemption may not be assessed a penalty or interest.
- (7) This section first applies to the 2024 tax roll.

 Section 10. Section 201.15, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 201.15 Distribution of taxes collected.—All taxes collected under this chapter are hereby pledged and shall be first made available to make payments when due on bonds issued pursuant to s. 215.618 or s. 215.619, or any other bonds

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authorized to be issued on a parity basis with such bonds. Such pledge and availability for the payment of these bonds shall have priority over any requirement for the payment of service charges or costs of collection and enforcement under this section. All taxes collected under this chapter, except taxes distributed to the Land Acquisition Trust Fund pursuant to subsections (1) and (2), are subject to the service charge imposed in s. 215.20(1). Before distribution pursuant to this section, the Department of Revenue shall deduct amounts necessary to pay the costs of the collection and enforcement of the tax levied by this chapter. The costs and service charge may not be levied against any portion of taxes pledged to debt service on bonds to the extent that the costs and service charge are required to pay any amounts relating to the bonds. All of the costs of the collection and enforcement of the tax levied by this chapter and the service charge shall be available and transferred to the extent necessary to pay debt service and any other amounts payable with respect to bonds authorized before January 1, 2017, secured by revenues distributed pursuant to this section. All taxes remaining after deduction of costs shall be distributed as follows:

(1) Amounts necessary to make payments on bonds issued pursuant to s. 215.618 or s. 215.619, as provided under paragraphs (3)(a) and (b), or on any other bonds authorized to be issued on a parity basis with such bonds shall be deposited

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1001 into the Land Acquisition Trust Fund.

- (2) If the amounts deposited pursuant to subsection (1) are less than 33 percent of all taxes collected after first deducting the costs of collection, an amount equal to 33 percent of all taxes collected after first deducting the costs of collection, minus the amounts deposited pursuant to subsection (1), shall be deposited into the Land Acquisition Trust Fund.
- (3) Amounts on deposit in the Land Acquisition Trust Fund shall be used in the following order:
- (a) Payment of debt service or funding of debt service reserve funds, rebate obligations, or other amounts payable with respect to Florida Forever bonds issued pursuant to s. 215.618. The amount used for such purposes may not exceed \$300 million in each fiscal year. It is the intent of the Legislature that all bonds issued to fund the Florida Forever Act be retired by December 31, 2040. Except for bonds issued to refund previously issued bonds, no series of bonds may be issued pursuant to this paragraph unless such bonds are approved and the debt service for the remainder of the fiscal year in which the bonds are issued is specifically appropriated in the General Appropriations Act or other law with respect to bonds issued for the purposes of s. 373.4598.
- (b) Payment of debt service or funding of debt service reserve funds, rebate obligations, or other amounts due with respect to Everglades restoration bonds issued pursuant to s.

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215.619. Taxes distributed under paragraph (a) and this paragraph must be collectively distributed on a pro rata basis when the available moneys under this subsection are not sufficient to cover the amounts required under paragraph (a) and this paragraph.

- Bonds issued pursuant to s. 215.618 or s. 215.619 are equally and ratably secured by moneys distributable to the Land Acquisition Trust Fund.
- Acquisition Trust Fund pursuant to subsections (1) and (2), the lesser of 8 percent of the remainder or \$150 million in each fiscal year shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the State Housing Trust Fund and shall be expended pursuant to s. 420.50871. If 8 percent of the remainder is greater than \$150 million in any fiscal year, the difference between 8 percent of the remainder and \$150 million shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the General Revenue Fund. and deduction of the service charge imposed pursuant to s. \$215.20(1), The remainder shall be distributed as follows:
- (a) The lesser of 20.5453 percent of the remainder or \$466.75 million in each fiscal year shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the State Transportation Trust Fund. Notwithstanding any other law, the amount credited to the State Transportation Trust Fund shall be used for:

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1. Capital funding for the New Starts Transit Program, authorized by Title 49, U.S.C. s. 5309 and specified in s. 341.051, in the amount of 10 percent of the funds;

- 2. The Small County Outreach Program specified in s. 339.2818, in the amount of 10 percent of the funds;
- 3. The Strategic Intermodal System specified in ss. 339.61, 339.62, 339.63, and 339.64, in the amount of 75 percent of the funds after deduction of the payments required pursuant to subparagraphs 1. and 2.; and
- 4. The Transportation Regional Incentive Program specified in s. 339.2819, in the amount of 25 percent of the funds after deduction of the payments required pursuant to subparagraphs 1. and 2. The first \$60 million of the funds allocated pursuant to this subparagraph shall be allocated annually to the Florida Rail Enterprise for the purposes established in s. 341.303(5).
- (b) The lesser of 0.1456 percent of the remainder or \$3.25 million in each fiscal year shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the Grants and Donations Trust Fund in the Department of Economic Opportunity to fund technical assistance to local governments.

Moneys distributed pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (b) may not be pledged for debt service unless such pledge is approved by referendum of the voters.

(c) An amount equaling 4.5 percent of the remainder in

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each fiscal year shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the State Housing Trust Fund. The funds shall be used as follows:

- 1. Half of that amount shall be used for the purposes for which the State Housing Trust Fund was created and exists by law.
- 2. Half of that amount shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the Local Government Housing Trust Fund and used for the purposes for which the Local Government Housing Trust Fund was created and exists by law.
- (d) An amount equaling 5.20254 percent of the remainder in each fiscal year shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the State Housing Trust Fund. Of such funds:
- 1. Twelve and one-half percent of that amount shall be deposited into the State Housing Trust Fund and expended by the Department of Economic Opportunity and the Florida Housing Finance Corporation for the purposes for which the State Housing Trust Fund was created and exists by law.
- 2. Eighty-seven and one-half percent of that amount shall be distributed to the Local Government Housing Trust Fund and used for the purposes for which the Local Government Housing Trust Fund was created and exists by law. Funds from this category may also be used to provide for state and local services to assist the homeless.
 - (e) The lesser of 0.017 percent of the remainder or

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\$300,000 in each fiscal year shall be paid into the State
Treasury to the credit of the General Inspection Trust Fund to
be used to fund oyster management and restoration programs as
provided in s. 379.362(3).

- (f) A total of \$75 million shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the State Economic Enhancement and Development Trust Fund within the Department of Economic Opportunity.
- (g) An amount equaling 5.4175 percent of the remainder shall be paid into the Resilient Florida Trust Fund to be used for the purposes for which the Resilient Florida Trust Fund was created and exists by law. Funds may be used for planning and project grants.
- (h) An amount equaling 5.4175 percent of the remainder shall be paid into the Water Protection and Sustainability Program Trust Fund to be used to fund wastewater grants as specified in s. 403.0673.
- (5) Notwithstanding s. 215.32(2)(b)4.a., funds distributed to the State Housing Trust Fund and expended pursuant to s. 420.50871 and funds distributed to the State Housing Trust Fund and the Local Government Housing Trust Fund pursuant to paragraphs (4)(c) and (d) paragraph (4)(e) may not be transferred to the General Revenue Fund in the General Appropriations Act.
 - (6) After the distributions provided in the preceding

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subsections, any remaining taxes shall be paid into the State Treasury to the credit of the General Revenue Fund.

Section 11. The amendments made by this act to s. 201.15, Florida Statutes, expire on July 1, 2033, and the text of that section shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2023, except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by this act must be preserved and continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of the text which expire pursuant to this section.

Section 12. Paragraph (p) of subsection (5) of section 212.08, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (v) is added to that subsection, to read:

212.08 Sales, rental, use, consumption, distribution, and storage tax; specified exemptions.—The sale at retail, the rental, the use, the consumption, the distribution, and the storage to be used or consumed in this state of the following are hereby specifically exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter.

- (5) EXEMPTIONS; ACCOUNT OF USE. -
- (p) Community contribution tax credit for donations.-
- 1. Authorization.—Persons who are registered with the department under s. 212.18 to collect or remit sales or use tax and who make donations to eligible sponsors are eligible for tax credits against their state sales and use tax liabilities as provided in this paragraph:

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a. The credit shall be computed as 50 percent of the person's approved annual community contribution.

- b. The credit shall be granted as a refund against state sales and use taxes reported on returns and remitted in the 12 months preceding the date of application to the department for the credit as required in sub-subparagraph 3.c. If the annual credit is not fully used through such refund because of insufficient tax payments during the applicable 12-month period, the unused amount may be included in an application for a refund made pursuant to sub-subparagraph 3.c. in subsequent years against the total tax payments made for such year. Carryover credits may be applied for a 3-year period without regard to any time limitation that would otherwise apply under s. 215.26.
- c. A person may not receive more than \$200,000 in annual tax credits for all approved community contributions made in any one year.
- d. All proposals for the granting of the tax credit require the prior approval of the Department of Economic Opportunity.
- e. The total amount of tax credits which may be granted for all programs approved under this paragraph and ss. 220.183 and 624.5105 is \$25 \$14.5 million in the 2023-2024 2022-2023 fiscal year and in each fiscal year thereafter for projects that provide housing opportunities for persons with special needs or homeownership opportunities for low-income households or very-

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low-income households and \$4.5 million in the 2022-2023 fiscal

1177	year and in each fiscal year thereafter for all other projects.
1178	As used in this paragraph, the term "person with special needs"
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1180	person," "low-income household," "very-low-income person," and
1181	"very-low-income household" have the same meanings as in s.
1182	420.9071.
1183	f. A person who is eligible to receive the credit provided
1184	in this paragraph, s. 220.183, or s. 624.5105 may receive the
1185	credit only under one section of the person's choice.
1186	2. Eligibility requirements.—
1187	a. A community contribution by a person must be in the
1188	following form:
1189	(I) Cash or other liquid assets;
1190	(II) Real property, including 100 percent ownership of a

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For purposes of this sub-subparagraph, the term "real property holding company" means a Florida entity, such as a Florida limited liability company, that is wholly owned by the person; is the sole owner of real property, as defined in s.

