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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to the land application of septage;  
 3           amending s. 381.0065, F.S.; terminating the future  
 4           imposition of the prohibition of the land application  
 5           of septage from onsite sewage treatment and disposal  
 6           systems; providing an effective date.

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

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 10           Section 1. Subsection (7) of section 381.0065, Florida  
 11   Statutes, is amended to read:

12           381.0065 Onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems;  
 13   regulation.-

14           ~~(7) LAND APPLICATION OF SEPTAGE PROHIBITED. Effective~~  
 15   ~~January 1, 2016, the land application of septage from onsite~~  
 16   ~~sewage treatment and disposal systems is prohibited. By February~~  
 17   ~~1, 2011, the department, in consultation with the Department of~~  
 18   ~~Environmental Protection, shall provide a report to the~~  
 19   ~~Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the~~  
 20   ~~House of Representatives, recommending alternative methods to~~  
 21   ~~establish enhanced treatment levels for the land application of~~  
 22   ~~septage from onsite sewage and disposal systems. The report~~  
 23   ~~shall include, but is not limited to, a schedule for the~~  
 24   ~~reduction in land application, appropriate treatment levels,~~  
 25   ~~alternative methods for treatment and disposal, enhanced~~  
 26   ~~application site permitting requirements including any~~  
 27   ~~requirements for nutrient management plans, and the range of~~  
 28   ~~costs to local governments, affected businesses, and individuals~~

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29 | ~~for alternative treatment and disposal methods. The report shall~~  
30 | ~~also include any recommendations for legislation or rule~~  
31 | ~~authority needed to reduce land application of septage.~~

32 |       Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.