Committee on Environmental Regulation

Action Packet

Wednesday, March 29, 2006
1:00 – 4:00 PM
212 Knott

Allan G. Bense
Speaker

Mitch Needelman
Chair

Committee Meeting Notice

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Speaker Allan G. Bense

Environmental Regulation Committee

Start Date and Time:	Wednesday, March 29, 2006 01:00 pm
End Date and Time:	Wednesday, March 29, 2006 04:00 pm
Location:	212 Knott Building
Duration:	3.00 hrs

Consideration of the following bill(s):

HB 229 CS Exploration, Production, and Storage of Petroleum and Natural Gas by Clarke
HB 1557 Wekiva Onsite Disposal System Compliance Grant Program by Brummer
HB 1307 Management of Mercury Switches in Vehicles by Sands

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Attendance:

	Present	*Absent*	*Excused*
Mitch Needelman (Chair)	X		
Bob Allen	X		
Don Davis	X		
Will Kendrick	X		
Frank Peterman	X		
David Russell	X		
Franklin Sands	X		
Totals:	**7**	**0**	**0**

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HB 229 CS : Exploration, Production, and Storage of Petroleum and Natural Gas

[X] *Favorable*

	Yea	*Nay*	*No Vote*	*Absentee Yea*	*Absentee Nay*
Bob Allen	X				
Don Davis	X				
Will Kendrick	X				
Frank Peterman	X				
David Russell	X				
Franklin Sands	X				
Mitch Needelman (Chair)	X				
	Total Yeas: 7	**Total Nays: 0**			

Appearances:

David Mica (Lobbyist) (State Employee) - Proponent
Florida Petroleum Council
215 S. Monroe St.
Tallahassee Florida 32312
Phone: 561-6300

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HB 1307 : Management of Mercury Switches in Vehicles

[X] *Favorable*

	Yea	*Nay*	*No Vote*	*Absentee Yea*	*Absentee Nay*
Bob Allen	X				
Don Davis	X				
Will Kendrick	X				
Frank Peterman	X				
David Russell	X				
Franklin Sands	X				
Mitch Needelman (Chair)	X				
	Total Yeas: 7	**Total Nays: 0**			

Appearances:

Ross Good - Opponent
Daimler Chrysler
800 Chrysler Drive
Auburn Hills Michigan 48326
Phone: 248-576-7344

Jim Magill (Lobbyist) - Proponent
Trademark Metal Recycling
101 N. Monroe St., Suite 1090
Tallahassee Florida 32301
Phone: 681-0411

Wade Hopping (Lobbyist) - Opponent
Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers
123 S. Calhoun St.
Tallahassee Florida 32301
Phone: 222-7500

Susan Caplowe (Lobbyist) - Proponent
Sierra Club & Florida Consumers Action Network
P.O. Box 1201
Tallahassee Florida 32302

Ron LaFace (Lobbyist) - Opponent
Ford Motor Company
101 E. College Ave.
Tallahassee Florida 32301
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Michael Moore (Lobbyist) - Proponent
Florida Auto Dismantlers Association
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Tallahassee Florida 32301
Phone: 559-9999

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John Stipanovich (Lobbyist) - Proponent
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Mary Jean Yon (State Employee) - Information Only
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HB 1557 : Wekiva Onsite Disposal System Compliance Grant Program

[X] *Favorable With Committee Substitute*

	Yea	*Nay*	*No Vote*	*Absentee Yea*	*Absentee Nay*
Bob Allen	X				
Don Davis	X				
Will Kendrick	X				
Frank Peterman	X				
David Russell	X				
Franklin Sands	X				
Mitch Needelman (Chair)	X				
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HB 1557 Amendments

Amendment 1

[X] Adopted Without Objection

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COUNCIL/COMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	__	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	__	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	X	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	__	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	__	(Y/N)
OTHER	____	

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1 Council/Committee hearing bill: Environmental Regulation
2 Committee
3 Representative(s) Brummer offered the following:
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5 **Amendment (with title amendments)**
6 Remove everything after the enacting clause, and insert:
7 Section 1. Wekiva Onsite Sewage Treatment and Disposal
8 System Compliance Grant Program.--
9 (1) The Wekiva Onsite Sewage Treatment and Disposal System
10 Compliance Grant Program is created within the Department of
11 Health, to be administered by the Department of Health. The
12 purpose of the program is to provide grants to low-income
13 property owners in the Wekiva Study Area or the Wekiva River
14 Protection Area using onsite sewage treatment and disposal
15 systems to assist the property owner in complying with rules for
16 onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems developed by the
17 Department of Health, the Department of Environmental
18 Protection, or the St. Johns River Water Management District to
19 enforce compliance with onsite sewage treatment and disposal
20 system standards.