192.001(12), located in this the state; is disregarded as an

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real property holding company;

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(IV)

(III) Goods or inventory; or

entity for federal income tax purposes pursuant to 26 C.F.R. s. 301.7701-3(b)(1)(ii); and at the time of contribution to an eligible sponsor, has no material assets other than the real property and any other property that qualifies as a community contribution.

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b. All community contributions must be reserved exclusively for use in a project. As used in this subsubparagraph, the term "project" means activity undertaken by an eligible sponsor which is designed to construct, improve, or substantially rehabilitate housing that is affordable to lowincome households or very-low-income households; designed to provide housing opportunities for persons with special needs; designed to provide commercial, industrial, or public resources and facilities; or designed to improve entrepreneurial and jobdevelopment opportunities for low-income persons. A project may be the investment necessary to increase access to high-speed broadband capability in a rural community that had an enterprise zone designated pursuant to chapter 290 as of May 1, 2015, including projects that result in improvements to communications assets that are owned by a business. A project may include the provision of museum educational programs and materials that are directly related to a project approved between January 1, 1996, and December 31, 1999, and located in an area which was in an enterprise zone designated pursuant to s. 290.0065 as of May 1, 2015. This paragraph does not preclude projects that propose to

construct or rehabilitate housing for low-income households or very-low-income households on scattered sites or housing opportunities for persons with special needs. With respect to housing, contributions may be used to pay the following eligible special needs, low-income, and very-low-income housing-related activities:

- (I) Project development impact and management fees for special needs, low-income, or very-low-income housing projects;
- (II) Down payment and closing costs for persons with special needs, low-income persons, and very-low-income persons;
- (III) Administrative costs, including housing counseling and marketing fees, not to exceed 10 percent of the community contribution, directly related to special needs, low-income, or very-low-income projects; and
- (IV) Removal of liens recorded against residential property by municipal, county, or special district local governments if satisfaction of the lien is a necessary precedent to the transfer of the property to a low-income person or very-low-income person for the purpose of promoting home ownership. Contributions for lien removal must be received from a nonrelated third party.
- c. The project must be undertaken by an "eligible sponsor," which includes:
 - (I) A community action program;
 - (II) A nonprofit community-based development organization

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1251	whose mission is the provision of housing for persons with
1252	special needs, low-income households, or very-low-income
1253	households or increasing entrepreneurial and job-development
1254	opportunities for low-income persons;
1255	(III) A neighborhood housing services corporation;
1256	(IV) A local housing authority created under chapter 421;
1257	(V) A community redevelopment agency created under s.
1258	163.356;
1259	(VI) A historic preservation district agency or
1260	organization;
1261	(VII) A local workforce development board;
1262	(VIII) A direct-support organization as provided in s.
1263	1009.983;
1264	(IX) An enterprise zone development agency created under
1265	s. 290.0056;
1266	(X) A community-based organization incorporated under
1267	chapter 617 which is recognized as educational, charitable, or
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1269	and whose bylaws and articles of incorporation include
1270	affordable housing, economic development, or community
1271	development as the primary mission of the corporation;
1272	(XI) Units of local government;
1273	(XII) Units of state government; or
1274	(XIII) Any other agency that the Department of Economic
1275	Opportunity designates by rule.

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A contributing person may not have a financial interest in the eligible sponsor.

- d. The project must be located in an area which was in an enterprise zone designated pursuant to chapter 290 as of May 1, 2015, or a Front Porch Florida Community, unless the project increases access to high-speed broadband capability in a rural community that had an enterprise zone designated pursuant to chapter 290 as of May 1, 2015, but is physically located outside the designated rural zone boundaries. Any project designed to construct or rehabilitate housing for low-income households or very-low-income households or housing opportunities for persons with special needs is exempt from the area requirement of this sub-subparagraph.
- e.(I) If, during the first 10 business days of the state fiscal year, eligible tax credit applications for projects that provide housing opportunities for persons with special needs or homeownership opportunities for low-income households or verylow-income households are received for less than the annual tax credits available for those projects, the Department of Economic Opportunity shall grant tax credits for those applications and grant remaining tax credits on a first-come, first-served basis for subsequent eligible applications received before the end of the state fiscal year. If, during the first 10 business days of the state fiscal year, eligible tax credit applications for

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projects that provide housing opportunities for persons with special needs or homeownership opportunities for low-income households or very-low-income households are received for more than the annual tax credits available for those projects, the Department of Economic Opportunity shall grant the tax credits for those applications as follows:

- (A) If tax credit applications submitted for approved projects of an eligible sponsor do not exceed \$200,000 in total, the credits shall be granted in full if the tax credit applications are approved.
- (B) If tax credit applications submitted for approved projects of an eligible sponsor exceed \$200,000 in total, the amount of tax credits granted pursuant to sub-sub-sub-subparagraph (A) shall be subtracted from the amount of available tax credits, and the remaining credits shall be granted to each approved tax credit application on a pro rata basis.
- (II) If, during the first 10 business days of the state fiscal year, eligible tax credit applications for projects other than those that provide housing opportunities for persons with special needs or homeownership opportunities for low-income households or very-low-income households are received for less than the annual tax credits available for those projects, the Department of Economic Opportunity shall grant tax credits for those applications and shall grant remaining tax credits on a

first-come, first-served basis for subsequent eligible applications received before the end of the state fiscal year. If, during the first 10 business days of the state fiscal year, eligible tax credit applications for projects other than those that provide housing opportunities for persons with special needs or homeownership opportunities for low-income households or very-low-income households are received for more than the annual tax credits available for those projects, the Department of Economic Opportunity shall grant the tax credits for those applications on a pro rata basis.

3. Application requirements.-

- a. An eligible sponsor seeking to participate in this program must submit a proposal to the Department of Economic Opportunity which sets forth the name of the sponsor, a description of the project, and the area in which the project is located, together with such supporting information as is prescribed by rule. The proposal must also contain a resolution from the local governmental unit in which the project is located certifying that the project is consistent with local plans and regulations.
- b. A person seeking to participate in this program must submit an application for tax credit to the Department of Economic Opportunity which sets forth the name of the sponsor; a description of the project; and the type, value, and purpose of the contribution. The sponsor shall verify, in writing, the

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terms of the application and indicate its receipt of the contribution, and such verification must accompany the application for tax credit. The person must submit a separate tax credit application to the Department of Economic Opportunity for each individual contribution that it makes to each individual project.

- c. A person who has received notification from the Department of Economic Opportunity that a tax credit has been approved must apply to the department to receive the refund. Application must be made on the form prescribed for claiming refunds of sales and use taxes and be accompanied by a copy of the notification. A person may submit only one application for refund to the department within a 12-month period.
 - 4. Administration.

- a. The Department of Economic Opportunity may adopt rules necessary to administer this paragraph, including rules for the approval or disapproval of proposals by a person.
- b. The decision of the Department of Economic Opportunity must be in writing, and, if approved, the notification shall state the maximum credit allowable to the person. Upon approval, the Department of Economic Opportunity shall transmit a copy of the decision to the department.
- c. The Department of Economic Opportunity shall periodically monitor all projects in a manner consistent with available resources to ensure that resources are used in

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accordance with this paragraph; however, each project must be reviewed at least once every 2 years.

- d. The Department of Economic Opportunity shall, in consultation with the statewide and regional housing and financial intermediaries, market the availability of the community contribution tax credit program to community-based organizations.
- (v) Building materials used in construction of affordable housing units.—
 - 1. As used in this paragraph, the term:

- a. "Affordable housing development" means property that has units subject to an agreement with the Florida Housing

 Finance Corporation pursuant to chapter 420 recorded in the official records of the county in which the property is located to provide affordable housing to natural persons or families meeting the extremely-low-income, very-low-income, or low-income limits specified in s. 420.0004.
- b. "Building materials" means tangible personal property that becomes a component part of eligible residential units in an affordable housing development. The term includes appliances and does not include plants, landscaping, fencing, and hardscaping.
- c. "Eligible residential units" means newly constructed units within an affordable housing development which are restricted under the land use restriction agreement.

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d. "Newly constructed" means improvements to real property
which did not previously exist or the construction of a new
improvement where an old improvement was removed. The term does
not include the renovation, restoration, rehabilitation,
modification, alteration, or expansion of buildings already
located on the parcel on which the eligible residential unit is
built.

- e. "Real property" has the same meaning as provided in s.
 192.001(12).
- f. "Substantially completed" has the same meaning as in s. 192.042(1).
- 2. Building materials used in eligible residential units are exempt from the tax imposed by this chapter if an owner demonstrates to the satisfaction of the department that the requirements of this paragraph have been met. Except as provided in subparagraph 3., this exemption inures to the owner at the time an eligible residential unit is substantially completed, but only through a refund of previously paid taxes. To receive a refund pursuant to this paragraph, the owner of the eligible residential units must file an application with the department. The application must include all of the following:
 - a. The name and address of the person claiming the refund.
- b. An address and assessment roll parcel number of the real property that was improved for which a refund of previously paid taxes is being sought.

