

HB 911

2015

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to residential construction; amending  
 3           s. 553.37, F.S.; directing the Florida Building  
 4           Commission to adopt a requirement within the Florida  
 5           Building Code that, on or after a specified date, all  
 6           newly constructed residential buildings have a solar  
 7           thermal compatible system; defining the term "solar  
 8           thermal compatible system"; providing an effective  
 9           date.

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

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13           Section 1. Subsection (13) is added to section 553.37,  
 14 Florida Statutes, to read:

15           553.37 Rules; inspections; and insignia.—

16           (13) The Florida Building Commission shall adopt within  
 17 the Florida Building Code a requirement that, effective January  
 18 1, 2019, all newly constructed residential buildings in this  
 19 state must have a solar thermal compatible system. For the  
 20 purposes of this subsection, the term "solar thermal compatible  
 21 system" means a water heating device that is capable of using  
 22 heat trapped from incidental sunlight in order to heat water.

23           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.