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Senator Hargrett moved the following amendment:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

On page 35, between lines 20 and 21,

insert:

Section 23. 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 or either subsection (1) or subsection (2):

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

(b)~~(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 shall be considered to be substantially similar to  
5 the examination required to be licensed as a certified  
6 contractor.

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

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

18 (e)~~(5)~~ Is in compliance with the insurance and  
19 financial responsibility requirements in s. 489.115(5).

20 (2)(a) Has held a valid registered local license in  
21 one of the contractor categories defined in s.  
22 489.105(3)(a)-(p) for at least 25 years.

23 (b) Has never had any disciplinary action taken  
24 against him or her.

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26 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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

30 And the title is amended as follows:

31 On page 2, line 7, after the semicolon

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1 and insert:

2           amending s. 489.118, F.S.; providing for  
3           licensing of locally licensed contractors;

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