

SENATE BILL SUMMARY

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SB 982

Urban and Residential Environments and Water Protection
by Senator Constantine

Cites this act as the "Protection of Urban and Residential Environments and Water Act."

Encourages county and municipal governments to adopt and enforce the Model Ordinance for Florida-Friendly Fertilizer Use on Urban Landscapes or an equivalent requirement as a mechanism for protecting local surface water and ground water quality.

Requires a county government or municipal government located within the watershed of a water body or water segment that is listed by the Department of Environmental Protection as impaired to adopt the model ordinance.

Provides that additional or more stringent provisions may be adopted.

Requires that a commercial fertilizer applicator obtain training and certification from the Green Industry Best Management Practices program. (See bill for details)