

**SB 5449 - DIGEST**

(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Declares that the purposes of this act are to: Promote nonregulatory measures, incentives, and educational programs; reduce conflict between agencies, local governments, and stakeholders; alleviate adverse consequences of prescriptive rules; and protect both property rights and values and critical area functions and values.

Declares an intent that counties and cities utilizing this act make voluntary solutions a planning priority, and provide ample opportunities for citizens to understand and pursue voluntary options to improve their own environment.

Appropriates the sum of one million dollars, or as much thereof as may be necessary, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, from the general fund to the department of community, trade, and economic development for the purposes of environmental management incentive zone subarea planning under this act.