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Senator Mitchell moved the following amendment to amendment (054848):

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

On page 33, between lines 17 and 18,

insert:

Section 25. Section 489.118, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

489.118 Certification of registered contractors; grandfathering provisions.--The board shall, upon receipt of a completed application and appropriate fee, issue a certificate in the appropriate category to any contractor registered under this part who makes application to the board and can show that he or she meets each of the following requirements:

(1) Currently holds a valid registered local license in one of the contractor categories defined in s. 489.105(3)(a)-(p).

(2) Has, for that category, passed a written examination that the board finds to be substantially similar to the examination required to be licensed as a certified

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1 contractor under this part. For purposes of this subsection, a  
 2 written, proctored examination such as that produced by the  
 3 National Assessment Institute, Block and Associates, ~~or~~  
 4 NAI/Block, Experior Assessments, Professional Testing, Inc.,  
 5 or Assessment Systems, Inc., shall be considered to be  
 6 substantially similar to the examination required to be  
 7 licensed as a certified contractor. The board may not impose  
 8 or make any requirements regarding the nature or content of  
 9 these cited examinations.

10 (3) Has at least 5 years of experience as a contractor  
 11 in that contracting category, or as an inspector or building  
 12 administrator with oversight over that category, at the time  
 13 of application. For contractors, only time periods in which  
 14 the contractor license is active and the contractor is not on  
 15 probation shall count toward the 5 years required by this  
 16 subsection.

17 (4) Has not had his or her contractor's license  
 18 revoked at any time, had his or her contractor's license  
 19 suspended within the last 5 years, or been assessed a fine in  
 20 excess of \$500 within the last 5 years.

21 (5) Is in compliance with the insurance and financial  
 22 responsibility requirements in s. 489.115(5).

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 24 Applicants wishing to obtain a certificate pursuant to this  
 25 section must make application by November 1, 2004.

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 27 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)  
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31 And the title is amended as follows:

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On page 43, line 21, after the semicolon,  
insert:  
amending s. 489.118, F.S.; limiting the time  
period during which registered applicants must  
apply to receive certification;