By Senator Leek

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An act relating to assessment of property used for residential purposes; creating s. 193.6245, F.S.; defining the term "changes or improvements made to improve the property's resistance to wind damage"; prohibiting the consideration of the increase in just value of a property which is attributable to changes or improvements made to improve the property's resistance to wind damage in determinations of the assessed value of certain property; providing applicability; providing an effective date.

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

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Section 1. Section 193.6245, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

193.6245 Assessment of property; changes or improvements for resistance to wind damage.—

- (1) As used in this section, the term "changes or improvements made to improve the property's resistance to wind damage" includes, but is not limited to, all of the following:
 - (a) Improving the strength of the roof deck attachment.
- (b) Creating a secondary water barrier to prevent water intrusion.
 - (c) Installing wind-resistant shingles.
 - (d) Installing gable-end bracing.
 - (e) Reinforcing roof-to-wall connections.
 - (f) Installing storm shutters.
 - (g) Installing opening protections.

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(2) In determining the assessed value of real property used for residential purposes, any increase in just value of a property which is attributable to changes or improvements made to improve the property's resistance to wind damage may not be considered.

- (3) This section applies to changes or improvements made to improve the property's resistance to wind damage made on or after January 1, 2027.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2026.