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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Commerce Committee Representative Lopez, V. offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Subsections (6) and (7) of section 125.01055, Florida Statutes, are amended, and new subsections (8), (9), and (10) are added to that section, to read:

125.01055 Affordable housing.-

10 (6) Notwithstanding any other law or local ordinance or 11 regulation to the contrary, the board of county commissioners 12 may approve the development of housing that is affordable, as 13 defined in s. 420.0004, including, but not limited to, a mixed-14 use residential development, on any parcel zoned for commercial 15 or industrial use, <u>or on any parcel</u>, <u>including any contiguous</u> 16 <u>parcel connected thereto</u>, which is owned by a religious 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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17 <u>institution, as defined in s. 170.201(2), which contains a house</u> 18 <u>of public worship, regardless of the underlying zoning</u>, so long 19 as at least 10 percent of the units included in the project are 20 for housing that is affordable. The provisions of this 21 subsection are self-executing and do not require the board of 22 county commissioners to adopt an ordinance or a regulation 23 before using the approval process in this subsection.

24 (7) (a) A county must authorize multifamily and mixed-use 25 residential as allowable uses in any area zoned for commercial, 26 industrial, or mixed use, and in portions of any flexibly zoned 27 area such as a planned unit development permitted for 28 commercial, industrial, or mixed use, if at least 40 percent of 29 the residential units in a proposed multifamily development are 30 rental units that, for a period of at least 30 years, are affordable as defined in s. 420.0004. Notwithstanding any other 31 law, local ordinance, or regulation to the contrary, a county 32 33 may not require a proposed multifamily development to obtain a 34 zoning or land use change, special exception, conditional use 35 approval, variance, transfer of density or development units, or 36 comprehensive plan amendment for the building height, zoning, 37 and densities authorized under this subsection. For mixed-use residential projects, at least 65 percent of the total square 38 footage must be used for residential purposes. A county may not 39 require that more than 10 percent of the total square footage of 40

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# 41 <u>such mixed-use residential projects be used for nonresidential</u> 42 purposes.

43 (b) A county may not restrict the density of a proposed development authorized under this subsection below the highest 44 45 currently allowed density or the highest density allowed on July 1, 2023, on any unincorporated land in the county where 46 47 residential development is allowed under the county's land development regulations. For purposes of this paragraph, the 48 49 term "highest currently allowed density" does not include the density of any building that met the requirements of this 50 subsection or the density of any building that has received any 51 52 bonus, variance, or other special exception for density provided in the county's land development regulations as an incentive for 53 54 development.

55 A county may not restrict the floor area ratio of a (C) 56 proposed development authorized under this subsection below 150 57 percent of the highest currently allowed floor area ratio or the 58 highest floor ratio allowed on July 1, 2023, on any 59 unincorporated land in the county where development is allowed 60 under the county's land development regulations. For purposes of 61 this paragraph, the term "highest currently allowed floor area ratio" does not include the floor area ratio of any building 62 that met the requirements of this subsection or the floor area 63 ratio of any building that has received any bonus, variance, or 64 other special exception for floor area ratio provided in the 65 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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66 county's land development regulations as an incentive for 67 development. For purposes of this subsection, the term "floor 68 area ratio" includes floor lot ratio.

69 (d)1. A county may not restrict the height of a proposed 70 development authorized under this subsection below the highest 71 currently allowed height or the highest height allowed on July 1, 2023, for a commercial or residential building located in its 72 73 jurisdiction within 1 mile of the proposed development or 3 74 stories, whichever is higher. For purposes of this paragraph, 75 the term "highest currently allowed height" does not include the 76 height of any building that met the requirements of this 77 subsection or the height of any building that has received any 78 bonus, variance, or other special exception for height provided 79 in the county's land development regulations as an incentive for 80 development.

If the proposed development is adjacent to, on two or 81 2. 82 more sides, a parcel zoned for single-family residential use which is within a single-family residential development with at 83 84 least 25 contiguous single-family homes, the county may restrict 85 the height of the proposed development to 150 percent of the 86 tallest building on any property adjacent to the proposed development, the highest currently allowed height or the highest 87 height allowed on July 1, 2023, for the property provided in the 88 county's land development regulations, or 3 stories, whichever 89 90 is highest, but not to exceed 10 stories higher. For the 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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91 purposes of this paragraph, the term "adjacent to" means those 92 properties sharing more than one point of a property line, but 93 does not include properties separated by a public road or body 94 of water, including a man-made lake or pond. For a proposed 95 development located within a county within an area of critical state concern, as designated by s. 380.0552 and chapter 28-36, 96 Florida Administrative Code, the term "story" includes only the 97 98 habitable space beginning at the base flood elevation, as 99 designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in the 100 most recent Flood Insurance Rate Map. A story may not exceed 10 101 feet in height measured from finished floor to finished floor, 102 including space for mechanical equipment. The highest story may 103 not exceed 10 feet from finished floor to the top plate.

104 (e) A proposed development authorized under this 105 subsection must be administratively approved without and no 106 further action by the board of county commissioners or any 107 quasi-judicial or administrative board or reviewing body is required if the development satisfies the county's land 108 109 development regulations for multifamily developments in areas 110 zoned for such use and is otherwise consistent with the 111 comprehensive plan, with the exception of provisions 112 establishing allowable densities, floor area ratios, height, and land use. Such land development regulations include, but are not 113 limited to, regulations relating to setbacks and parking 114 requirements. Unless a structure is, as of July 1, 2023, 115 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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116 classified as "contributing" in a local government historic 117 properties database, the removal or demolition of all or part of 118 a structure does not require a public hearing for approval, to 119 the extent such removal or demolition is pursuant to a proposed development authorized under this subsection. Notwithstanding 120 121 the foregoing, the rear portion of a structure abutting or facing an alley may not be deemed "contributing." A proposed 122 123 development located within one-quarter mile of a military installation identified in s. 163.3175(2) may not be 124 125 administratively approved. Each county shall maintain on its 126 website a policy containing procedures and expectations for 127 administrative approval pursuant to this subsection. For the 128 purposes of this paragraph, the term "allowable density" means 129 the density prescribed for the property without additional 130 requirements to procure and transfer density units or 131 development units from other properties. 132 (f)1. A county must, upon request of an applicant, reduce 133 consider reducing parking requirements by 20 percent for a 134 proposed development authorized under this subsection if the 135 development:

