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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Rules (Simmons) recommended the following: Senate Amendment (with title amendment) Delete lines 92 - 114 and insert: Section 2. Paragraphs (i) and (q) of subsection (3) and paragraph (c) of subsection (4) of section 605.0105, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 605.0105 Operating agreement; scope, function, and limitations.-(3) An operating agreement may not do any of the following: (i) Vary the power of a person to dissociate under s.

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12	605.0601, except to require that the notice under s. 605.0602(1)
13	be in a record.
14	<u>(p) (q)</u> Provide for indemnification for a member or manager
15	under s. 605.0408 for any of the following:
16	1. Conduct involving bad faith, willful or intentional
17	misconduct, or a knowing violation of law.
18	2. A transaction from which the member or manager derived
19	an improper personal benefit.
20	3. A circumstance under which the liability provisions of
21	s. 605.0406 are applicable.
22	4. A breach of duties or obligations under s. 605.04091,
23	taking into account a <u>restriction, an expansion, or an</u>
24	elimination variation of such duties and obligations provided
25	for in the operating agreement to the extent allowed by
26	subsection (4).
27	(4) Subject to paragraph (3)(g), without limiting other
28	terms that may be included in an operating agreement, the
29	following rules apply:
30	(c) If not manifestly unreasonable, the operating agreement
31	may:
32	1. Alter or eliminate the aspects of the duty of loyalty
33	under s. 605.04091(2);
34	2. Identify specific types or categories of activities that
35	do not violate the duty of loyalty; and
36	3. Alter the duty of care, but may not authorize willful or
37	intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law <u>; and</u>
38	4. Alter or eliminate any other fiduciary duty.
39	Section 3. Section 605.0111, Florida Statutes, is amended
40	to read:

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41 605.0111 Rules of construction and supplemental principles 42 of law.-43 (1) It is the intent of this chapter to give the maximum 44 effect to the principle of freedom of contract and to the enforceability of operating agreements, including the purposes 45 46 of ss. 605.0105-605.0107. 47 (2) To the extent that, at law or in equity, a member, a manager, or another person has duties, including fiduciary 48 49 duties, to a limited liability company or to another member or 50 manager or to another person that is a party to or is otherwise 51 bound by an operating agreement, the duties of the member, 52 manager, or other person may be restricted, expanded, or 53 eliminated, including in the determination of applicable duties 54 and obligations under this chapter, by the operating agreement, 55 and to the extent allowed by s. 605.0105. (3) Unless displaced by particular provisions of this 56 57 chapter, the principles of law and equity, including the common 58 law principles relating to the fiduciary duties of loyalty and 59 care, supplement this chapter. 60 Section 4. Subsection (4) of section 605.04073, Florida 61 Statutes, is amended to read: 62 605.04073 Voting rights of members and managers.-63 (4) An action requiring the vote or consent of members 64 under this chapter may be taken without a meeting if the action 65 is approved in a record by members with at least the minimum number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take the 66 action at a meeting of the members., and A member may appoint a 67 proxy or other agent to vote or consent for the member by 68 69 signing an appointing record, personally or by the member's

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70	agent. On an action taken by fewer than all of the members
71	without a meeting, notice of the action must be given to those
72	members who did not consent in writing to the action or who were
73	not entitled to vote on the action within 10 days after the
74	action was taken.
75	Section 5. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 605.04091,
76	Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
77	605.04091 Standards of conduct for members and managers
78	(2) The duty of loyalty <u>includes</u> is limited to:
79	(a) Accounting to the limited liability company and holding
80	as trustee for it any property, profit, or benefit derived by
81	the manager or member, as applicable:
82	1. In the conduct or winding up of the company's activities
83	and affairs;
84	2. From the use by the member or manager of the company's
85	property; or
86	3. From the appropriation of a company opportunity;
87	(b) Refraining from dealing with the company in the conduct
88	or winding up of the company's activities and affairs as, or on
89	behalf of, a person having an interest adverse to the company,
90	except to the extent that a transaction satisfies the
91	requirements of this section; and
92	(c) Refraining from competing with the company in the
93	conduct of the company's activities and affairs before the
94	dissolution of the company.
95	(3) The duty of care in the conduct or winding up of the
96	company's activities and affairs is <del>limited</del> to <u>refrain</u>
97	refraining from engaging in grossly negligent or reckless
98	conduct, willful or intentional misconduct, or a knowing
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99 violation of law. 100 101 And the title is amended as follows: 102 103 Delete lines 13 - 16 104 and insert: 105 dissociate; clarifying that an operating agreement is 106 prohibited from providing indemnification for a member 107 or manager in certain circumstances; authorizing an 108 operating agreement to alter or eliminate any other 109 fiduciary duty; amending s. 605.0111, F.S.; providing 110 that the duties of the member, manager, or another 111 person may be restricted, expanded, or eliminated in 112 certain circumstances; amending s. 605.04073, F.S.; 113 requiring certain conditions for members of a limited 114 liability company, without a meeting, to take certain 115 actions requiring the vote or consent of the members; 116 amending s. 605.04091, F.S.; providing that the duty 117 of loyalty includes, but is not limited to, specified 118 actions; revising the duty of care in the conduct or 119 winding up of the company's activities and affairs; 120 amending