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Amendment No. ____

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11	Senators Meek, Hargrett, Dyer, Holzendorf, Campbell, and Jones
12	moved the following amendment:
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14	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
15	On page 18, line 12, delete the phrase ". For the
16	purposes of this"
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18	and insert: <u>, except that a postconviction claim that race</u>
19	was the basis of the decision to seek a death sentence may be
20	established if the court finds that race was a significant
21	factor in decisions to seek the sentence of death in the state
22	of Florida at the time the death sentence was sought.
23	1. Evidence relevant to support finding that race was
24	the basis of the decision to seek a death sentence may include
25	statistical evidence and other evidence that death sentences
26	were sought more frequently upon persons of one race than upon
27	persons of another race; or as punishment for capital offenses
28	against persons of one race than as punishment for capital
29	offenses against persons of another race.
30	2. If the defendant is successful in showing that the
31	imposition of his or her death sentence was based, in whole or

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in part, on his or her race, the death sentence shall be
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    commuted to life in prison.
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   And the title is amended as follows:
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          On page 1, line 11, after the semicolon,
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    insert:
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         providing an exception
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