<u>a.</u> Is located within one-quarter mile of a transit stop,
as defined in the county's land development code, and the
transit stop is accessible from the development;-

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139 2. A county must reduce parking requirements by at least
 140 20 percent for a proposed development authorized under this
 141 subsection if the development:

<u>b.a.</u> Is located within one-half mile of a major
transportation hub that is accessible from the proposed
development by safe, pedestrian-friendly means, such as
sidewalks, crosswalks, elevated pedestrian or bike paths, or
other multimodal design features; or and

147 <u>c.b.</u> Has available parking within 600 feet of the proposed 148 development which may consist of options such as on-street 149 parking, parking lots, or parking garages available for use by 150 residents of the proposed development. However, a county may not 151 require that the available parking compensate for the reduction 152 in parking requirements.

153 <u>2.3.</u> A county must eliminate parking requirements for a 154 proposed mixed-use residential development authorized under this 155 subsection within an area recognized by the county as a transit-156 oriented development or area, as provided in paragraph (h).

157 <u>3.4.</u> For purposes of this paragraph, the term "major 158 transportation hub" means any transit station, whether bus, 159 train, or light rail, which is served by public transit with a 160 mix of other transportation options.

(g) For proposed multifamily developments in an unincorporated area zoned for commercial or industrial use which is within the boundaries of a multicounty independent special 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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district that was created to provide municipal services and is not authorized to levy ad valorem taxes, and less than 20 percent of the land area within such district is designated for commercial or industrial use, a county must authorize, as provided in this subsection, such development only if the development is mixed-use residential.

170 (h) A proposed development authorized under this subsection which is located within a transit-oriented 171 172 development or area, as recognized by the county, must be mixeduse residential and otherwise comply with requirements of the 173 174 county's regulations applicable to the transit-oriented 175 development or area except for use, height, density, floor area 176 ratio, and parking as provided in this subsection or as 177 otherwise agreed to by the county and the applicant for the 178 development.

(i) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a
development authorized under this subsection must comply with
all applicable state and local laws and regulations.

(j)1. Nothing in this subsection precludes a county from granting a bonus, variance, conditional use, or other special exception for height, density, or floor area ratio in addition to the height, density, and floor area ratio requirements in this subsection.

187 2. Nothing in this subsection precludes a proposed 188 development authorized under this subsection from receiving a 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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bonus for density, height, or floor area ratio pursuant to an 189 190 ordinance or regulation of the jurisdiction where the proposed 191 development is located if the proposed development satisfies the 192 conditions to receive the bonus except for any condition which 193 conflicts with this subsection. If a proposed development 194 qualifies for such bonus, the bonus must be administratively 195 approved by the county and no further action by the board of 196 county commissioners is required.

197 (k) Notwithstanding any other law or local ordinance or 198 regulation to the contrary, a county may allow an adjacent 199 parcel of land to be included within a proposed multifamily 200 development authorized under this subsection.

(1)1.<del>(k)</del> This subsection does not apply to:

a.<del>1.</del> Airport-impacted areas as provided in s. 333.03.

203 <u>b.</u><sup>2.</sup> Property defined as recreational and commercial 204 working waterfront in s. 342.201(2)(b) in any area zoned as 205 industrial.

206 <u>c. The Wekiva Study Area, as described in s. 369.316.</u>
 207 <u>d. The Everglades Protection Area, as defined in s.</u>
 208 373.4592(2).

209 <u>e. The Florida Keys Area of Critical State Concern, as</u> 210 designated by s. 380.0552.

211 <u>f. The City of Key West Area of Critical State Concern, as</u> 212 designated by the Administration Commission under s. 380.05.

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213	2. Sub-subparagraphs 1.cf. are remedial in nature and					
214	apply retroactively to April 1, 2025.					
215	(m) The court shall give priority to a civil action filed					
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218	possible.					
219	(n) If a civil action is filed against a county for a					
220	violation of this subsection, the court must assess and award					
221	reasonable attorney fees and costs to the prevailing party. An					
222	award of reasonable attorney fees or costs pursuant to this					
223	paragraph may not exceed \$500,000. In addition, a prevailing					
224	party may not recover any attorney fees or costs directly					
225	incurred by or associated with litigation to determine an award					
226	of reasonable attorney fees or costs.					
227	(o) As used in this subsection, the term:					
228	1. "Commercial use" means any activity associated with the					
229	sale, rental, or distribution of a product or the performance of					
230	a service related to such product. The term includes, but is not					
231	limited to, such uses or activities as retail sales; wholesale					
232	sales; rental of equipment, goods, or products; offices;					
233	restaurants; public lodging establishments as described in s.					
234	509.242; food service vendors; sports arenas; theaters; tourist					
235	attractions; and other for-profit business activities. A parcel					
236	zoned to allow such use by right, without the requirement to					
237	obtain a variance or waiver, is considered commercial use for					
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238	purposes of this subsection, regardless of the listed category					
239	or title in the local land development regulations. The term					
240	does not include a home-based business or a cottage food					
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242	establishment as described in s. 509.242, or a use that is					
243	accessory, ancillary, or incidental to the allowable use or					
244	allowed only on a temporary basis. In addition, the term does					
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247	a. A contributing structure or building within a historic					
248	district which was listed in the National Register of Historic					
249	Places before January 1, 2000.					
250	b. A structure or building individually listed in the					
251	National Register of Historic Places.					
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253	manufacture, assembly, processing, or storage of a product or					
254	the performance of a service related to such product. The term					
255	includes, but is not limited to, such uses or activities as					
256	automobile manufacturing or repair, boat manufacturing or					
257	repair, junk yards, meat packing facilities, citrus processing					
258	and packing facilities, produce processing and packing					
259	facilities, electrical generating plants, water treatment					
260	plants, sewage treatment plants, and solid waste disposal sites.					
261	A parcel zoned to allow such use by right, without the					
262	requirement to obtain a variance or waiver, is considered					
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2.6.3 industrial use for purposes of this subsection, regardless of 264 the listed category or title in the local land development 265 regulations. The term does not include a use that is accessory, 266 ancillary, or incidental to the allowable use or allowed only on 267 a temporary basis. 268 3. "Mixed use" means any use that combines multiple types of approved land uses from at least two of the residential use, 269 commercial use, or industrial use categories. The term does not 270 271 include uses that are accessory, ancillary, or incidental to the 272 allowable uses or allowed only on a temporary basis. 273 4. "Planned unit development" has the same meaning as in 274 s. 163.3202(5)(b). (p) (1) This subsection expires October 1, 2033. 275 276 (8) (a) A proposed development on a parcel of land 277 primarily developed and maintained as a golf course, a tennis 278 court, or a swimming pool, regardless of the zoning of such parcel, may use the approval process provided in subsection (7). 279 280 (b) If a proposed development is on a parcel that is 281 adjacent to, on two or more sides, a parcel zoned for singlefamily residential use, the county may restrict the height of 282 283 the proposed development to 150 percent of the tallest 284 residential building on any property adjacent to the proposed 285 development, the highest height currently allowed or the highest 286 height allowed on July 1, 2023, for the property provided in the 287 county's land development regulations, or 3 stories, whichever 326779 - h0943-strike.docx Published On: 4/21/2025 5:16:25 PM

