

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to local regulation preemption;
 3 providing definitions; prohibiting certain local
 4 governments from imposing or adopting certain
 5 regulations on businesses, professions, and
 6 occupations after a certain date; preempting the
 7 regulation of businesses, professions, and occupations
 8 to the state; providing exceptions to such preemption;
 9 providing an effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Regulation of businesses, professions, and
14 occupations preempted to the state.-

15 (1) DEFINITIONS.-As used in this section:

16 (a) "Local government" means a county, municipality,
17 special district, school district, or political subdivision of
18 the state.

19 (b) "Regulation" means a rule or regulation, license,
20 permit, or requirement and includes, but is not limited to, a
21 regulatory fee, license fee, or permit fee.

22 (2) LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATION.-After January 1, 2017, a
23 local government may not adopt or impose a new regulation on a
24 business, profession, and occupation unless the regulation is
25 expressly authorized by general law.

26 (3) PREEMPTION OF REGULATION TO THE STATE.-
 27 Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, this section expressly
 28 preempts the regulation of businesses, professions, and
 29 occupations to the state and supersedes any local government
 30 regulation of businesses, professions, and occupations with the
 31 exception of the following:

32 (a) A regulation adopted prior to January 1, 2017, without
 33 general law authority. Any such regulation expires on January 1,
 34 2020.

35 (b) A regulation expressly authorized by general law.

36 (4) EXISTING REGULATION LIMIT.-A local government with a
 37 local regulation concerning a business, profession, or
 38 occupation that is retained pursuant to paragraph (3)(a) may not
 39 impose additional regulations on that business, profession, or
 40 occupation or modify such regulation except to repeal or reduce
 41 the regulation.

42 (5) REGULATIONS NOT AUTHORIZED.-A local regulation that is
 43 not authorized under this section or expressly authorized by
 44 general law does not apply and may not be enforced.

45 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.