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Impact fee threat? What impact fee threat?

By [S.V. Date](#) | Tuesday, July 3, 2007, 12:42 PM

The Florida Home Builders Association Tuesday removed from its Web site a statement linking political contributions to sponsorship of legislation limiting impact fees, which the group supports.

The 400-word "President's Message" by John Wiseman was pulled soon after The Palm Beach Post published an article describing the statement and negative reaction to it from Senate President Ken Pruitt, who advised his members not to sponsor any such bill and to return any contributions the group may have given them.

The group's "FHBAAction News" page remains dated July 2, 2007, but now begins with information about the recently finished legislative session that on Monday had appeared immediately below Wiseman's message.

Group spokeswoman Edie Ausley did not immediately return a phone call about the change.

Gov. Charlie Crist, whose actions on some bills are criticized on the news page, Tuesday morning added his disapproval to the group's tactic. "On the surface, it just doesn't sound appropriate at all," he said.

Here is the original Post article:

http://www.palmbeachpost.com/state/content/state/epaper/2007/07/03/a7axgrBUILDERS_0703.html

Here is the message that Monday appeared on the Web site: http://216.239.51.104/search?q=cache:wJ2dcZ-V_uUJ:www.fhba.com/index.cfm%3FREFERER%3Dcontent.contentItem%26ID%3D1484+fhba+action+news+july+2&hl=en&ct=clnk&cd=1&gl=us&client=firefox-a

Here is the Web site's news page as it appears now: <http://www.fhba.com/index.cfm?referer=content.contentItem&ID=1484>

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