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FINE'S FIRST BILL TO ADDRESS INDIAN RIVER LAGOON

Palm Bay, FL – Today, State Representative Randy Fine (R-53, South Brevard) filed HB 285, a bill that would require the inspection of septic tanks as part of home and other real estate sales. A companion bill is expected to be filed in the Senate shortly.

“I ran on four issues: improving education, solving the Indian River Lagoon crisis, reforming the welfare state, and making Florida the best place in America to start, build, and grow a business,” said Fine, who was a first-time candidate elected in November. “I intend to keep my word. With the introduction of my first piece of legislation, I am excited to start working on the first of those four initiatives.

“There is no question that leaky septic tanks are contributing to water quality challenges across our state, including in our beloved Indian River Lagoon,” said Fine. “This measure would begin to tackle this issue by ensuring that septic tanks are inspected as part of the suite of inspections that regularly take place during a home sale so that buyers are fully informed about the properties they are considering buying.

“This measure will begin to address our septic tank issues, while neither burdening taxpayers nor those on fixed incomes with no plans to sell their homes. Taxpayers will not be responsible for paying for the inspections, or any repairs that result, and those on fixed incomes, with no plans to sell their homes, will not be required to come up with funds for regular inspections.”

ABOUT RANDY FINE: Randy Fine is the State Representative from District 53, which is comprised of the southern portion of Brevard County and includes the entirety of Palm Bay, Malabar, and Grant-Valkaria, and portions of Melbourne, West Melbourne, and unincorporated Brevard. Representative Fine is a third-generation Floridian, married to his wife Wendy, and together they have two boys, Jacob and David. A lifelong entrepreneur, Randy started his first business while in college and his second after graduating with distinction from Harvard Business School. Randy is the Cubmaster of Cub Scout Pack 391 and is an active Junior Achievement volunteer instructor.

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