1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to housing developments; amending s. 3 163.3164, F.S.; revising the definition of the term "urban infill"; amending s. 196.1978, F.S.; conforming 4 5 provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 6 380.093, F.S.; authorizing the Department of 7 Environmental Protection to provide certain grants to 8 community development districts for specified 9 purposes; authorizing community development districts to submit a list of certain proposed projects to the 10 department; amending s. 420.0004, F.S.; revising the 11 12 definition of the term "moderate-income persons"; 13 amending s. 420.50871, F.S.; requiring the total 14 number of units for certain new developments or 15 redevelopments to be based on plans that include 16 certain factors; prohibiting certain projects from requiring certain tax credits or bond financing; 17 18 amending s. 420.50872, F.S.; authorizing the 19 corporation to use certain contributions for certain new construction projects to replace obsolete homes in 20 21 mobile home parks and manufactured home communities; 22 prohibiting such projects from requiring certain tax 23 credits or bond financing; providing an effective 24 date. 25

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

Section 1. Subsection (49) of section 163.3164, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

163.3164 Community Planning Act; definitions.—As used in this act:

(49) "Urban infill" means the development of vacant parcels in otherwise built-up areas where public facilities such as sewer systems, roads, schools, and recreation areas are already in place and the average residential density is at least five dwelling units per acre, the average nonresidential intensity is at least a floor area ratio of 1.0, and vacant, developable land does not constitute more than 10 percent of the area. The term also includes the development or redevelopment of mobile home parks and manufactured home communities that meet the urban infill criteria.

Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 196.1978, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

196.1978 Affordable housing property exemption. -

- (2)(a) Notwithstanding ss. 196.195 and 196.196, property in a multifamily project that meets the requirements of this subsection is considered property used for a charitable purpose and is exempt from ad valorem tax beginning with the January 1 assessment after the 15th completed year from the earliest of:
  - 1. The effective date of the recorded agreement on those

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portions of the affordable housing property that provide housing to natural persons or families meeting the extremely-low-income, very-low-income, or low-income, or moderate-income limits specified in s. 420.0004;

- 2. The first day of the first taxable year in which the property was placed in service as an affordable housing property that provides housing to natural persons or families meeting the extremely-low-income, very-low-income, er low-income, or moderate-income limits specified in s. 420.0004; or
- 3. The date the property received a certificate of occupancy or a certificate of substantial completion, as applicable, allowing the property to be used as an affordable housing property that provides housing to natural persons or families meeting the extremely-low-income, very-low-income, or moderate-income limits specified in s. 420.0004.
- Section 3. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) and paragraph (d) of subsection (5) of section 380.093, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
- 380.093 Resilient Florida Grant Program; comprehensive statewide flood vulnerability and sea level rise data set and assessment; Statewide Flooding and Sea Level Rise Resilience Plan; regional resilience entities.—
  - (3) RESILIENT FLORIDA GRANT PROGRAM. -
- (b) Subject to appropriation, the department may provide grants to each of the following entities:

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1. A county or municipality to fund:

- a. The costs of community resilience planning and necessary data collection for such planning, including comprehensive plan amendments and necessary corresponding analyses that address the requirements of s. 163.3178(2)(f).
- b. Vulnerability assessments that identify or address risks of inland or coastal flooding and sea level rise.
- c. The development of projects, plans, and policies that allow communities to prepare for threats from flooding and sea level rise.
- d. Preconstruction activities for projects to be submitted for inclusion in the Statewide Flooding and Sea Level Rise Resilience Plan that are located in a municipality that has a population of 10,000 or fewer or a county that has a population of 50,000 or fewer, according to the most recent April 1 population estimates posted on the Office of Economic and Demographic Research's website.
- e. Feasibility studies and the cost of permitting for nature-based solutions that reduce the impact of flooding and sea level rise.
- 2. A water management district identified in s. 373.069 to support local government adaptation planning, which may be conducted by the water management district or by a third party on behalf of the water management district. Such grants must be used for the express purpose of supporting the Florida Flood Hub

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for Applied Research and Innovation and the department in implementing this section through data creation and collection, modeling, and the implementation of statewide standards.

Priority must be given to filling critical data gaps identified by the Florida Flood Hub for Applied Research and Innovation under s. 380.0933(2)(a).

- 3. A community development district, as defined in s.

  190.003, which is authorized under chapter 190 to fund the

  construction or reconstruction of critical assets as authorized

  by the enabling ordinance that created the community development

  district or as required by a county or municipal development

  order.
- (5) STATEWIDE FLOODING AND SEA LEVEL RISE RESILIENCE PLAN.—
- (d)1. By September 1, 2021, and each September 1 thereafter, the following entities may submit to the department a list of proposed projects that address risks of flooding or sea level rise identified in vulnerability assessments that meet the requirements of subsection (3):
  - a. Counties.

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- b. Municipalities.
- c. Special districts as defined in s. 189.012 that are responsible for the management and maintenance of inlets and intracoastal waterways or for the operation and maintenance of a potable water facility, a wastewater facility, an airport, or a

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126 seaport facility.

d. A community development district, as defined in s.

190.003, which is authorized under chapter 190 to fund the

construction or reconstruction of critical assets as authorized

by the enabling ordinance that created the community development

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For the plans submitted by December 1, 2021; December 1, 2022; and December 1, 2023, such entities may submit projects identified in existing vulnerability assessments that do not comply with subsection (3). A regional resilience entity may also submit proposed projects to the department pursuant to this subparagraph on behalf of one or more member counties or municipalities.