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288 is highest. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "adjacent 289 to" means those properties sharing more than one point of a 290 property line, but does not include properties separated by a 291 public road or body of water, including a man-made lake or pond. 292 (9) (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (d), a 293 county may not impose or enforce a building moratorium that has 294 the effect of delaying the permitting or construction of a multifamily residential or mixed-use residential development 295 296 authorized under subsection (7). 297 (b) A county may, by ordinance, impose or enforce a 298 building moratorium that has the effect of delaying the 299 permitting or construction of a multifamily residential or 300 mixed-use residential development for no more than 90 days 301 within a 3-year period if, before the adoption of such 302 ordinance, the county prepares or causes to be prepared an 303 assessment of its need for affordable housing for extremely-lowincome persons, very-low-income persons, low-income persons, and 304 305 moderate-income persons, as defined in s. 420.0004, including 306 projections of future need for the preceding 5 years. This 307 assessment must be posted on the county's website by the date the notice of proposed ordinance adoption is published, and 308 309 presented at the same public meeting at which the proposed ordinance is adopted by the board of county commissioners. This 310 311 assessment must be included in the business impact estimate for

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312	the enactment of a proposed ordinance as required by s					
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314	(c) If a civil action is filed against a county for a					
315	violation of this subsection, the court must assess and award					
316	reasonable attorney fees and costs to the prevailing party. An					
317	award of reasonable attorney fees or costs pursuant to this					
318	paragraph may not exceed \$500,000. In addition, a prevailing					
319	party may not recover any attorney fees or costs directly					
320	incurred by or associated with litigation to determine an award					
321	of reasonable attorney fees or costs.					
322	(d) This subsection does not apply to any moratorium that					
323	is imposed or enforced to address stormwater or flood water					
324	management, to address the supply of potable water, or due to					
325	the necessary repair of sanitary sewer systems, if such					
326	moratorium applies equally to all types of multifamily or mixed-					
327	use residential development.					
328	(10)(a) Beginning June 30, 2026, each county must provide					
329	an annual report to the state land planning agency which must					
330	include:					
331	1. Any litigation related to the violation of this					
332	section, the status of such litigation, and, if applicable, the					
333	final disposition.					
334	2. Any action a county has taken on a proposed development					
335	project under this section, including, at minimum, the project					
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336	size, density, and intensity and the number of units and the					
337	number of affordable units for such project.					
338	3. For a proposed development project that has been					
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340	explanation for why such action was taken.					
341	(b) The state land planning agency shall submit an annual					
342	report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the					
343	Speaker of the House of Representatives regarding county					
344	4 compliance with this section.					
345	Section 2. Subsection (7) of section 163.3202, Florida					
346	Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (8), and a new subsection					
347	(7) is added to that section to read:					
348	163.3202 Land development regulations					
349	(7)(a) It is the intent of the Legislature to increase the					
350	accessibility and public disclosure of the regulatory impact of					
351	local preservation ordinances for purposes of historic					
352	preservation.					
353	(b) The designation by a local government of property or a					
354	district as a historic property or a historic district, and the					
355	adoption of land development regulations for purposes of					
356	historic preservation, shall be made by the adoption of a local					
357	preservation ordinance.					
358	(c) Property that is designated by a local government as					
359	historic property or located in a historic district, or that is					
360	otherwise subject to land development regulations for purposes					
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361 of historic preservation, must be clearly identified on a map 362 that is maintained by the local government. Property that is 363 newly designated as historic property or a district that is 364 newly designated as a historic district, and property that is 365 newly subject to historic preservation regulations, must be 366 included on the map within 30 days after such designation or the 367 application of such regulation. The local government must post the map on its website no later than June 1, 2026, and include 368 369 the contact information for the local government official who is 370 responsible for providing public information about the local 371 government's land development regulations for purposes of 372 historic preservation. 373 (d) This subsection does not apply to a historic site or a 374 historic district that is designated as such solely for the 375 purpose of public recognition and which is not subject to land 376 development regulations by virtue of the designation. 377 Section 3. Subsections (6) and (7) of section 166.04151, 378 Florida Statutes, are amended, and new subsections (8), (9), and 379 (10) are added to that section, to read: 380 166.04151 Affordable housing.-381 (6) Notwithstanding any other law or local ordinance or 382 regulation to the contrary, the governing body of a municipality may approve the development of housing that is affordable, as 383 defined in s. 420.0004, including, but not limited to, a mixed-384 385 use residential development, on any parcel zoned for commercial 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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386 or industrial use, or on any parcel, including any contiguous 387 parcel connected thereto, which is owned by a religious 388 institution, as defined in s. 170.201(2), which contains a house 389 of public worship, regardless of the underlying zoning, so long 390 as at least 10 percent of the units included in the project are 391 for housing that is affordable. The provisions of this 392 subsection are self-executing and do not require the governing 393 body to adopt an ordinance or a regulation before using the 394 approval process in this subsection.

