

Amendment No. 11

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<u>    </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	<u>    </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u>    </u>	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	<u>    </u>	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	<u>    </u>	(Y/N)
OTHER	<u>    </u>	

Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Regulatory Affairs  
Committee

Representative Beshears offered the following:

**Amendment**

Remove lines 1528-1565 and insert:

1. Possess an active certification as a Florida Supreme Court certified circuit court mediator. A Florida Supreme Court certified circuit court mediator in a lapse, suspended, sanctioned, or decertified status is not eligible to participate in the mediation program ~~a masters or doctorate degree in psychology, counseling, business, accounting, or economics, be a member of The Florida Bar, be licensed as a certified public accountant, or demonstrate that the applicant for approval has been actively engaged as a qualified mediator for at least 4 years prior to July 1, 1990.~~

2. Be an approved department mediator as of July 1, 2013, and have conducted at least one mediation on behalf of the department within 4 years immediately preceding that the date ~~the application for approval is filed with the department, have~~

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21 ~~completed a minimum of a 40-hour training program approved by~~  
22 ~~the department and successfully passed a final examination~~  
23 ~~included in the training program and approved by the department.~~  
24 ~~The training program shall include and address all of the~~  
25 ~~following:~~

26 ~~a. Mediation theory.~~

27 ~~b. Mediation process and techniques.~~

28 ~~c. Standards of conduct for mediators.~~

29 ~~d. Conflict management and intervention skills.~~

30 ~~e. Insurance nomenclature.~~

31 (4) The department shall deny an application, or suspend  
32 or revoke its approval of a mediator or certification of a  
33 neutral evaluator to serve in such capacity, if the department  
34 finds that any of the following grounds exist:

35 (a) Lack of one or more of the qualifications specified in  
36 this section for approval or certification.

37 (b) Material misstatement, misrepresentation, or fraud in  
38 obtaining or attempting to obtain the approval or certification.

39 (c) Demonstrated lack of fitness or trustworthiness to act  
40 as a mediator or neutral evaluator.

41 (d) Fraudulent or dishonest practices in the conduct of  
42 mediation or neutral evaluation or in the conduct of business in  
43 the financial services industry.

44 (e) Violation of any provision of this code or of a lawful  
45 order or rule of the department, violation of the Florida Rules  
46 of Certified and Court Appointed Mediators, or aiding,  
47 instructing, or  
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