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c. A description of the eligible residential units for which a refund of previously paid taxes is being sought, including the number of such units.

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- d. A copy of a valid building permit issued by the county or municipal building department for the eligible residential units.
- e. A sworn statement, under penalty of perjury, from the general contractor licensed in this state with whom the owner contracted to build the eligible residential units which specifies the building materials, the actual cost of the building materials, and the amount of sales tax paid in this state on the building materials, and which states that the improvement to the real property was newly constructed. If a general contractor was not used, the owner must make the sworn statement required by this sub-subparagraph. Copies of the invoices evidencing the actual cost of the building materials and the amount of sales tax paid on such building materials must be attached to the sworn statement provided by the general contractor or by the owner. If copies of such invoices are not attached, the cost of the building materials is deemed to be an amount equal to 40 percent of the increase in the final assessed value of the eligible residential units for ad valorem tax purposes less the most recent assessed value of land for the units.
 - f. A certification by the local building code inspector

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that the eligible residential unit is substantially completed.

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- g. A copy of the land use restriction agreement with the Florida Housing Finance Corporation for the eligible residential units.
- The exemption under this paragraph inures to a municipality, county, other governmental unit or agency, or nonprofit community-based organization through a refund of previously paid taxes if the building materials are paid for from the funds of a community development block grant, the State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program, or a similar grant or loan program. To receive a refund, a municipality, county, other governmental unit or agency, or nonprofit community-based organization must submit an application that includes the same information required under subparagraph 2. In addition, the applicant must include a sworn statement signed by the chief executive officer of the municipality, county, other governmental unit or agency, or nonprofit community-based organization seeking a refund which states that the building materials for which a refund is sought were funded by a community development block grant, the State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program, or a similar grant or loan program.
- 4. The person seeking a refund must submit an application for refund to the department within 6 months after the eligible residential unit is deemed to be substantially completed by the local building code inspector or by November 1 after the

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1476	improved property is first subject to assessment.
1477	5. Only one exemption through a refund of previously paid
1478	taxes may be claimed for any eligible residential unit. A refund
1479	may not be granted unless the amount to be refunded exceeds
1480	\$500. A refund may not exceed the lesser of \$5,000 or 97.5
1481	percent of the Florida sales or use tax paid on the cost of
1482	building materials as determined pursuant to sub-subparagraph
1483	2.e. The department shall issue a refund within 30 days after it
1484	formally approves a refund application.
1485	6. The department may adopt rules governing the manner and
1486	format of refund applications and may establish guidelines as to
1487	the requisites for an affirmative showing of qualification for
1488	exemption under this paragraph.
1489	7. This exemption under this paragraph applies to sales of
1490	building materials that occur on or after July 1, 2023.
1491	Section 13. Subsection (24) is added to section 213.053,
1492	Florida Statutes, to read:
1493	213.053 Confidentiality and information sharing
1494	(24) The department may make available to the Florida
1495	Housing Finance Corporation, exclusively for official purposes,
1496	information for the purpose of administering the Live Local
1497	Program pursuant to s. 420.50872.
1498	Section 14. Section 215.212, Florida Statutes, is created
1499	to read:
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1501	(1) Notwithstanding s. 215.20(1), the service charge
1502	provided in s. 215.20(1) may not be deducted from the proceeds
1503	of the taxes distributed under s. 201.15.
1504	(2) This section is repealed July 1, 2033.
1505	Section 15. Paragraph (i) of subsection (1) of section
1506	215.22, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
1507	215.22 Certain income and certain trust funds exempt
1508	(1) The following income of a revenue nature or the
1509	following trust funds shall be exempt from the appropriation
1510	required by s. 215.20(1):
1511	(i) Bond proceeds or revenues dedicated for bond
1512	repayment, except for the Documentary Stamp Clearing Trust Fund
1513	administered by the Department of Revenue.
1514	Section 16. The amendment made by this act to s. 215.22,
1515	Florida Statutes, expires on July 1, 2033, and the text of that
1516	section shall revert to that in existence on June 30, 2023,
1517	except that any amendments to such text enacted other than by
1518	this act must be preserved and continue to operate to the extent
1519	that such amendments are not dependent upon the portions of the
1520	text which expire pursuant to this section.
1521	Section 17. Subsection (8) of section 220.02, Florida
1522	Statutes, is amended to read:
1523	220.02 Legislative intent
1524	(8) It is the intent of the Legislature that credits
1525	against either the corporate income tax or the franchise tax be

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      applied in the following order: those enumerated in s. 631.828,
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      those enumerated in s. 220.183, those enumerated in s. 220.182,
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      those enumerated in s. 220.1895, those enumerated in s. 220.195,
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      those enumerated in s. 220.184, those enumerated in s. 220.186,
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      those enumerated in s. 220.1845, those enumerated in s. 220.19,
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      those enumerated in s. 220.185, those enumerated in s. 220.1875,
      those enumerated in s. 220.1876, those enumerated in s.
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      220.1877, those enumerated in s. 220.1878, those enumerated in
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      s. 220.193, those enumerated in s. 288.9916, those enumerated in
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      s. 220.1899, those enumerated in s. 220.194, those enumerated in
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      s. 220.196, those enumerated in s. 220.198, and those enumerated
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      in s. 220.1915.
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           Section 18. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
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      220.13, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
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            220.13 "Adjusted federal income" defined.-
                 The term "adjusted federal income" means an amount
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      equal to the taxpayer's taxable income as defined in subsection
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      provided in s. 220.131, for the taxable year, adjusted as
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accrued as a liability to the District of Columbia or any state of the United States which is deductible from gross income in the computation of taxable income for the taxable year.

- b. Notwithstanding sub-subparagraph a., if a credit taken under s. 220.1875, s. 220.1876, ex s. 220.1877, or s. 220.1878 is added to taxable income in a previous taxable year under subparagraph 11. and is taken as a deduction for federal tax purposes in the current taxable year, the amount of the deduction allowed shall not be added to taxable income in the current year. The exception in this sub-subparagraph is intended to ensure that the credit under s. 220.1875, s. 220.1876, ex s. 220.1877, or s. 220.1878 is added in the applicable taxable year and does not result in a duplicate addition in a subsequent year.
- 2. The amount of interest which is excluded from taxable income under s. 103(a) of the Internal Revenue Code or any other federal law, less the associated expenses disallowed in the computation of taxable income under s. 265 of the Internal Revenue Code or any other law, excluding 60 percent of any amounts included in alternative minimum taxable income, as defined in s. 55(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, if the taxpayer pays tax under s. 220.11(3).
- 3. In the case of a regulated investment company or real estate investment trust, an amount equal to the excess of the net long-term capital gain for the taxable year over the amount

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1576 of the capital gain dividends attributable to the taxable year.

- 4. That portion of the wages or salaries paid or incurred for the taxable year which is equal to the amount of the credit allowable for the taxable year under s. 220.181. This subparagraph shall expire on the date specified in s. 290.016 for the expiration of the Florida Enterprise Zone Act.
- 5. That portion of the ad valorem school taxes paid or incurred for the taxable year which is equal to the amount of the credit allowable for the taxable year under s. 220.182. This subparagraph shall expire on the date specified in s. 290.016 for the expiration of the Florida Enterprise Zone Act.
- 6. The amount taken as a credit under s. 220.195 which is deductible from gross income in the computation of taxable income for the taxable year.
- 7. That portion of assessments to fund a guaranty association incurred for the taxable year which is equal to the amount of the credit allowable for the taxable year.
- 8. In the case of a nonprofit corporation which holds a pari-mutuel permit and which is exempt from federal income tax as a farmers' cooperative, an amount equal to the excess of the gross income attributable to the pari-mutuel operations over the attributable expenses for the taxable year.
- 9. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year under s. 220.1895.
 - 10. Up to nine percent of the eligible basis of any

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designated project which is equal to the credit allowable for the taxable year under s. 220.185.

- 11. Any amount taken as a credit for the taxable year under s. 220.1875, s. 220.1876, er s. 220.1877, or s. 220.1878. The addition in this subparagraph is intended to ensure that the same amount is not allowed for the tax purposes of this state as both a deduction from income and a credit against the tax. This addition is not intended to result in adding the same expense back to income more than once.
- 12. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year under s. 220.193.
- 13. Any portion of a qualified investment, as defined in s. 288.9913, which is claimed as a deduction by the taxpayer and taken as a credit against income tax pursuant to s. 288.9916.
- 14. The costs to acquire a tax credit pursuant to s. 288.1254(5) that are deducted from or otherwise reduce federal taxable income for the taxable year.
- 15. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year pursuant to s. 220.194.
- 16. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year under s. 220.196. The addition in this subparagraph is intended to ensure that the same amount is not allowed for the tax purposes of this state as both a deduction from income and a credit against the tax. The addition is not intended to result in adding the same expense back to income more than once.