395 (7) (a) A municipality must authorize multifamily and 396 mixed-use residential as allowable uses in any area zoned for 397 commercial, industrial, or mixed use, and in portions of any 398 flexibly zoned area such as a planned unit development permitted 399 for commercial, industrial, or mixed use, if at least 40 percent 400 of the residential units in a proposed multifamily development 401 are rental units that, for a period of at least 30 years, are 402 affordable as defined in s. 420.0004. Notwithstanding any other 403 law, local ordinance, or regulation to the contrary, a 404 municipality may not require a proposed multifamily development 405 to obtain a zoning or land use change, special exception, 406 conditional use approval, variance, transfer of density or 407 development units, or comprehensive plan amendment for the building height, zoning, and densities authorized under this 408 subsection. For mixed-use residential projects, at least 65 409 410 percent of the total square footage must be used for residential 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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# 411 purposes. <u>A municipality may not require that more than 10</u> 412 <u>percent of the total square footage of such mixed-use</u> 413 residential projects be used for nonresidential purposes.

414 A municipality may not restrict the density of a (b) 415 proposed development authorized under this subsection below the highest currently allowed density or the highest density allowed 416 417 on July 1, 2023, on any land in the municipality where 418 residential development is allowed under the municipality's land 419 development regulations. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "highest currently allowed density" does not include the 420 421 density of any building that met the requirements of this 422 subsection or the density of any building that has received any 423 bonus, variance, or other special exception for density provided 424 in the municipality's land development regulations as an 425 incentive for development.

426 A municipality may not restrict the floor area ratio (C) 427 of a proposed development authorized under this subsection below 150 percent of the highest currently allowed floor area ratio or 428 429 the highest floor area ratio allowed on July 1, 2023, on any 430 land in the municipality where development is allowed under the 431 municipality's land development regulations. For purposes of 432 this paragraph, the term "highest currently allowed floor area ratio" does not include the floor area ratio of any building 433 that met the requirements of this subsection or the floor area 434 435 ratio of any building that has received any bonus, variance, or 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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436 other special exception for floor area ratio provided in the 437 municipality's land development regulations as an incentive for 438 development. For purposes of this subsection, the term "floor 439 area ratio" includes floor lot ratio.

440 (d)1. A municipality may not restrict the height of a proposed development authorized under this subsection below the 441 442 highest currently allowed height or the highest height allowed 443 on July 1, 2023, for a commercial or residential building 444 located in its jurisdiction within 1 mile of the proposed 445 development or 3 stories, whichever is higher. For purposes of 446 this paragraph, the term "highest currently allowed height" does 447 not include the height of any building that met the requirements of this subsection or the height of any building that has 448 449 received any bonus, variance, or other special exception for 450 height provided in the municipality's land development 451 regulations as an incentive for development.

452 2. If the proposed development is adjacent to, on two or more sides, a parcel zoned for single-family residential use 453 454 that is within a single-family residential development with at 455 least 25 contiguous single-family homes, the municipality may 456 restrict the height of the proposed development to 150 percent 457 of the tallest building on any property adjacent to the proposed development, the highest currently allowed height or the highest 458 height allowed on July 1, 2023, for the property provided in the 459 460 municipality's land development regulations, or 3 stories,

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461 whichever is highest, but not to exceed 10 stories higher. For 462 the purposes of this paragraph, the term "adjacent to" means 463 those properties sharing more than one point of a property line, 464 but does not include properties separated by a public road or body of water, including a man-made lake or pond. For a proposed 465 466 development located within a municipality within an area of 467 critical state concern, as designated by s. 380.0552 and chapter 28-36, Florida Administrative Code, the term "story" includes 468 469 only the habitable space beginning at the base flood elevation, 470 as designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency in the 471 most recent Flood Insurance Rate Map. A story may not exceed 10 472 feet in height measured from finished floor to finished floor, 473 including space for mechanical equipment. The highest story may 474 not exceed 10 feet from finished floor to the top plate.

475 (e) A proposed development authorized under this 476 subsection must be administratively approved without and no 477 further action by the governing body of the municipality or any 478 quasi-judicial or administrative board or reviewing body is 479 required if the development satisfies the municipality's land 480 development regulations for multifamily developments in areas 481 zoned for such use and is otherwise consistent with the 482 comprehensive plan, with the exception of provisions establishing allowable densities, floor area ratios, height, and 483 484 land use. Such land development regulations include, but are not 485 limited to, regulations relating to setbacks and parking 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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(f)1. A municipality must, upon request of an applicant, reduce consider reducing parking requirements by 20 percent for a proposed development authorized under this subsection if the development:

507 <u>a.</u> Is located within one-quarter mile of a transit stop, 508 as defined in the municipality's land development code, and the 509 transit stop is accessible from the development;-

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510 2. A municipality must reduce parking requirements by at 511 least 20 percent for a proposed development authorized under 512 this subsection if the development:

513 <u>b.a.</u> Is located within one-half mile of a major 514 transportation hub that is accessible from the proposed 515 development by safe, pedestrian-friendly means, such as 516 sidewalks, crosswalks, elevated pedestrian or bike paths, or 517 other multimodal design features<u>; or</u>.

518 <u>c.b.</u> Has available parking within 600 feet of the proposed 519 development which may consist of options such as on-street 520 parking, parking lots, or parking garages available for use by 521 residents of the proposed development. However, a municipality 522 may not require that the available parking compensate for the 523 reduction in parking requirements.

524 <u>2.3.</u> A municipality must eliminate parking requirements 525 for a proposed mixed-use residential development authorized 526 under this subsection within an area recognized by the 527 municipality as a transit-oriented development or area, as 528 provided in paragraph (h).

529 <u>3.4.</u> For purposes of this paragraph, the term "major 530 transportation hub" means any transit station, whether bus, 531 train, or light rail, which is served by public transit with a 532 mix of other transportation options.

(g) A municipality that designates less than 20 percent ofthe land area within its jurisdiction for commercial or

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535 industrial use must authorize a proposed multifamily development 536 as provided in this subsection in areas zoned for commercial or 537 industrial use only if the proposed multifamily development is 538 mixed-use residential.

