

Bill No. CS for SB 1188

Amendment No.      Barcode 680972

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Senator Holzendorf moved the following amendment:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

On page 63, between lines 27 and 28,

insert:

Section 22. The board of governors of the joint underwriting plan authorized under section 627.311(4), Florida Statutes, shall conduct a study of the exemptions granted to the construction industry under chapter 440, Florida Statutes. The study must contain an examination of the ramifications of such exemptions on the construction industry and on the entire Florida workers' compensation system, including the potential impact of requiring all persons actively engaged in the construction industry who elect to be excluded from the definition of "employee" as provided in section 440.02, Florida Statutes, to obtain a minimum premium or an "if any" workers' compensation insurance policy. The study must also examine the cost and availability of such insurance coverage and make recommendations regarding insurance coverage for persons who currently elect to be excluded from chapter 440,

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1 Florida Statutes. The board of governors shall submit a  
 2 written report to the President of the Senate and the Speaker  
 3 of the House of Representatives by January 1, 2002. The sum of  
 4 \$250,000 is transferred to the joint underwriting plan from  
 5 the Workers' Compensation Administrative Trust Fund for the  
 6 purpose of funding the costs association with this study.

7 Section 23. Effective January 1, 2004, all persons  
 8 actively engaged in the construction industry shall secure the  
 9 payment of compensation under chapter 440, Florida Statutes.

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11 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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15 And the title is amended as follows:

16 On page 3, line 19, after the semicolon,

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18 insert:

19 requiring a study of the exemptions granted to  
 20 the construction industry under ch. 440, F.S.;  
 21 requiring a report to the Legislature;  
 22 providing for a transfer of funds to pay the  
 23 costs of the study; requiring persons engaged  
 24 in the construction industry to secure workers'  
 25 compensation insurance by a specified date;

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