HOUSE AMENDMENT

Bill No. <u>HB 1971</u>

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	CHAMBER ACTION							
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11	Representative(s) Bitner offered the following:							
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13	Substitute Amendment for Amendment (155337) (with title							
14	amendment)							
15	On page 47, between lines 12 and 13 of the bill							
16								
17	insert: (9) Any attorneys' fees awarded in a civil action							
18	under s. 400.023 and any costs awarded for expert witness fees							
19	in such an action, against a nursing facility that was, at the							
20	time the action was brought, designated as a Gold Seal							
21	facility pursuant to this section, shall not exceed in the							
22	aggregate a total of \$50,000 unless the court determines that							
23	the facility has acted in bad faith, with malicious intent,							
24	and that there was a complete absence of a justiciable issue							
25	of either law or fact.							
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28	========= TITLE AMENDMENT==========							
29	And the title is amended as follows:							
30	On page 3, line 21, after the semicolon							
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