539 (h) A proposed development authorized under this 540 subsection which is located within a transit-oriented 541 development or area, as recognized by the municipality, must be mixed-use residential and otherwise comply with requirements of 542 543 the municipality's regulations applicable to the transit-544 oriented development or area except for use, height, density, floor area ratio, and parking as provided in this subsection or 545 546 as otherwise agreed to by the municipality and the applicant for 547 the development.

548 (i) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a
549 development authorized under this subsection must comply with
550 all applicable state and local laws and regulations.

(j)1. Nothing in this subsection precludes a municipality from granting a bonus, variance, conditional use, or other special exception to height, density, or floor area ratio in addition to the height, density, and floor area ratio requirements in this subsection.

556 2. Nothing in this subsection precludes a proposed 557 development authorized under this subsection from receiving a 558 bonus for density, height, or floor area ratio pursuant to an 559 ordinance or regulation of the jurisdiction where the proposed 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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development is located if the proposed development satisfies the conditions to receive the bonus except for any condition which conflicts with this subsection. If a proposed development qualifies for such bonus, the bonus must be administratively approved by the municipality and no further action by the governing body of the municipality is required.

(k) <u>Notwithstanding any other law or local ordinance or</u> regulation to the contrary, a municipality may allow an adjacent parcel of land to be included within a proposed multifamily development authorized under this subsection.

(1) This subsection does not apply to:

1. Airport-impacted areas as provided in s. 333.03.

572 2. Property defined as recreational and commercial working 573 waterfront in s. 342.201(2)(b) in any area zoned as industrial.

3. The Wekiva Study Area, as described in s. 369.316.

4. The Everglades Protection Area, as defined in s.

576 373.4592(2).

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577 <u>5. The City of Key West Area of Critical State Concern, as</u>
578 <u>designated by the Administration Commission under s. 380.05.</u>
579 <u>(m) The court shall give priority to a civil action filed</u>
580 <u>against a municipality for a violation of this subsection and</u>
581 render a preliminary or final decision in such action as

582 <u>expeditiously as possible.</u>

583(n) If a civil action is filed against a municipality for584a violation of this subsection, the court must assess and award326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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585	reasonable attorney fees and costs to the prevailing party. An					
586	award of reasonable attorney fees or costs pursuant to this					
587	paragraph may not exceed \$500,000. In addition, a prevailing					
588	party may not recover any attorney fees or costs directly					
589	incurred by or associated with litigation to determine an award					
590	of reasonable attorney fees or costs.					
591	(o) As used in this subsection, the term:					
592	1. "Commercial use" means any activity associated with the					
593	sale, rental, or distribution of a product or the performance of					
594	a service related to such product. The term includes, but is not					
595	limited to, such uses or activities as retail sales; wholesale					
596	sales; rentals of equipment, goods, or products; offices;					
597	restaurants; public lodging establishments as described in s.					
598	509.242; food service vendors; sports arenas; theaters; tourist					
599	attractions; and other for-profit business activities. A parcel					
600	zoned to allow such use by right, without the requirement to					
601	obtain a variance or waiver, is considered commercial use for					
602	purposes of this subsection, regardless of the listed category					
603	or title in the local land development regulations. The term					
604	does not include a home-based business or a cottage food					
605	operation performed on residential property, a public lodging					
606	establishment as described in s. 509.242, or a use that is					
607	accessory, ancillary, or incidental to the allowable use or					
608	allowed only on a temporary basis. In addition, the term does					

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609 not include the following structures, regardless of their uses 610 or zoning classifications: 611 a. A contributing structure or building within a historic 612 district which was listed in the National Register of Historic Places before January 1, 2000. 613 614 b. A structure or building individually listed in the 615 National Register of Historic Places. 2. "Industrial use" means any activity associated with the 616 617 manufacture, assembly, processing, or storage of a product or 618 the performance of a service related to such product. The term 619 includes, but is not limited to, such uses or activities as 620 automobile manufacturing or repair, boat manufacturing or 621 repair, junk yards, meat packing facilities, citrus processing 622 and packing facilities, produce processing and packing 623 facilities, electrical generating plants, water treatment 624 plants, sewage treatment plants, and solid waste disposal sites. 625 A parcel zoned to allow such use by right, without the 626 requirement to obtain a variance or waiver, is considered 627 industrial use for purposes of this subsection, regardless of 628 the listed category or title in the local land development 629 regulations. The term does not include a use that is accessory, 630 ancillary, or incidental to the allowable use or allowed only on 631 a temporary basis. 632 3. "Mixed use" means any use that combines multiple types 633 of approved land uses from at least two of the residential use, 326779 - h0943-strike.docx Published On: 4/21/2025 5:16:25 PM

