HOUSE ———————————————————— **AMENDMENT NO.___**

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1   AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 60,

2   Page 3, Section 50.535, Line 37, by inserting after all of said section and line the following:

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4   "50.622.   1.   Any county may amend the annual budget during any fiscal year in which the

5   county receives additional funds, and such amount or source, including but not limited to, federal

6   or state grants or private donations, could not be estimated when the budget was adopted. The

7   county shall follow the same procedures as required in sections 50.525 to 50.745 for adoption of

8   the annual budget to amend its budget during a fiscal year.

9   2.   Any county may decrease the annual budget twice during any fiscal year in which the

10   county experiences a verifiable decline in funds of two percent or higher, and such amount could

11   not be estimated or anticipated when the budget was adopted, provided that any decrease in

12   appropriations shall not unduly affect any one officeholder. Before any reduction affecting an

13   independently elected officeholder can occur, negotiations must take place with all officeholders

14   who receive funds from the affected category of funds in an attempt to cover the shortfall.

15   3.   Any decrease in an appropriation authorized under subsection 2 of this section shall not

16   impact any dedicated fund otherwise provided by law.

17   4.   The county shall follow the same procedures as required in sections 50.525 to 50.745

18   for adoption of the annual budget to amend its budget during a fiscal year, except that the notice

19   provided for in section 50.600 shall be extended to thirty days for purposes of this section and

20   such notice must include a published summary of the proposed reductions and an explanation of

21   the shortfall. If the county has a website, publication on the website will satisfy the notice

22   requirement for this section.

23   5.   This section shall expire on July 1, 2015.

24   6.   County commissioners may reduce budgets of departments under their direct

25   supervision and responsibility at any time without the restrictions imposed by this section."; and

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27   Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references

28   accordingly.