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1626	17. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year
1627	pursuant to s. 220.198.
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1629	pursuant to s. 220.1915.
1630	Section 19. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section
1631	220.183, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
1632	220.183 Community contribution tax credit
1633	(1) AUTHORIZATION TO GRANT COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION TAX
1634	CREDITS; LIMITATIONS ON INDIVIDUAL CREDITS AND PROGRAM
1635	SPENDING
1636	(c) The total amount of tax credit which may be granted
1637	for all programs approved under this section and ss.
1638	212.08(5)(p) and 624.5105 is $\frac{$25}{$14.5}$ million in the $\underline{2023-2024}$
1639	2022-2023 fiscal year and in each fiscal year thereafter for
1640	projects that provide housing opportunities for persons with
1641	special needs as defined in s. 420.0004 and homeownership
1642	opportunities for low-income households or very-low-income
1643	households as defined in s. 420.9071 and \$4.5 million in the
1644	2022-2023 fiscal year and in each fiscal year thereafter for all
1645	other projects.
1646	Section 20. Subsection (2) of section 220.186, Florida
1647	Statutes, is amended to read:
1648	220.186 Credit for Florida alternative minimum tax.—
1649	(2) The credit pursuant to this section shall be the

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amount of the excess, if any, of the tax paid based upon taxable

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1651 income determined pursuant to s. 220.13(2)(k) over the amount of 1652 tax which would have been due based upon taxable income without 1653 application of s. 220.13(2)(k), before application of this 1654 credit without application of any credit under s. 220.1875, s. 220.1876, or s. 220.1877, or s. 220.1878. 1655 1656 Section 21. Section 220.1878, Florida Statutes, is created 1657 to read: 220.1878 Credit for contributions to the Live Local 1658 1659 Program.-1660 (1) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2023, there is allowed a credit of 100 percent of an eligible 1661 contribution made to the Live Local Program under s. 420.50872 1662 1663 against any tax due for a taxable year under this chapter after 1664 the application of any other allowable credits by the taxpayer. An eliqible contribution must be made to the Live Local Program 1665 1666 on or before the date the taxpayer is required to file a return 1667 pursuant to s. 220.222. The credit granted by this section must 1668 be reduced by the difference between the amount of federal 1669 corporate income tax, taking into account the credit granted by 1670 this section, and the amount of federal corporate income tax 1671 without application of the credit granted by this section. 1672 (2) A taxpayer who files a Florida consolidated return as

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a member of an affiliated group pursuant to s. 220.131(1) may be

allowed the credit on a consolidated return basis; however, the

total credit taken by the affiliated group is subject to the

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1676	<u>limitation established under subsection (1).</u>
1677	(3) Section 420.50872 applies to the credit authorized by
1678	this section.
1679	(4) If a taxpayer applies and is approved for a credit
1680	under s. 420.50872 after timely requesting an extension to file
1681	under s. 220.222(2):
1682	(a) The credit does not reduce the amount of tax due for
1683	purposes of the department's determination as to whether the
1684	taxpayer was in compliance with the requirement to pay tentative
1685	taxes under ss. 220.222 and 220.32.
1686	(b) The taxpayer's noncompliance with the requirement to
1687	pay tentative taxes shall result in the revocation and
1688	rescindment of any such credit.
1689	(c) The taxpayer shall be assessed for any taxes,
1690	penalties, or interest due from the taxpayer's noncompliance
1691	with the requirement to pay tentative taxes.
1692	Section 22. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section
1693	220.222, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
1694	220.222 Returns; time and place for filing
1695	(2)
1696	(c) $\underline{1.}$ For purposes of this subsection, a taxpayer is not
1697	in compliance with s. 220.32 if the taxpayer underpays the
1698	required payment by more than the greater of \$2,000 or 30
1699	percent of the tax shown on the return when filed.
1700	2. For the purpose of determining compliance with s.

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220.32 as referenced in subparagraph 1., the tax shown on the
return when filed must include the amount of the allowable
credits taken on the return pursuant to s. 220.1878.

Section 23. Subsection (5) of section 253.034, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

253.034 State-owned lands; uses.-

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Each manager of conservation lands shall submit to the Division of State Lands a land management plan at least every 10 years in a form and manner adopted by rule of the board of trustees and in accordance with s. 259.032. Each manager of conservation lands shall also update a land management plan whenever the manager proposes to add new facilities or make substantive land use or management changes that were not addressed in the approved plan, or within 1 year after the addition of significant new lands. Each manager of nonconservation lands shall submit to the Division of State Lands a land use plan at least every 10 years in a form and manner adopted by rule of the board of trustees. The division shall review each plan for compliance with the requirements of this subsection and the requirements of the rules adopted by the board of trustees pursuant to this section. All nonconservation land use plans, whether for single-use or multiple-use properties, shall be managed to provide the greatest benefit to the state. Plans for managed areas larger than 1,000 acres shall contain an analysis of the multiple-use potential of the

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property which includes the potential of the property to generate revenues to enhance the management of the property. In addition, the plan shall contain an analysis of the potential use of private land managers to facilitate the restoration or management of these lands and whether nonconservation lands would be more appropriately transferred to the county or municipality in which the land is located for the purpose of providing affordable multifamily rental housing that meets the criteria of s. 420.0004(3). If a newly acquired property has a valid conservation plan that was developed by a soil and conservation district, such plan shall be used to guide management of the property until a formal land use plan is completed.

(a) State conservation lands shall be managed to ensure the conservation of this the state's plant and animal species and to ensure the accessibility of state lands for the benefit and enjoyment of all people of this the state, both present and future. Each land management plan for state conservation lands shall provide a desired outcome, describe both short-term and long-term management goals, and include measurable objectives to achieve those goals. Short-term goals shall be achievable within a 2-year planning period, and long-term goals shall be achievable within a 10-year planning period. These short-term and long-term management goals shall be the basis for all subsequent land management activities.

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(b)	Sho	ort-te	cm and	long-te:	rm manageme	nt goals	for	sta	ate
conservat	ion	lands	shall	include	measurable	objectiv	ves :	for	the
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- 1. Habitat restoration and improvement.
- 2. Public access and recreational opportunities.
- 3. Hydrological preservation and restoration.
- 4. Sustainable forest management.

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- 5. Exotic and invasive species maintenance and control.
 - 6. Capital facilities and infrastructure.
- 7. Cultural and historical resources.
- 8. Imperiled species habitat maintenance, enhancement, restoration, or population restoration.
- (c) The land management plan shall, at a minimum, contain the following elements:
 - 1. A physical description of the land.
- 2. A quantitative data description of the land which includes an inventory of forest and other natural resources; exotic and invasive plants; hydrological features; infrastructure, including recreational facilities; and other significant land, cultural, or historical features. The inventory shall reflect the number of acres for each resource and feature, when appropriate. The inventory shall be of such detail that objective measures and benchmarks can be established for each tract of land and monitored during the lifetime of the plan. All quantitative data collected shall be aggregated,

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standardized, collected, and presented in an electronic format to allow for uniform management reporting and analysis. The information collected by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to s. 253.0325(2) shall be available to the land manager and his or her assignee.

- 3. A detailed description of each short-term and long-term land management goal, the associated measurable objectives, and the related activities that are to be performed to meet the land management objectives. Each land management objective must be addressed by the land management plan, and if practicable, a land management objective may not be performed to the detriment of the other land management objectives.
- 4. A schedule of land management activities which contains short-term and long-term land management goals and the related measurable objective and activities. The schedule shall include for each activity a timeline for completion, quantitative measures, and detailed expense and manpower budgets. The schedule shall provide a management tool that facilitates development of performance measures.
- 5. A summary budget for the scheduled land management activities of the land management plan. For state lands containing or anticipated to contain imperiled species habitat, the summary budget shall include any fees anticipated from public or private entities for projects to offset adverse impacts to imperiled species or such habitat, which fees shall

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be used solely to restore, manage, enhance, repopulate, or acquire imperiled species habitat. The summary budget shall be prepared in such manner that it facilitates computing an aggregate of land management costs for all state-managed lands using the categories described in s. 259.037(3).

- (d) Upon completion, the land management plan must be transmitted to the Acquisition and Restoration Council for review. The council shall have 90 days after receipt of the plan to review the plan and submit its recommendations to the board of trustees. During the review period, the land management plan may be revised if agreed to by the primary land manager and the council taking into consideration public input. The land management plan becomes effective upon approval by the board of trustees.
- (e) Land management plans are to be updated every 10 years on a rotating basis. Each updated land management plan must identify any conservation lands under the plan, in part or in whole, that are no longer needed for conservation purposes and could be disposed of in fee simple or with the state retaining a permanent conservation easement.
- (f) In developing land management plans, at least one public hearing shall be held in any one affected county.
- (g) The Division of State Lands shall make available to the public an electronic copy of each land management plan for parcels that exceed 160 acres in size. The division shall review

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each plan for compliance with the requirements of this subsection, the requirements of chapter 259, and the requirements of the rules adopted by the board of trustees pursuant to this section. The Acquisition and Restoration Council shall also consider the propriety of the recommendations of the managing entity with regard to the future use of the property, the protection of fragile or nonrenewable resources, the potential for alternative or multiple uses not recognized by the managing entity, and the possibility of disposal of the property by the board of trustees. After its review, the council shall submit the plan, along with its recommendations and comments, to the board of trustees. The council shall specifically recommend to the board of trustees whether to approve the plan as submitted, approve the plan with modifications, or reject the plan. If the council fails to make a recommendation for a land management plan, the Secretary of Environmental Protection, Commissioner of Agriculture, or executive director of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission or their designees shall submit the land management plan to the board of trustees.

