

Governor DeSantis Signs Bill Increasing Acreage for “Small-Scale” Comprehensive Plan Amendments

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On June 29, 2021, Governor DeSantis signed into law HB 487, which increases the maximum acreage of a small-scale comprehensive plan amendment from 10 acres to 50 acres. It also increases the maximum acreage for a small-scale comprehensive plan amendment within a rural area of opportunity from 20 acres to 100 acres. The new law became effective on July 1, 2021.

The bill, which was passed by the Florida Legislature in April, is considered a win for the real estate and development industry since it will reduce the approval time for projects that were otherwise considered large-scale future land use map amendments.

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