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634	commercial use, or industrial use categories. The term does not				
635	include uses that are accessory, ancillary, or incidental to the				
636	allowable uses or allowed only on a temporary basis.				
637	4. "Planned unit development" has the same meaning as in				
638	<u>s. 163.3202(5)(b).</u>				
639	(p) (1) This subsection expires October 1, 2033.				
640	(8)(a) A proposed development on a parcel of land				
641	primarily developed and maintained as a golf course, a tennis				
642	court, or a swimming pool, regardless of the zoning of such				
643	parcel, may use the approval process provided in subsection (7).				
644	(b) If a proposed development is on a parcel that is				
645	adjacent to, on two or more sides, a parcel zoned for single-				
646	family residential use, the municipality may restrict the height				
647	of the proposed development to 150 percent of the tallest				
648	residential building on any property adjacent to the proposed				
649	development, the highest height currently allowed or the highest				
650	height allowed on July 1, 2023, for the property provided in the				
651	municipality's land development regulations, or 3 stories,				
652	whichever is highest. For purposes of this paragraph, the term				
653	"adjacent to" means those properties sharing more than one point				
654	of a property line, but does not include properties separated by				
655	a public road or body of water, including a manmade lake or				
656	pond.				
657	(9)(a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (d), a				
658	municipality may not impose or enforce a building moratorium				
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659	that has the effect of delaying the permitting or construction				
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662	(b) A municipality may, by ordinance, impose or enforce a				
663	building moratorium that has the effect of delaying the				
664	permitting or construction of a multifamily residential or				
665	mixed-use residential development for no more than 90 days				
666	within a 3-year period if, before the adoption of such				
667	ordinance, the municipality prepares or causes to be prepared an				
668	assessment of its need for affordable housing for extremely-low-				
669	income persons, very-low-income persons, low-income persons, and				
670	moderate-income persons, as defined in s. 420.0004, including				
671	projections of future need for the preceding 5 years. This				
672	assessment must be posted on the municipality's website by the				
673	date the notice of proposed ordinance adoption is published, and				
674	presented at the same public meeting at which the proposed				
675	ordinance is adopted by the governing body of the municipality.				
676	This assessment must be included in the business impact estimate				
677	for the enactment of a proposed ordinance as required by s.				
678	166.041(4).				
679	(c) If a civil action is filed against a municipality for				
680	a violation of this subsection, the court must assess and award				
681	reasonable attorney fees and costs to the prevailing party. An				
682	award of reasonable attorney fees or costs pursuant to this				
683	paragraph may not exceed \$500,000. In addition, a prevailing				
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684 party may not recover any attorney fees or costs directly 685 incurred by or associated with litigation to determine an award 686 of reasonable attorney fees or costs. 687 This subsection does not apply to any moratorium that (d) is imposed or enforced to address stormwater or flood water 688 689 management, to address the supply of potable water, or due to 690 the necessary repair of sanitary sewer systems, if such moratorium applies equally to all types of multifamily or mixed-691 692 use residential development. 693 (10) (a) Beginning June 30, 2026, each municipality must 694 provide an annual report to the state land planning agency which 695 must include: 696 1. Any litigation related to the violation of this 697 section, the status of such litigation, and, if applicable, the 698 final disposition. 699 2. Any action a municipality has taken on a proposed 700 development project under this section, including, at minimum, 701 the project size, density, and intensity and the number of units 702 and the number of affordable units for such project. 703 3. For a proposed development project that has been 704 denied, any action a municipality has taken on such project and 705 an explanation for why such action was taken. 706 (b) The state land planning agency shall submit an annual 707 report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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708 Speaker of the House of Representatives regarding municipality 709 compliance with this section. 710 Section 4. Effective upon this act becoming a law, an applicant for a proposed development authorized under s. 711 125.01055(7), Florida Statutes, or s. 166.04151(7), Florida 712 713 Statutes, who submits to a county or municipality, as 714 applicable, an application, written request, or notice of intent 715 to use such provisions and which application, written request, 716 or notice of intent is received by the county or municipality, 717 as applicable, before July 1, 2025, may give notice to the 718 county or municipality no later than July 1, 2025, of the intent 719 to proceed under s. 125.01055(7), Florida Statutes, or s. 720 166.04151(7), Florida Statutes, as applicable, as it existed at 721 the time of submittal. A county or municipality, as applicable, 722 shall allow an applicant who submits such application, written 723 request, or notice of intent the opportunity to submit a revised 724 application, written request, or notice of intent to account for 725 the changes made by this act. 726 Section 5. Paragraphs (n) and (o) of subsection (3) of 727 section 196.1978, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as 728 paragraphs (o) and (p), respectively, and a new paragraph (n) is added to that subsection to read: 729 730 196.1978 Affordable housing property exemption.-731 (3) 326779 - h0943-strike.docx Published On: 4/21/2025 5:16:25 PM

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732 Upon the request of a property owner, the property (n) 733 appraiser must issue a letter to verify that a multifamily 734 project, if constructed and leased as described in the site 735 plan, qualifies for the exemption under this section. Within 30 736 days after receipt of such request, the property appraiser must 737 issue a verification letter or explain why the project is ineligible for the exemption. Verification of tenant eligibility 738 739 for affordable housing is not required for determining 740 eligibility for a property owner to qualify for the exemption 741 under this section. A project that has received a verification 742 letter before the adoption of the ordinance described in paragraph (p) is exempt from such ordinance. The verification 743 744 letter is prima facie evidence that the project is eligible for 745 the exemption if the project is constructed and leased as 746 described in the site plan used to receive the verification 747 letter. This letter shall qualify the project, if constructed and leased as described in the site plan, to obtain the 748 749 exemption beginning with the January 1 assessment immediately 750 after the date on which the property obtains a certificate of 751 occupancy and is placed in service allowing the property to be used as an affordable housing property. 752 753 Section 6. Paragraph (a) of subsection (9) of section 754 380.0552, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 755 380.0552 Florida Keys Area; protection and designation as 756 area of critical state concern.-326779 - h0943-strike.docx Published On: 4/21/2025 5:16:25 PM

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757 758 (9) MODIFICATION TO PLANS AND REGULATIONS.-

Any land development regulation or element of a local (a) 759 comprehensive plan in the Florida Keys Area may be enacted, 760 amended, or rescinded by a local government, but the enactment, 761 amendment, or rescission becomes effective only upon approval by 762 the state land planning agency. The state land planning agency 763 shall review the proposed change to determine if it is in 764 compliance with the principles for guiding development specified 765 in chapter 27F-8, Florida Administrative Code, as amended 766 effective August 23, 1984, and must approve or reject the 767 requested changes within 60 days after receipt. Amendments to 768 local comprehensive plans in the Florida Keys Area must also be 769 reviewed for compliance with the following:

770 1. Construction schedules and detailed capital financing 771 plans for wastewater management improvements in the annually 772 adopted capital improvements element, and standards for the 773 construction of wastewater treatment and disposal facilities or 774 collection systems that meet or exceed the criteria in s. 775 403.086(11) for wastewater treatment and disposal facilities or 776 s. 381.0065(4)(1) for onsite sewage treatment and disposal 777 systems.

778 2. Goals, objectives, and policies to protect public 779 safety and welfare in the event of a natural disaster by 780 maintaining a hurricane evacuation clearance time for permanent 781 residents of no more than 24 hours <u>and 30 minutes</u>. The hurricane 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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evacuation clearance time shall be determined by a hurricane evacuation study conducted in accordance with a professionally accepted methodology and approved by the state land planning agency. For purposes of hurricane evacuation clearance time:

786 a. Mobile home residents are not considered permanent787 residents.

b. The City of Key West Area of Critical State Concern
established by chapter 28-36, Florida Administrative Code, shall
be included in the hurricane evacuation study and is subject to
the evacuation requirements of this subsection.