(h) The board of trustees shall consider the land management plan submitted by each entity and the recommendations of the Acquisition and Restoration Council and the Division of State Lands and shall approve the plan with or without modification or reject such plan. The use or possession of any

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such lands that is not in accordance with an approved land management plan is subject to termination by the board of trustees.

- (i)1. State nonconservation lands shall be managed to provide the greatest benefit to the state. State nonconservation lands may be grouped by similar land use types under one land use plan. Each land use plan shall, at a minimum, contain the following elements:
- a. A physical description of the land to include any significant natural or cultural resources as well as management strategies developed by the land manager to protect such resources.
 - b. A desired development outcome.

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- c. A schedule for achieving the desired development outcome.
- d. A description of both short-term and long-term development goals.
- e. A management and control plan for invasive nonnative plants.
- f. A management and control plan for soil erosion and soil and water contamination.
- g. Measureable objectives to achieve the goals identified in the land use plan.
- 2. Short-term goals shall be achievable within a 5-year planning period and long-term goals shall be achievable within a

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1876 10-year planning period.

- 3. The use or possession of any such lands that is not in accordance with an approved land use plan is subject to termination by the board of trustees.
- 4. Land use plans submitted by a manager shall include reference to appropriate statutory authority for such use or uses and shall conform to the appropriate policies and guidelines of the state land management plan.

Section 24. Subsection (1) of section 253.0341, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

253.0341 Surplus of state-owned lands.-

(1) The board of trustees shall determine which lands, the title to which is vested in the board, may be surplused. For all conservation lands, the Acquisition and Restoration Council shall make a recommendation to the board of trustees, and the board of trustees shall determine whether the lands are no longer needed for conservation purposes. If the board of trustees determines the lands are no longer needed for conservation purposes, it may dispose of such lands by an affirmative vote of at least three members. In the case of a land exchange involving the disposition of conservation lands, the board of trustees must determine by an affirmative vote of at least three members that the exchange will result in a net positive conservation benefit. For all nonconservation lands, the board of trustees shall determine whether the lands are no

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longer needed. If the board of trustees determines the lands are no longer needed, it may dispose of such lands by an affirmative vote of at least three members. Local government requests for the state to surplus conservation or nonconservation lands, whether for purchase, or exchange, or any other means of transfer, must shall be expedited throughout the surplusing process. Property jointly acquired by the state and other entities may not be surplused without the consent of all joint owners.

Section 25. Subsection (2) of section 288.101, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

288.101 Florida Job Growth Grant Fund.—

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- (2) The department and Enterprise Florida, Inc., may identify projects, solicit proposals, and make funding recommendations to the Governor, who is authorized to approve:
- (a) State or local public infrastructure projects to promote:
- $\underline{1.}$ Economic recovery in specific regions of $\underline{\text{this}}$ the state;
 - 2. Economic diversification; or
 - 3. Economic enhancement in a targeted industry.
- (b) State or local public infrastructure projects to facilitate the development or construction of affordable housing. This paragraph is repealed July 1, 2033.
 - (c) Infrastructure funding to accelerate the

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rehabilitation of the Herbert Hoover Dike. The department or the South Florida Water Management District may enter into agreements, as necessary, with the United States Army Corps of Engineers to implement this paragraph.

(d)(e) Workforce training grants to support programs at state colleges and state technical centers that provide participants with transferable, sustainable workforce skills applicable to more than a single employer, and for equipment associated with these programs. The department shall work with CareerSource Florida, Inc., to ensure programs are offered to the public based on criteria established by the state college or state technical center and do not exclude applicants who are unemployed or underemployed.

Section 26. Section 420.0003, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

(Substantial rewording of section. See

- s. 420.0003, F.S., for present text.)
- 1943 420.0003 State housing strategy.—

(1) LEGISLATIVE INTENT.—It is the intent of this act to articulate a state housing strategy that will carry the state toward the goal of ensuring that each Floridian has safe, decent, and affordable housing. This strategy must involve state and local governments working in partnership with communities and the private sector and must involve financial, as well as regulatory, commitment to accomplish this goal.

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1951	(2)	POLICIES

- (a) Housing production and rehabilitation programs.—

 Programs to encourage housing production or rehabilitation must
 be guided by the following general policies, as appropriate for
 the purpose of the specific program:
- 1. State and local governments shall provide incentives to encourage the private sector to be the primary delivery vehicle for the development of affordable housing. When possible, state funds should be heavily leveraged to achieve the maximum federal, local, and private commitment of funds and be used to ensure long-term affordability. To the maximum extent possible, state funds should be expended to create new housing stock and be used for repayable loans rather than grants. Local incentives to stimulate private sector development of affordable housing may include establishment of density bonus incentives.
- 2. State and local governments should consider and implement innovative solutions to housing issues where appropriate. Innovative solutions include, but are not limited to:
- a. Utilizing publicly held land to develop affordable housing through state or local land purchases, long-term land leasing, and school district affordable housing programs. To the maximum extent possible, state-owned lands that are appropriate for the development of affordable housing must be made available for that purpose.

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- c. Project features that maximize efficiency in land and resource use, such as high density, high rise, and mixed use.
- d. Mixed-income projects that facilitate more diverse and successful communities.
- e. Modern housing concepts such as manufactured homes, tiny homes, 3D-printed homes, and accessory dwelling units.
- 3. State funds should be available only to local governments that provide incentives or financial assistance for housing. State funding for housing should not be made available to local governments whose comprehensive plans have been found not in compliance with chapter 163 and who have not entered into a stipulated settlement agreement with the department to bring the plans into compliance. State funds should be made available only for projects consistent with the local government's comprehensive plan.
- 4. Local governments are encouraged to enter into interlocal agreements, as appropriate, to coordinate strategies and maximize the use of state and local funds.
- 5. State-funded development should emphasize use of developed land, urban infill, and the transformation of existing

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infrastructure in order to minimize sprawl, separation of housing from employment, and effects of increased housing on ecological preservation areas. Housing available to the state's workforce should prioritize proximity to employment and services.

- (b) Public-private partnerships.—Cost-effective publicprivate partnerships must emphasize production and preservation of affordable housing.
- 1. Data must be developed and maintained on the affordable housing activities of local governments, community-based organizations, and private developers.
- 2. The state shall assist local governments and community-based organizations by providing training and technical assistance.
- 3. In coordination with local activities and with federal initiatives, the state shall provide incentives for public sector and private sector development of affordable housing.
- (c) Preservation of housing stock.—The existing stock of affordable housing must be preserved and improved through rehabilitation programs and expanded neighborhood revitalization efforts to promote suitable living environments for individuals and families.
- (d) Unique housing needs.—The wide range of need for safe, decent, and affordable housing must be addressed, with an emphasis on assisting the neediest persons.

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- 2. The housing requirements of special needs populations must be addressed through programs that promote a range of housing options bolstering integration with the community.
- 3. All housing initiatives and programs must be nondiscriminatory.

- 4. The geographic distribution of resources must provide for the development of housing in rural and urban areas.
- 5. The important contribution of public housing to the well-being of citizens in need shall be acknowledged through efforts to continue and bolster existing programs. State and local government funds allocated to enhance public housing must be used to supplement, not supplant, federal support.
- (3) IMPLEMENTATION.—The state, in carrying out the strategy articulated in this section, shall have the following duties:
- (a) State fiscal resources must be directed to achieve the following programmatic objectives:
- 1. Effective technical assistance and capacity-building programs must be established at the state and local levels.
- 2. The Shimberg Center for Housing Studies at the
 University of Florida shall develop and maintain statewide data
 on housing needs and production, provide technical assistance

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relating to real estate development and finance, operate an information clearinghouse on housing programs, and coordinate state housing initiatives with local government and federal programs.

- 3. The corporation shall maintain a consumer-focused website for connecting tenants with affordable housing.
- (b) The long-range program plan of the department must include specific goals, objectives, and strategies that implement the housing policies in this section.
- (c) The Shimberg Center for Housing Studies at the University of Florida, in consultation with the department and the corporation, shall perform functions related to the research and planning for affordable housing. Functions must include quantifying affordable housing needs, documenting results of programs administered, and inventorying the supply of affordable housing units made available in this state. The recommendations required in this section and a report of any programmatic modifications made as a result of these policies must be included in the housing report required by s. 420.6075. The report must identify the needs of specific populations, including, but not limited to, elderly persons, persons with disabilities, and persons with special needs, and may recommend statutory modifications when appropriate.
- (d) The Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government

 Accountability (OPPAGA) shall evaluate affordable housing issues

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pursuant to the schedule set forth in this paragraph. OPPAGA may coordinate with and rely upon the expertise and research activities of the Shimberg Center for Housing Studies in conducting the evaluations. The analysis may include relevant reports prepared by the Shimberg Center for Housing Studies, the department, the corporation, and the provider of the Affordable Housing Catalyst Program; interviews with the agencies, providers, offices, developers, and other organizations related to the development and provision of affordable housing at the state and local levels; and any other relevant data. When appropriate, each report must recommend policy and statutory modifications for consideration by the Legislature. Each report must be submitted to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives pursuant to the schedule. OPPAGA shall review and evaluate:

- 1. By December 15, 2023, and every 5 years thereafter, innovative affordable housing strategies implemented by other states, their effectiveness, and their potential for implementation in this state.
- 2. By December 15, 2024, and every 5 years thereafter, affordable housing policies enacted by local governments, their effectiveness, and which policies constitute best practices for replication across this state. The report must include a review and evaluation of the extent to which interlocal cooperation is used, effective, or hampered.

