

CHAPTER 2019-85

Committee Substitute for Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 767

An act relating to right of entry; amending s. 270.11, F.S.; releasing right of entry reserved by a local government, water management district, or other agency of the state for specified parcels of property; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) and subsection (3) of section 270.11, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

270.11 Contracts for sale of public lands to reserve certain mineral rights; prohibition on exercise of right of entry in certain cases.—

(2)

(b) A local government, a water management district, or an agency of the state may, at its discretion, sell or release reserved interest in any parcel of land, except that such sale or release shall be made upon petition of the owner of the parcel of land with a statement of reasons justifying such sale or release.

(3) The right of entry ~~in respect to any interest in phosphate, minerals, and metals or any interest in petroleum heretofore or hereafter reserved in favor of the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund, or the State Board of Education,~~ a local government, a water management district, or other agency of the state is hereby released for ~~as to~~ any parcel of property that is, or ever has been, a contiguous tract of less than 20 acres in the aggregate under the same ownership.

~~(3)—A local government, water management district, or agency of the state may, at its discretion, sell or release reserved interest in any parcel of land, except that such sale or release shall be made upon petition of the purchaser for such interest and with a statement of reasons justifying such sale or release.~~

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.

Approved by the Governor June 7, 2019.

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