792 3. To ensure the hurricane evacuation clearance time in this subsection is met, Monroe County, the City of Marathon, the 793 794 Village of Islamorada, and the City of Key West shall each continue to maintain permit allocation systems, limiting the 795 796 number of permits issued for new residential dwelling units. The 797 Administration Commission shall distribute 825 permit 798 allocations over a period of at least 10 years, as follows: 799 a. Monroe County shall receive 539 permit allocations with 800 the following limitations: 801 I. All permits must be issued to vacant, buildable 802 parcels. 803 II. Only one permit may be issued to an individual parcel. III. Of the 539 permits issued, 377 permits shall be 804 805 issued only for workforce housing.

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806	b. The City of Marathon shall receive 187 permit					
807	allocations with the following limitations:					
808	I. All permits must be issued to vacant, buildable					
809	parcels.					
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	II. Only one permit may be issued to an individual parcel.					
811	III. Distribution must prioritize allocations for owner-					
812	occupied residences, affordable housing, and workforce housing.					
813	c. The Village of Islamorada shall receive 71 permit					
814	allocations with the following limitations:					
815	I. All permits must be issued to vacant, buildable					
816	parcels.					
817	II. Only one permit may be issued to an individual parcel.					
818	III. Distribution must prioritize allocations for owner-					
819	occupied residences, affordable housing, and workforce housing.					
820	d. The City of Key West shall receive 28 permit					
821	allocations. The housing constructed pursuant to such permits					
822	must be affordable as defined in s. 420.0004.					
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824	For purposes of this subparagraph, the term "workforce housing"					
825	means residential dwelling units restricted for a period of at					
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827	70 percent of their household income from gainful employment in					
828	Monroe County, supplying goods or services to Monroe County					
829	residents or visitors.					
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# 830 Section 7. Paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of section 831 420.50871, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

832 420.50871 Allocation of increased revenues derived from 833 amendments to s. 201.15 made by ch. 2023-17.-Funds that result 834 from increased revenues to the State Housing Trust Fund derived 835 from amendments made to s. 201.15 made by chapter 2023-17, Laws 836 of Florida, must be used annually for projects under the State 837 Apartment Incentive Loan Program under s. 420.5087 as set forth in this section, notwithstanding ss. 420.507(48) and (50) and 838 839 420.5087(1) and (3). The Legislature intends for these funds to 840 provide for innovative projects that provide affordable and 841 attainable housing for persons and families working, going to school, or living in this state. Projects approved under this 842 843 section are intended to provide housing that is affordable as 844 defined in s. 420.0004, notwithstanding the income limitations 845 in s. 420.5087(2). Beginning in the 2023-2024 fiscal year and 846 annually for 10 years thereafter:

847 (1) The corporation shall allocate 70 percent of the funds
848 provided by this section to issue competitive requests for
849 application for the affordable housing project purposes
850 specified in this subsection. The corporation shall finance
851 projects that:

(d) Provide housing near military installations <u>and United</u>
 States Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers or
 <u>outpatient clinics</u> in this state, with preference given to
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855 projects that incorporate critical services for servicemembers, 856 their families, and veterans, such as mental health treatment 857 services, employment services, and assistance with transition 858 from active-duty service to civilian life.

859 Section 8. Section 420.5098, Florida Statutes, is created
860 to read:

861 <u>420.5098 Public sector and health care facility employer-</u>
 862 sponsored affordable workforce housing policy.—

863 (1) (a) The Legislature finds that it is in the best 864 interest of this state and this state's economy to provide 865 affordable workforce housing to residents who are employed by 866 health care facilities and governmental entities to recruit and 867 retain high-quality professionals by incentivizing such 868 employers to sponsor affordable housing opportunities.

(b) The Legislature further finds that pursuant to s.
870 <u>42(g)(9)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code, a qualified low-income</u>
871 <u>housing project does not fail to meet the general public use</u>
872 <u>requirement solely because of occupancy restrictions or</u>
873 <u>preferences that favor tenants who are members of a specified</u>
874 <u>group under a state program or policy that supports housing for</u>
875 <u>such specified group.</u>

876 (c) It is the intent of the Legislature to establish a 877 policy that supports the development of affordable workforce

878 housing for employees of health care facilities and governmental

879 <u>entities</u>.

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880	(2) For purposes of this section, the term:					
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882	agency, or any other entity, however styled, that independently					
883	exercises any type of state or local function. The term includes					
884	<u>a public school, state university, or Florida College System</u>					
885	institution, and a special district as defined in s. 189.012.					
886	(b) "Health care facility" has the same meaning as in s.					
887	<u>159.27(16).</u>					
888	(3) It is the policy of this state to support affordable					
889	workforce housing for employees of health care facilities and					
890	governmental entities. A developer that receives federal low-					
891	income housing tax credits allocated pursuant to s. 420.5099,					
892	local or state funds, or other sources of funding available to					
893	finance the development of affordable housing may give priority					
894	to the development of such housing for employees of health care					
895	facilities and governmental entities. Such priority must conform					
896	to the requirements of s. 42(g)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code.					
897	Section 9. Subsection (8) of section 760.22, Florida					
898	Statutes, is amended to read:					
899	760.22 Definitions.—As used in ss. 760.20-760.37, the					
900	term:					
901	(8) "Person" includes one or more individuals,					
902	corporations, partnerships, associations, labor organizations,					
903	legal representatives, mutual companies, joint-stock companies,					
904	trusts, unincorporated organizations, trustees, trustees in					
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905 bankruptcy, receivers, and fiduciaries, and any other legal or 906 commercial entity; a state agency; and any other governmental 907 entity or agency. 908 Section 10. Section 760.26, Florida Statutes, is amended 909 to read: 910 760.26 Prohibited discrimination in land use decisions and 911 in permitting of development.-It is unlawful to discriminate in 912 land use decisions or in the permitting of development based on 913 race, color, national origin, sex, disability, familial status, 914 religion; , or, except as otherwise provided by law, based on the 915 source of financing of a development or proposed development; or 916 based on a development or proposed development being for housing 917 that is affordable as defined in s. 420.0004. 918 Section 11. It is the intent of the Legislature that the 919 amendments made by this act to s. 760.26, Florida Statutes, are 920 remedial and clarifying in nature and apply retroactively to any 921 cause of action filed on or before the effective date of this 922 act. 923 Section 12. Subsection (4) of section 760.35, Florida 924 Statutes, is amended to read: 925 760.35 Civil actions and relief; administrative 926 procedures.-If the court finds that a person has committed a 927 (4) discriminatory housing practice has occurred, it shall issue an 928 929 order prohibiting the practice and providing affirmative relief 326779 - h0943-strike.docx Published On: 4/21/2025 5:16:25 PM

