CHAPTER 2010-283

Senate Bill No. 2-A

An act relating to public health; amending s. 381.0065, F.S.; delaying the implementation date of provisions requiring the Department of Health to administer an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system evaluation program; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section 381.0065, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

381.0065 Onsite sewage treatment and disposal systems; regulation.—

(5) EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT.—

(a) Beginning July January 1, 2011, the department shall administer an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system evaluation program for the purpose of assessing the fundamental operational condition of systems and identifying any failures within the systems. The department shall adopt rules implementing the program standards, procedures, and requirements, including, but not limited to, a schedule for a 5-year evaluation cycle, requirements for the pump-out of a system or repair of a failing system, enforcement procedures for failure of a system owner to obtain an evaluation of the system, and failure of a contractor to timely submit evaluation results to the department and the system owner. The department shall ensure statewide implementation of the evaluation and assessment program by January 1, 2016.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Became a law without the Governor's approval January 19, 2011.

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