21 (2) Any property owner in the Wekiva Study Area or the
22 Wekiva River Protection Area having an income less than or equal
23 to 200 percent of the federal poverty guidelines who is required
24 by rule of the Department of Health, the Department of
25 Environmental Protection, or the St. Johns River Water
26 Management District to construct, reconstruct, alter, repair, or
27 modify any new or existing onsite sewage treatment and disposal
28 system on such property may apply to the Department of Health
29 for a grant to assist the owner with the cost of compliance.
30 (3) The amount of the grant is limited to $10,000 per
31 property and shall be increased each calendar year by the change
32 in the annual average of the "materials and components for
33 construction" series of the producer price index, as calculated
34 and published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau
35 of Statistics, from the previous calendar year.
36 (4) The grant shall be in the form of a rebate to the
37 property owner for costs incurred in complying with requirements
38 for onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems. The property
39 owner shall provide to the Department of Health in the
40 application for a grant documentation of costs incurred in
41 complying with requirements for such systems.
42 (5) The Department of Health shall adopt rules pursuant to
43 ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 providing forms, procedures, and
44 requirements for applying for and disbursing grants under this
45 section and for documenting compliance costs incurred.
46 Section 2. (1)(a) The Department of Environmental
47 Protection shall conduct a study to determine the various
48 sources of nitrogen input into the Wekiva River and associated
49 springs contributing water to the river. The Department of
50 Environmental Protection shall prepare a report recommending

51 actions to be taken by the Department of Environmental
52 Protection, and the St. Johns Water Management District that
53 will provide the best use of economic resources to reduce
54 nitrogen inputs into the river and associated springs.
55 (b) The Department of Health shall contract for a study by
56 an independent entity of sources of input of nitrogen from
57 onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems into the Wekiva
58 River and associated springs. The study shall measure the
59 concentration of nitrates in the soil 10 feet and 20 feet below
60 the drainage field of the onsite sewage treatment and disposal
61 systems. The contract shall require the entity to submit a
62 report to the Department of Health describing the locations of
63 such sources and amounts contributed by such sources and
64 containing recommendations to reduce or eliminate nitrogen
65 inputs from such sources.
66 (c) The Department of Environmental Protection and the
67 Department of Health shall submit copies of the reports to the
68 President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
69 Representatives before the 2007 Regular Session of the
70 Legislature.
71 (2) The Department of Health shall develop proposed rules
72 for a model proposal applying to operation and maintenance of
73 onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems within the Wekiva
74 Study Area or the Wekiva River Protection Area. At a minimum,
75 the rules shall require each property owner in the Wekiva Study
76 Area or the Wekiva River Protection Area having an onsite sewage
77 treatment and disposal system to pump out the system at least
78 once every 5 years.
79 Section 3. (1) The sum of $ is appropriated from
80 the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Health of which

81 $ _____ shall be used by the Department of Health to
82 administer the Wekiva Onsite Sewage Treatment and Disposal
83 System Compliance Grant Program and $ _____ shall be used to
84 provide grants to applicants under the program.
85 (2)(a) The sum of $ _____ is appropriated from the
86 General Revenue Fund to the Department of Environmental
87 Protection to be used by the Department of Environmental
88 Protection to conduct the study required under paragraph (1)(a)
89 of section 2.
90 (b) The sum of $ _____ is appropriated from the
91 General Revenue Fund to the Department of Health to be used for
92 purposes of the independent study the Department of Health is
93 required to contract for under paragraph (1)(b) of section 2.
94 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.
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96 ========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ==========
97 Remove the entire title and insert:
98 A bill to be entitled
99 An act relating to the Wekiva Onsite Sewage Treatment and
100 Disposal System Compliance Grant Program; creating the
101 program in the Department of Health; providing purposes;
102 authorizing certain property owners in certain areas of
103 the Wekiva basin to apply for grants for certain purposes;
104 providing grant limitations; providing for annual
105 adjustments of the amount of the grants; providing for the
106 grant as a rebate of costs incurred; requiring
107 documentation of costs; requiring the Department of Health
108 to adopt rules to administer the grant program; requiring
109 the Department of Environmental Protection to conduct a
110 study of sources of nitrogen input into the Wekiva River

111 and associated springs; requiring the Department of Health
112 to contract for an independent study of sources of
113 nitrogen input into the Wekiva River and associated
114 springs; requiring reports; providing report requirements;
115 requiring the Department of Environmental Protection and
116 Department of Health to submit copies of the reports to
117 the Legislature; requiring the Department of Health to
118 develop proposed rules for a model proposal applying to
119 operation and maintenance of onsite sewage treatment and
120 disposal systems in certain areas; specifying a rule
121 criterion; providing appropriations; providing an
122 effective date.
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HB 229 CS	Favorable	Yeas: 7	Nays: 0
HB 1307	Favorable	Yeas: 7	Nays: 0
HB 1557	Favorable With Committee Substitute	Yeas: 7	Nays: 0

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