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Brief Description: Providing land use flexibility for family farms owned or operated by senior citizens.

**HB 1151 - DIGEST**

Declares an intent with this act to authorize local governments to afford some land use flexibility to those family farm owners and operators experiencing significant economic distress. The legislature also intends to authorize this flexibility for a limited period to allow a sufficient response time for these farm families while still preserving for the long term the planning and zoning systems established for agricultural lands under the growth management act.