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3. By December 15, 2025, and every 5 years thereafter,
existing state-level housing rehabilitation, production,
preservation, and finance programs to determine their
consistency with relevant policies in this section and
effectiveness in providing affordable housing. The report must
also include an evaluation of the degree of coordination between
housing programs of this state, and between state, federal, and
local housing activities, and shall recommend improved program
linkages when appropriate.
(e) The department and the corporation should conform the
administrative rules for each housing program to the policies

- department and the corporation should conform the administrative rules for each housing program to the policies stated in this section, provided that such changes in the rules are consistent with the statutory intent or requirements for the program. This authority applies only to programs offering loans, grants, or tax credits and only to the extent that state policies are consistent with applicable federal requirements.
- Section 27. Subsection (36) of section 420.503, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 420.503 Definitions.—As used in this part, the term:
- (36) "Qualified contract" has the same meaning as in 26 U.S.C. s. 42(h)(6)(F) in effect on the date of the preliminary determination certificate for the low-income housing tax credits for the development that is the subject of the qualified contract request, unless the Internal Revenue Code requires a different statute or regulation to apply to the development. The

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corporation shall deem a bona fide contract to be a qualified contract at the time the <u>bona fide contract is presented to the owner and the initial second earnest money</u> deposit is deposited in escrow in accordance with the terms of the bona fide contract, and, in such event, the corporation is deemed to have fulfilled its responsibility to present the owner with a qualified contract.

Section 28. Subsection (3) and paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section 420.504, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

420.504 Public corporation; creation, membership, terms, expenses.—

- subject to control, supervision, or direction by the department of Economic Opportunity in any manner, including, but not limited to, personnel, purchasing, transactions involving real or personal property, and budgetary matters. The corporation shall consist of a board of directors composed of the Secretary of Economic Opportunity as an ex officio and voting member, or a senior-level agency employee designated by the secretary, one member appointed by the President of the Senate, one member appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and eight members appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation by the Senate from the following:
- (a) One citizen actively engaged in the residential home building industry.

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- (c) One citizen who is a representative of those areas of labor engaged in home building.
- (d) One citizen with experience in housing development who is an advocate for low-income persons.
- (e) One citizen actively engaged in the commercial building industry.
- (f) One citizen who is a former local government elected official.
- (g) Two citizens of the state who are not principally employed as members or representatives of any of the groups specified in paragraphs (a)-(f).
- (4)(a) Members of the corporation shall be appointed for terms of 4 years, except that any vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term. Vacancies on the board shall be filled by appointment by the Governor, the President of the Senate, or the Speaker of the House of Representatives, respectively, depending on who appointed the member whose vacancy is to be filled or whose term has expired.
- Section 29. Subsection (30) of section 420.507, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 420.507 Powers of the corporation.—The corporation shall have all the powers necessary or convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of this part, including

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the following powers which are in addition to all other powers granted by other provisions of this part:

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To prepare and submit to the Secretary of Economic Opportunity a budget request for purposes of the corporation, which request must shall, notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 216 and in accordance with s. 216.351, contain a request for operational expenditures and separate requests for other authorized corporation programs. The request must include, for informational purposes, the amount of state funds necessary to use all federal housing funds anticipated to be received by, or allocated to, the state in the fiscal year in order to maximize the production of new, affordable multifamily housing units in this state. The request need not contain information on the number of employees, salaries, or any classification thereof, and the approved operating budget therefor need not comply with s. 216.181(8)-(10). The secretary may include within the department's budget request the corporation's budget request in the form as authorized by this section.

Section 30. The amendment made by this act to s.

420.507(30), Florida Statutes, expires July 1, 2033, and the
text of that subsection shall revert to that in existence on
June 30, 2023, except that any amendments to such text enacted
other than by this act shall be preserved and continue to
operate to the extent that such amendments are not dependent
upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to this section.

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Section 31. Subsection (10) of section 420.5087, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

420.5087 State Apartment Incentive Loan Program.—There is hereby created the State Apartment Incentive Loan Program for the purpose of providing first, second, or other subordinated mortgage loans or loan guarantees to sponsors, including forprofit, nonprofit, and public entities, to provide housing affordable to very-low-income persons.

(10) The corporation may prioritize a portion of the program funds set aside under paragraph (3)(d) for persons with special needs as defined in s. 420.0004(13) to provide funding for the development of newly constructed permanent rental housing on a campus that provides housing for persons in foster care or persons aging out of foster care pursuant to s. 409.1451. Such housing shall promote and facilitate access to community-based supportive, educational, and employment services and resources that assist persons aging out of foster care to successfully transition to independent living and adulthood. The corporation must consult with the Department of Children and Families to create minimum criteria for such housing.

Section 32. Section 420.50871, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

420.50871 Allocation of increased revenues derived from amendments to s. 201.15 made by this act.—Funds that result from increased revenues to the State Housing Trust Fund derived from

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amendments made to s. 201.15 made by this act must be used

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annually for projects under the State Apartment Incentive Loan Program under s. 420.5087 as set forth in this section, notwithstanding ss. 420.507(48) and (50) and 420.5087(1) and (3). The Legislature intends for these funds to provide for innovative projects that provide affordable and attainable housing for persons and families working, going to school, or living in this state. Projects approved under this section are intended to provide housing that is affordable as defined in s. 420.0004, notwithstanding the income limitations in s. 420.5087(2). Beginning in the 2023-2024 fiscal year and annually for 10 years thereafter: (1) The corporation shall allocate 70 percent of the funds provided by this section to issue competitive requests for application for the affordable housing project purposes specified in this subsection. The corporation shall finance projects that: (a) Both redevelop an existing affordable housing development and provide for the construction of a new development within close proximity to the existing development to be rehabilitated. Each project must provide for building the new affordable housing development first, relocating the tenants

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affordable housing development with more overall and affordable

of the existing development to the new development, and then

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2251	units.
2252	(b) Address urban infill, including conversions of vacant,
2253	dilapidated, or functionally obsolete buildings or the use of
2254	underused commercial property.
2255	(c) Provide for mixed use of the location, incorporating
2256	nonresidential uses, such as retail, office, institutional, or
2257	other appropriate commercial or nonresidential uses.
2258	(d) Provide housing near military installations in this
2259	state, with preference given to projects that incorporate
2260	critical services for servicemembers, their families, and
2261	veterans, such as mental health treatment services, employment
2262	services, and assistance with transition from active-duty
2263	service to civilian life.
2264	(2) From the remaining funds, the corporation shall
2265	allocate the funds to issue competitive requests for application
2266	for any of the following affordable housing purposes specified
2267	in this subsection. The corporation shall finance projects that:
2268	(a) Propose using or leasing public lands. Projects that
2269	propose to use or lease public lands must include a resolution
2270	or other agreement with the unit of government owning the land
2271	to use the land for affordable housing purposes.
2272	(b) Address the needs of young adults who age out of the
2273	foster care system.
2274	(c) Meet the needs of elderly persons.

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2276	opportunity, designated pursuant to s. 288.0656.
2277	(3) Under any request for application under this section,
2278	the corporation shall coordinate with the appropriate state
2279	department or agency and prioritize projects that provide for
2280	<pre>mixed-income developments.</pre>
2281	(4) This section does not prohibit the corporation from
2282	allocating additional funds to the purposes described in this
2283	section. In any fiscal year, if the funds allocated by the
2284	corporation to any request for application under subsections (1)
2285	and (2) are not fully used after the application and award
2286	processes are complete, the corporation may use those funds to
2287	supplement any future request for application under this
2288	section.
2289	(5) This section is repealed June 30, 2033.
2290	Section 33. The Division of Law Revision is directed to
2291	replace the phrase "this act" wherever it occurs in s.
2292	420.50871, Florida Statutes, as created by this act, with the
2293	assigned chapter number of this act.
2294	Section 34. Section 420.50872, Florida Statutes, is
2295	created to read:
2296	420.50872 Live Local Program.—
2297	(1) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:
2298	(a) "Annual tax credit amount" means, for any state fiscal
2299	year, the sum of the amount of tax credits approved under
2300	paragraph (3)(a), including tax credits to be taken under s.

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220.1878 or s. 624.51058, which are approved for taxpayers whose taxable years begin on or after January 1 of the calendar year preceding the start of the applicable state fiscal year.

