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The Honorable Ken Pruitt
President

The Florida Senate
409 The Capitol
404 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

The Honorable Marco Rubio
Speaker

The Florida House of Representatives
420 The Capitol
402 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Dear President Pruitt and Speaker Rubio:

The Taxation and Budget Reform Commission hereby submits the Committee Substitute for Statutory Recommendation 5 for consideration by the Florida Legislature.

Article XI, section 6 of the Florida Constitution requires the Commission to conduct a review and to "propose to the legislature any recommended statutory changes related to the taxation or budgetary laws of the state." Consistent with this duty, the Commission approved the Committee Substitute for Statutory Recommendation 5 by a vote of 17-0 on January 18, 2008.

The Committee Substitute for Statutory Recommendation 5 is the implementing legislation for the Committee Substitute for Constitutional Proposal 4. The constitutional proposal authorizes the Legislature to prohibit the consideration of storm-hardening improvements and the installation of renewable energy source devices in the determination of the assessed value of residential real property. The text and analysis of the recommendation are attached.

Please contact me or Susan Skelton, executive director, for additional information or assistance.

Sincerely,

Allan Bense, Chair

Enclosures

Cc: The Honorable Charlie Crist, Governor