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930	from the effects of the practice, including injunctive and other					
931	equitable relief, actual and punitive damages, and reasonable					
932	attorney fees and costs. In accordance with s. 13, Art. X of the					
933	State Constitution, the state, for itself and its agencies or					
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935	action based on the application of this section.					
936	Section 13. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this					
937	act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2025.					
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940	TITLE AMENDMENT					
941	Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:					
942	A bill to be entitled					
943	An act relating to real property and land use and					
944	development; amending ss. 125.01055 and 166.04151,					
945	F.S.; authorizing the board of county commissioners					
946	and the governing body of a municipality,					
947	respectively, to approve the development of housing					
948	that is affordable on certain parcels owned by					
949	religious institutions; requiring counties and					
950	municipalities, respectively, to authorize multifamily					
951	and mixed-use residential as allowable uses in					
952	specified areas; prohibiting counties and					
953	municipalities, respectively, from requiring a					
954	proposed multifamily development to obtain a transfer					
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955 of density or development units; prohibiting counties 956 and municipalities, respectively, from requiring a 957 specified percentage of total square footage of mixed-958 residential projects be used for nonresidential 959 purposes; prohibiting counties and municipalities, respectively, from restricting the density of a 960 961 proposed development below the highest density allowed 962 on a specified date; prohibiting counties and 963 municipalities, respectively, from restricting the 964 floor area ratio of a proposed development below a 965 certain percentage of the highest floor area ratio 966 allowed on a specified date; prohibiting counties and 967 municipalities, respectively, from restricting the 968 height of a proposed development below the highest 969 height allowed on a specified date; revising an 970 exception; revising the definition of the term 971 "adjacent to"; providing construction; requiring that 972 a proposed development be administratively approved 973 without further action by the board of county 974 commissioners or governing body of a municipality, 975 respectively, or any quasi-judicial or administrative 976 board or reviewing body; providing that the removal or 977 demolition of all or part of a structure does not 978 require a public hearing for approval in certain 979 circumstances; defining the term "allowable density"; 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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980 requiring counties and municipalities, respectively, 981 to reduce parking requirements by a specified 982 percentage in certain circumstances; authorizing 983 counties and municipalities, respectively, to allow 984 adjacent parcels of land to be included within a 985 proposed multifamily development; revising 986 applicability; requiring courts to give priority to civil actions filed against counties and 987 988 municipalities, respectively, and render certain 989 decisions as expeditiously as possible; requiring 990 courts to assess and award reasonable attorney fees 991 and costs to the prevailing party in such actions; 992 limiting the amount and recovery of such fees and 993 costs; providing definitions; authorizing a certain 994 approval process for proposed developments on parcels 995 of land developed and maintained for specified 996 purposes; authorizing counties and municipalities, 997 respectively, to restrict the height of such proposed 998 developments in certain circumstances; defining the 999 term "adjacent to"; prohibiting counties and 1000 municipalities, respectively, from imposing or 1001 enforcing a building moratorium that delays the permitting or construction of multifamily residential 1002 1003 or mixed-use residential development; providing an 1004 exception; requiring the court to assess and award 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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1005 reasonable attorney fees and costs not to exceed a 1006 specified amount; prohibiting the award of such fees 1007 and costs in certain circumstances; providing 1008 applicability; providing reporting requirements 1009 beginning on a date certain; amending s. 163.3202, F.S.; providing legislative intent; requiring the 1010 1011 local government to designate certain property as historic by the adoption of a local preservation 1012 1013 ordinance; requiring such property to be clearly 1014 identified on a map maintained by the local 1015 government; requiring property that is newly 1016 designated as historic to be included on the map 1017 within a specified time period; requiring the local 1018 government to post the map on its website by a 1019 specified date and include certain additional 1020 information; providing applicability; authorizing 1021 certain applicants to give notice of intent to 1022 counties or municipalities, respectively, by a date 1023 certain to proceed under specified provisions; 1024 requiring such counties and municipalities, 1025 respectively, to allow such applicants the opportunity 1026 to submit revised notices; amending s. 196.1978, F.S.; 1027 requiring property appraisers to issue verification 1028 letters relating to multifamily projects qualifying 1029 for affordable housing property exemption in certain 326779 - h0943-strike.docx

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1030 circumstances; providing that such verification is prima facie evidence that the project is eligible for 1031 1032 exemption; providing a date on which such exemption 1033 begins; amending s. 380.0552, F.S.; revising 1034 provisions relating to the Florida Keys Area of 1035 Critical State Concern; defining the term "workforce housing"; amending s. 420.50871, F.S.; revising the 1036 1037 types of affordable housing projects that the Florida 1038 Housing Corporation is required to finance; creating 1039 s. 420.5098, F.S.; providing legislative findings and 1040 intent; providing definitions; establishing state 1041 policy to support affordable workforce housing for employees of health care facilities and governmental 1042 1043 entities; authorizing certain developers to give 1044 priority to the development of such housing for 1045 employees of health care facilities and governmental 1046 entities; requiring that such priority conform to 1047 certain federal provisions; amending s. 760.22, F.S.; 1048 revising the definition of the term "person"; amending 1049 s. 760.26, F.S.; prohibiting discrimination in land use decisions and in permitting of development based 1050 1051 on a development or proposed development being for 1052 housing that is affordable; providing construction and 1053 retroactive application; amending s. 760.35, F.S.; 1054 waiving sovereign immunity of the state for

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