- (b) "Eligible contribution" means a monetary contribution from a taxpayer, subject to the restrictions provided in this section, to the corporation for use in the State Apartment

 Incentive Loan Program under s. 420.5087. The taxpayer making the contribution may not designate a specific project, property, or geographic area of this state as the beneficiary of the eligible contribution.
- (c) "Live Local Program" means the program described in this section whereby eligible contributions are made to the corporation.
- (d) "Tax credit cap amount" means the maximum annual tax credit amount that the Department of Revenue may approve for a state fiscal year.
- (2) RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CORPORATION.—The corporation shall:
- (a) Expend 100 percent of eligible contributions received under this section for the State Apartment Incentive Loan

 Program under s. 420.5087. However, the corporation may use up to \$25 million of eligible contributions to provide loans for the construction of large-scale projects of significant regional impact. Such projects must include a substantial civic, educational, or health care use and may include a commercial

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2326	use, any of which must be incorporated within or contiguous to
2327	the project property. Such a loan must be made, except as
2328	otherwise provided in this subsection, in accordance with the
2329	practices and policies of the State Apartment Incentive Loan
2330	Program. Such a loan is subject to the competitive application
2331	process and may not exceed 25 percent of the total project cost.
2332	The corporation must find that the loan provides a unique
2333	opportunity for investment alongside local government
2334	participation that would enable creation of a significant amount
2335	of affordable housing. Projects approved under this section are
2336	intended to provide housing that is affordable as defined in s.
2337	420.0004, notwithstanding the income limitations in s.
2338	<u>420.5087(2).</u>
2339	(b) Upon receipt of an eligible contribution, provide the
2340	taxpayer that made the contribution with a certificate of
2341	contribution. A certificate of contribution must include the
2342	taxpayer's name; its federal employer identification number, if
2343	available; the amount contributed; and the date of contribution.
2344	(c) Within 10 days after issuing a certificate of
2345	contribution, provide a copy to the Department of Revenue.
2346	(3) LIVE LOCAL TAX CREDITS; APPLICATIONS, TRANSFERS, AND
2347	<u>LIMITATIONS.—</u>
2348	(a) Beginning in the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the tax credit
2349	cap amount is \$100 million in each state fiscal year.
2350	(b) Beginning October 1 2023 a taxpayer may submit an

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application to the Department of Revenue for an allocation of the tax credit cap for tax credits to be taken under either or both of s. 220.1878 or s. 624.51058.

- 1. The taxpayer shall specify in the application each tax for which the taxpayer requests a credit and the applicable taxable year. For purposes of s. 220.1878, a taxpayer may apply for a credit to be used for a prior taxable year before the date the taxpayer is required to file a return for that year pursuant to s. 220.222. For purposes of s. 624.51058, a taxpayer may apply for a credit to be used for a prior taxable year before the date the taxpayer is required to file a return for that prior taxable year pursuant to ss. 624.509 and 624.5092. The Department of Revenue shall approve tax credits on a first-come, first-served basis.
- 2. Within 10 days after approving or denying an application, the Department of Revenue shall provide a copy of its approval or denial letter to the corporation.
- (c) If a tax credit approved under paragraph (b) is not fully used for the specified taxable year for credits under s.

 220.1878 or s. 624.51058 because of insufficient tax liability on the part of the taxpayer, the unused amount may be carried forward for a period not to exceed 10 taxable years. For purposes of s. 220.1878, a credit carried forward may be used in a subsequent year after applying the other credits and unused carryovers in the order provided in s. 220.02(8).

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2376	(d) A taxpayer may not convey, transfer, or assign an
2377	approved tax credit or a carryforward tax credit to another
2378	entity unless all of the assets of the taxpayer are conveyed,
2379	assigned, or transferred in the same transaction. However, a tax
2380	credit under s. 220.1878 or s. 624.51058 may be conveyed,
2381	transferred, or assigned between members of an affiliated group
2382	of corporations if the type of tax credit under s. 220.1878 or
2383	s. 624.51058 remains the same. A taxpayer shall notify the
2384	Department of Revenue of its intent to convey, transfer, or
2385	assign a tax credit to another member within an affiliated group
2386	of corporations. The amount conveyed, transferred, or assigned
2387	is available to another member of the affiliated group of
2388	corporations upon approval by the Department of Revenue.
2389	(e) Within any state fiscal year, a taxpayer may rescind
2390	all or part of a tax credit allocation approved under paragraph
2391	(b). The amount rescinded must become available for that state
2392	fiscal year to another eligible taxpayer as approved by the
2393	Department of Revenue if the taxpayer receives notice from the
2394	Department of Revenue that the rescindment has been accepted by
2395	the Department of Revenue. Any amount rescinded under this
2396	paragraph must become available to an eligible taxpayer on a
2397	first-come, first-served basis based on tax credit applications
2398	received after the date the rescindment is accepted by the
2399	Department of Revenue.
2400	(f) Within 10 days after approving or denying the

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conveyance, transfer, or assignment of a tax credit under

paragraph (d), or the rescindment of a tax credit under

paragraph (e), the Department of Revenue shall provide a copy of

its approval or denial letter to the corporation.

- (g) For purposes of calculating the underpayment of estimated corporate income taxes under s. 220.34 and tax installment payments for taxes on insurance premiums or assessments under s. 624.5092, the final amount due is the amount after credits earned under s. 220.1878 or s. 624.51058 for contributions to eligible charitable organizations are deducted.
- 1. For purposes of determining if a penalty or interest under s. 220.34(2)(d)1. will be imposed for underpayment of estimated corporate income tax, a taxpayer may, after earning a credit under s. 220.1878, reduce any estimated payment in that taxable year by the amount of the credit.
- 2. For purposes of determining if a penalty under s. 624.5092 will be imposed, an insurer, after earning a credit under s. 624.51058 for a taxable year, may reduce any installment payment for such taxable year of 27 percent of the amount of the net tax due as reported on the return for the preceding year under s. 624.5092(2)(b) by the amount of the credit.
- (4) PRESERVATION OF CREDIT.—If any provision or portion of this section, s. 220.1878, or s. 624.51058 or the application

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thereof to any person or circumstance is held unconstitutional by any court or is otherwise declared invalid, the unconstitutionality or invalidity does not affect any credit earned under s. 220.1878 or s. 624.51058 by any taxpayer with respect to any contribution paid to the Live Local Program before the date of a determination of unconstitutionality or invalidity. The credit must be allowed at such time and in such a manner as if a determination of unconstitutionality or invalidity had not been made, provided that nothing in this subsection by itself or in combination with any other provision of law may result in the allowance of any credit to any taxpayer in excess of \$1 of credit for each dollar paid to an eligible charitable organization. (5) ADMINISTRATION; RULES.— The Department of Revenue and the corporation may develop a cooperative agreement to assist in the administration of this section, as needed. The Department of Revenue may adopt rules necessary to

- (b) The Department of Revenue may adopt rules necessary to administer this section, s. 220.1878, and s. 624.51058, including rules establishing application forms, procedures governing the approval of tax credits and carryforward tax credits under subsection (3), and procedures to be followed by taxpayers when claiming approved tax credits on their returns.
- (c) By August 15, 2023, and by each August 15 thereafter, the Department of Revenue shall determine the 500 taxpayers with

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the greatest total corporate income or franchise tax due as

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2452 reported on the taxpayer's return filed pursuant to s. 220.22 2453 during the previous calendar year and notify those taxpayers of 2454 the existence of the Live Local Program and the process for 2455 obtaining an allocation of the tax credit cap. The Department of 2456 Revenue shall confer with the corporation in the drafting of the 2457 notification. The Department of Revenue may provide this notification by electronic means. 2458 2459 Section 35. Section 420.5096, Florida Statutes, is created 2460 to read: 2461 420.5096 Florida Hometown Hero Program. -(1) The Legislature finds that individual homeownership is 2462 2463 vital to building long-term housing and financial security. With 2464 rising home prices, down payment and closing costs are often 2465 significant barriers to homeownership for working Floridians. 2466 Each person in Florida's hometown workforce is essential to 2467 creating thriving communities, and the Legislature finds that 2468 the ability of Floridians to reside within the communities in 2469 which they work is of great importance. Therefore, the 2470 Legislature finds that providing assistance to homebuyers in 2471 this state by reducing the amount of down payment and closing 2472 costs is a necessary step toward expanding access to 2473 homeownership and achieving safe, decent, and affordable housing 2474 for all Floridians. 2475 (2) The Florida Hometown Hero Program is created to assist

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2476 Florida's hometown workforce in attaining homeownership by 2477 providing financial assistance to residents to purchase a home 2478 as their primary residence. Under the program, a borrower may 2479 apply to the corporation for a loan to reduce the amount of the 2480 down payment and closing costs paid by the borrower by a minimum 2481 of \$10,000 and up to 5 percent of the first mortgage loan, not 2482 exceeding \$35,000. Loans must be made available at a zero 2483 percent interest rate and must be made available for the term of 2484 the first mortgage. The balance of any loan is due at closing if 2485 the property is sold, refinanced, rented, or transferred, unless 2486 otherwise approved by the corporation. 2487 (3) For loans made available pursuant to s. 2488 420.507(23)(a)1. or 2., the corporation may underwrite and make 2489 those mortgage loans through the program to persons or families 2490 who have household incomes that do not exceed 150 percent of the 2491 state median income or local median income, whichever is 2492 greater. A borrower must be seeking to purchase a home as a 2493 primary residence; a first-time homebuyer and a Florida 2494 resident; and employed full-time by a Florida-based employer. 2495 The borrower must provide documentation of full-time employment, 2496 or full-time status for self-employed individuals, of 35 hours 2497 or more per week. The requirement to be a first-time homebuyer

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does not apply to a borrower who is an active duty servicemember

of a branch of the armed forces or the Florida National Guard,

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as defined in s. 250.01, or a veteran.