- 2. By September 1, 2021, and each September 1 thereafter, the following entities may submit to the department a list of any proposed projects that mitigate the risks of flooding or sea level rise on water supplies or water resources of the state and a corresponding evaluation of each project:
  - a. Water management districts.
  - b. Drainage districts.
  - c. Erosion control districts.
  - d. Flood control districts.
  - e. Regional water supply authorities.

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- 3. Each project submitted to the department pursuant to this paragraph for consideration by the department for inclusion in the plan must include:
  - a. A description of the project.
  - b. The location of the project.
- 162 c. An estimate of how long the project will take to complete.
  - d. An estimate of the cost of the project.
  - e. The cost-share percentage available for the project.
  - f. The project sponsor.

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- Section 4. Subsection (12) of section 420.0004, Florida

  Statutes, is amended to read:
  - 420.0004 Definitions.—As used in this part, unless the context otherwise indicates:
  - (12) "Moderate-income persons" means one or more natural persons or a family, the total annual adjusted gross household income of which is less than 120 percent of the median annual adjusted gross income for households within the state  $\tau$  or 120 percent of the median annual adjusted gross income for

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households within the metropolitan statistical area (MSA) or, if not within an MSA, within the county in which the person or family resides, whichever is greater. In counties with a population of 1 million or more, the term means one or more natural persons or a family, the total annual adjusted gross household income of which is less than 140 percent of the median annual adjusted gross income for households within the state or 140 percent of the median annual adjusted gross income for households within the MSA, whichever is greater.

Section 5. Subsection (5) of section 420.50871, Florida Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (6), paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1) are amended, and a new subsection (5) is added to that section, to read:

420.50871 Allocation of increased revenues derived from amendments to s. 201.15 made by ch. 2023-17.—Funds that result from increased revenues to the State Housing Trust Fund derived from amendments made to s. 201.15 made by chapter 2023-17, Laws of Florida, must be used annually for projects under the State Apartment Incentive Loan Program under s. 420.5087 as set forth in this section, notwithstanding ss. 420.507(48) and (50) and 420.5087(1) and (3). The Legislature intends for these funds to provide for innovative projects that provide affordable and attainable housing for persons and families working, going to school, or living in this state. Projects approved under this section are intended to provide housing that is affordable as

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defined in s. 420.0004, notwithstanding the income limitations in s. 420.5087(2). Beginning in the 2023-2024 fiscal year and annually for 10 years thereafter:

- (1) The corporation shall allocate 70 percent of the funds provided by this section to issue competitive requests for application for the affordable housing project purposes specified in this subsection. The corporation shall finance projects that:
- (a) Both redevelop an existing affordable housing development and provide for the construction of a new development within close proximity to the existing development to be rehabilitated. Each project must provide for building the new affordable housing development first, relocating the tenants of the existing development to the new development, and then demolishing the existing development for reconstruction of an affordable housing development with more overall and affordable units. The total number of units for a new development or the redevelopment of an existing affordable housing development which includes more overall and affordable units must be based on plans presented by the developer which include factors related to existing or proposed zoning, financing, and housing supply needs of the county in which the project is located.
- (b) Address urban infill, <u>as defined in s. 163.3164</u>, including conversions of vacant, dilapidated, or functionally obsolete buildings or the use of underused commercial property.

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226	(5) A project financed under this section may not require
227	that low-income housing tax credits under s. 42 of the Internal
228	Revenue Code or tax-exempt bond financing be a part of the
229	financing structure for the project.
230	Section 6. Subsection (2) of section 420.50872, Florida
231	Statutes, is amended to read:
232	420.50872 Live Local Program.—
233	(2) RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CORPORATION; PROHIBITIONS
234	(a) The corporation shall:
235	1.(a) Expend 100 percent of eligible contributions
236	received under this section for the State Apartment Incentive
237	Loan Program under s. 420.5087. However, the corporation may use
238	up to \$25 million of eligible contributions to provide loans for
239	the construction of large-scale projects of significant regional
240	impact, including new construction projects that have received
241	development assistance from the federal government to replace
242	obsolete homes in mobile home parks and manufactured home
243	communities based on a comprehensive redevelopment plan. Such
244	projects must include a substantial civic, educational, or
245	health care use and may include a commercial use, any of which
246	must be incorporated within or contiguous to the project
247	property. Such a loan must be made, except as otherwise provided
248	in this subsection, in accordance with the practices and
249	policies of the State Apartment Incentive Loan Program. Such a

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loan is subject to the competitive application process and may

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not exceed 25 percent of the total project cost. The corporation must find that the loan provides a unique opportunity for investment alongside local government participation that would enable creation of a significant amount of affordable housing. Projects approved under this section are intended to provide housing that is affordable as defined in s. 420.0004, notwithstanding the income limitations in s. 420.5087(2).

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- 2.(b) Upon receipt of an eligible contribution, provide the taxpayer that made the contribution with a certificate of contribution. A certificate of contribution must include the taxpayer's name; its federal employer identification number, if available; the amount contributed; and the date of contribution.
- 3.(c) Within 10 days after issuing a certificate of contribution, provide a copy to the Department of Revenue.
- (b) A project financed under this section may not require that low-income housing tax credits under s. 42 of the Internal Revenue Code or tax-exempt bond financing be a part of the financing structure for the project.
- Section 7. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.