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Amendment No.

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Senator Brown-Waite moved the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 3, line 25 through page 4, line 19, delete those lines

and insert: fingerprint card to the agency. The agency shall establish a record of the request in the database provided for in paragraph (c) and forward the request to the Department of Law Enforcement, which is authorized to submit the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal history records check. The results of the national criminal history records check shall be returned to the agency, which shall maintain the results in the database provided for in paragraph (c). The agency shall notify the administrator of the requesting nursing facility or the administrator of any other facility licensed under chapter 393, chapter 394, chapter 395, chapter 397, or this chapter, as requested by such facility, as to whether or not the employee has qualified under level 1 or level 2 screening. An employee or prospective employee who has qualified under level

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1 2 screening and has maintained such continuous residency
2 within the state shall not be required to complete a
3 subsequent level 2 screening as a condition of employment at
4 another facility.

5 (c) The agency shall establish and maintain a database
6 of background screening information which shall include the
7 results of both level 1 and level 2 screening and central
8 abuse registry and tracking system checks. The Department of
9 Law Enforcement shall timely provide to the agency,
10 electronically, the results of each statewide screening for
11 incorporation into the database. The Department of Children
12 and Family Services shall provide the agency with electronic
13 access to the central abuse registry and tracking system. The
14 agency shall search the registry to identify any confirmed
15 report and shall access such report for incorporation into the
16 database. The agency shall, upon request from any facility,
17 agency, or program required by or authorized by law to screen
18 its employees or applicants, notify the administrator of the
19 facility, agency, or program of the qualifying or
20 disqualifying status of the employee or applicant named in the
21 request.

22 (3) The applicant is responsible for paying the fees
23 associated with obtaining the required screening. Payment for
24 the screening and the abuse registry check shall be submitted
25 to the agency. The agency shall establish a schedule of fees
26 to cover the costs of level 1 and level 2 screening and the
27 abuse registry check. Facilities may reimburse employees for
28 these costs. The agency shall, as allowable, reimburse nursing
29 facilities for the cost of conducting background screening as
30 required by this section. This reimbursement will not be
31 subject to any rate ceilings or payment targets in the

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1 Medicaid Reimbursement plan.

2 (4) For purposes of this section, notwithstanding the
3 provisions of s. 435.09 to the contrary, a nursing home
4 facility administrator licensed under s. 468.1645 may
5 acknowledge receipt of a qualifying or a disqualifying
6 screening report to another nursing home administrator
7 licensed under s. 468.1645 and must provide the date of the
8 screening report.

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11 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

12 And the title is amended as follows:

13 On page 1, lines 14 through 19, delete those lines

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15 and insert:

16 certain conditions; requiring the Agency for
17 Health Care Administration to establish and
18 maintain a database and provider certain
19 information; providing for screening fees;
20 authorizing nursing home facility
21 administrators to acknowledge receipt of
22 background screening reports; requiring the
23 Department of

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