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2501	(4) Loans made under the Florida Hometown Hero Program may
2502	be used for the purchase of manufactured homes, as defined in s.
2503	320.01(2)(b), which were constructed after July 13, 1994, and
2504	which are titled and financed as tangible personal property or
2505	as real property.
2506	(5) This program is intended to be evergreen, and
2507	repayments for loans made under this program shall be retained
2508	within the program to make additional loans.
2509	Section 36. Subsection (3) is added to section 420.531,
2510	Florida Statutes, to read:
2511	420.531 Affordable Housing Catalyst Program.—
2512	(3) The corporation may contract with the entity providing
2513	statewide training and technical assistance to provide technical
2514	assistance to local governments to establish selection criteria
2515	and related provisions for requests for proposals or other
2516	competitive solicitations for use or lease of government-owned
2517	real property for affordable housing purposes. The entity
2518	providing statewide training and technical assistance may
2519	develop best practices or other key elements for successful use
2520	of public property for affordable housing, in conjunction with
2521	technical support provided under subsection (1).
2522	Section 37. Section 420.6075, Florida Statutes, is amended
2523	to read:
2524	420.6075 Research and planning for affordable housing;
2525	annual housing report.—

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(1) The research and planning functions of the department
shall include the collection of data on the need for affordable
housing in this state and the extent to which that need is being
met through federal, state, and local programs, in order to
facilitate planning to meet the housing needs in this state and
to enable the development of sound strategies and programs for
affordable housing. To fulfill this function, the Shimberg
Center for $\underline{\text{Housing Studies}}$ $\underline{\text{Affordable Housing}}$ at the University
of Florida shall perform the following functions:

- (a) Quantify affordable housing needs in this the state by analyzing available data, including information provided through the housing elements of local comprehensive plans, and identify revisions in the housing element data requirements that would result in more uniform, meaningful information being obtained.
- (b) Document the results since 1980 of all programs administered by the department which provide for or act as incentives for housing production or improvement. Data on program results must include the number of units produced and the unit cost under each program.
- (c) Inventory the supply of affordable housing units made available through federal, state, and local programs. Data on the geographic distribution of affordable units must show the availability of units in each county and municipality.
- (2) By December 31 of each year, the Shimberg Center for Housing Studies Affordable Housing shall submit to the

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Legislature an updated housing report describing the supply of and need for affordable housing. This annual housing report shall include:

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- (a) A synopsis of training and technical assistance activities and community-based organization housing activities for the year.
- (b) A status report on the degree of progress toward meeting the housing objectives of the department's agency functional plan.
- (c) Recommended housing initiatives for the next fiscal year and recommended priorities for assistance to the various target populations within the spectrum of housing need.
- (3) The Shimberg Center for <u>Housing Studies</u> Affordable Housing shall:
- (a) Conduct research on program options to address the need for affordable housing.
- (b) Conduct research on training models to be replicated or adapted to meet the needs of community-based organizations and state and local government staff involved in housing development.
- Section 38. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 553.792, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 553.792 Building permit application to local government.-
- 2574 (1)(a) Within 10 days of an applicant submitting an application to the local government, the local government shall

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advise the applicant what information, if any, is needed to deem the application properly completed in compliance with the filing requirements published by the local government. If the local government does not provide written notice that the applicant has not submitted the properly completed application, the application shall be automatically deemed properly completed and accepted. Within 45 days after receiving a completed application, a local government must notify an applicant if additional information is required for the local government to determine the sufficiency of the application, and shall specify the additional information that is required. The applicant must submit the additional information to the local government or request that the local government act without the additional information. While the applicant responds to the request for additional information, the 120-day period described in this subsection is tolled. Both parties may agree to a reasonable request for an extension of time, particularly in the event of a force majeure or other extraordinary circumstance. The local government must approve, approve with conditions, or deny the application within 120 days following receipt of a completed application. A local government shall maintain on its website a policy containing procedures and expectations for expedited processing of those building permits and development orders required by law to be expedited.

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Section 39. Subsection (7) of section 624.509, Florida

2601 Statutes, is amended to read:

624.509 Premium tax; rate and computation. -

(7) Credits and deductions against the tax imposed by this section shall be taken in the following order: deductions for assessments made pursuant to s. 440.51; credits for taxes paid under ss. 175.101 and 185.08; credits for income taxes paid under chapter 220 and the credit allowed under subsection (5), as these credits are limited by subsection (6); the credit allowed under s. 624.51057; the credit allowed under s. 624.51058; all other available credits and deductions.

Section 40. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 624.5105, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

624.5105 Community contribution tax credit; authorization; limitations; eligibility and application requirements; administration; definitions; expiration.—

- (1) AUTHORIZATION TO GRANT TAX CREDITS; LIMITATIONS. -
- (c) The total amount of tax credit which may be granted for all programs approved under this section and ss. 212.08(5)(p) and 220.183 is \$25 \$14.5 million in the 2023-2024 2022-2023 fiscal year and in each fiscal year thereafter for projects that provide housing opportunities for persons with special needs as defined in s. 420.0004 or homeownership opportunities for low-income or very-low-income households as defined in s. 420.9071 and \$4.5 million in the 2022-2023 fiscal year and in each fiscal year thereafter for all other projects.

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2626 Section 41. Section 624.51058, Florida Statutes, is 2627 created to read: 2628 624.51058 Credit for contributions to the Live Local 2629 Program.-2630 (1) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2631 2023, there is allowed a credit of 100 percent of an eliqible 2632 contribution made to the Live Local Program under s. 420.50872 2633 against any tax due for a taxable year under s. 624.509(1) after 2634 deducting from such tax deductions for assessments made pursuant 2635 to s. 440.51; credits for taxes paid under ss. 175.101 and 2636 185.08; credits for income taxes paid under chapter 220; and the 2637 credit allowed under s. 624.509(5), as such credit is limited by s. 624.509(6). An eligible contribution must be made to the Live 2638 2639 Local Program on or before the date the taxpayer is required to 2640 file a return pursuant to ss. 624.509 and 624.5092. An insurer 2641 claiming a credit against premium tax liability under this 2642 section is not required to pay any additional retaliatory tax levied under s. 624.5091 as a result of claiming such credit. 2643 2644 Section 624.5091 does not limit such credit in any manner. 2645 (2) Section 420.50872 applies to the credit authorized by 2646 this section. 2647 Section 42. The Department of Economic Opportunity's Keys 2648 Workforce Housing Initiative, approved by the Administration 2649 Commission on June 13, 2018, is considered an exception to the evacuation time constraints of s. 380.0552(9)(a)2., Florida 2650

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2651 Statutes, by requiring deed-restricted affordable workforce 2652 housing properties receiving permit allocations to agree to 2653 evacuate at least 48 hours in advance of hurricane landfall. A 2654 comprehensive plan amendment approved by the Department of 2655 Economic Opportunity to implement the initiative is hereby valid 2656 and the respective local governments may adopt local ordinances 2657 or regulations to implement such plan amendment. 2658 Section 43. (1) The Department of Revenue is authorized, 2659 and all conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules 2660 under s. 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, for the purpose of 2661 implementing provisions related to the Live Local Program 2662 created by this act. Notwithstanding any other law, emergency 2663 rules adopted under this section are effective for 6 months 2664 after adoption and may be renewed during the pendency of 2665 procedures to adopt permanent rules addressing the subject of 2666 the emergency rules. 2667 This section expires July 1, 2026. 2668 Section 44. For the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the sum of \$100 2669 million in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is 2670 appropriated to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to 2671 implement the Florida Hometown Hero Housing Program established in s. 420.5096, Florida Statutes, as created by this act. 2672 2673 Section 45. For the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the sum of \$252 2674 million in nonrecurring funds from the Local Government Housing 2675 Trust Fund is appropriated in the Grants and Aids - Housing

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Finance Corporation (HFC) - State Housing Initiatives

Partnership (SHIP) Program appropriation category to the Florida

Housing Finance Corporation.

Section 46. For the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the sum of \$150 million in recurring funds and \$109 million in nonrecurring funds from the State Housing Trust Fund is appropriated in the Grants and Aids - Housing Finance Corporation (HFC) - Affordable Housing Programs appropriation category to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation. The recurring funds are appropriated to implement s. 420.50871, Florida Statutes, as created by this act.

Section 47. For the 2022-2023 fiscal year, the sum of \$100 million in nonrecurring funds from the General Revenue Fund is appropriated to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to implement a competitive assistance loan program for new construction projects in the development pipeline that have not commenced construction and are experiencing verifiable cost increases due to market inflation. These funds are intended to support the corporation's efforts to maintain the viability of projects in the development pipeline as the unprecedented economic factors coupled with the housing crisis makes it of upmost importance to deliver much-needed affordable housing units in communities in a timely manner. Eligible projects are those that accepted an invitation to enter credit underwriting by the corporation for funding during the period of time of July

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2701	1, 2020, through June 30, 2022. The corporation may establish
2702	such criteria and application processes as necessary to
2703	implement this section. The unexpended balance of funds
2704	appropriated to the corporation as of June 30, 2023, shall
2705	revert and is appropriated to the corporation for the same
2706	purpose for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. Any funds not awarded by
2707	December 1, 2023, must be used for the State Apartment Incentive
2708	Loan Program under s. 420.5087, Florida Statutes. This section
2709	is effective upon becoming a law.
2710	Section 48. The Legislature finds and declares that this
2711	act fulfills an important state interest.
2712	Section 49. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
2713	act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon

becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

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