

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to unlawful demolition of historical
 3 structures; amending s. 162.09, F.S.; authorizing
 4 enhanced fines for the unlawful demolition of certain
 5 historical structures; providing that fines may not
 6 exceed a specified amount; providing an effective
 7 date.

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

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 11 Section 1. Paragraph (e) is added to subsection (2) of
 12 section 162.09, Florida Statutes, to read:

13 162.09 Administrative fines; costs of repair; liens.—
 14 (2)

15 (e) The demolition of a structure individually listed on,
 16 or contributing to, the National Register of Historic Places may
 17 be the basis for an enhanced fine if the code enforcement board
 18 or special magistrate makes specific findings based on
 19 competent, substantial evidence that the demolition of the
 20 historic structure was not permitted and was not the result of a
 21 natural disaster. Fines imposed by the code enforcement board or
 22 special magistrate may not to exceed an amount that is 20
 23 percent of the value of the property as identified in the
 24 property appraiser's evaluation of its fair market value.

25 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.