HOUSE AMENDMENT 781-112AXD-32 Bill No. HB 613 Amendment No. ____ (for drafter's use only) CHAMBER ACTION Senate House 1 2 3 4 5 ORIGINAL STAMP BELOW 6 7 8 9 10 Representative(s) Mahon offered the following: 11 12 13 Amendment to Amendment (343015) (with title amendment) On page 13, line 28, through page 14, line 24, of the 14 15 amendment, remove from the bill: all of said lines, 16 17 and insert in lieu thereof: 18 19 Section 10. Section 725.06, Florida Statutes, is 20 amended to read: 725.06 Construction contracts; limitation on 21 22 indemnification. --(1) Any portion of any agreement or contract for or in 23 24 connection with, or any guarantee of or in connection with, any construction, alteration, repair, or demolition of a 25 building, structure, appurtenance, or appliance, including 26 moving and excavating associated therewith, between an owner 27 of real property and an architect, engineer, general 28 contractor, subcontractor, sub-subcontractor, or materialman 29 30 or any combination thereof wherein any party referred to 31 herein promises to indemnify or hold harmless the other party 1 File original & 9 copies hbd0022 04/27/01 08:51 am

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to the agreement, contract, or guarantee for liability for 1 2 damages to persons or property caused in whole or in part by 3 any act, omission, or default of the indemnitee arising from 4 the contract or its performance, shall be void and unenforceable unless the contract contains a monetary 5 limitation on the extent of the indemnification that bears a б 7 reasonable commercial relationship to the contract and is part 8 of the project specifications or bid documents, if any. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the monetary limitation on the 9 10 extent of the indemnification provided to the owner of real 11 property by any party in privity of contract with such owner 12 shall not be less than \$1 million per occurrence, unless 13 otherwise agreed by the parties. Indemnification provisions in any such agreements, contracts, or guarantees may not require 14 15 that the indemnitor indemnify the indemnitee for damages to persons or property caused in whole or in part by any act, 16 17 omission, or default of a party other than: 18 (a) The indemnitor; 19 (b) Any of the indemnitor's contractors, subcontractors, sub-subcontractors, materialmen, or agents of 20 any tier or their respective employees; or 21 (c) The indemnitee or its officers, directors, agents, 22 or employees. However, such indemnification shall not include 23 24 claims of, or damages resulting from, gross negligence, or willful, wanton or intentional misconduct of the indemnitee or 25 its officers, directors, agents or employees, or for statutory 26 27 violation or punitive damages except and to the extent the statutory violation or punitive damages are caused by or 28 29 result from the acts or omissions of the indemnitor or any of 30 the indemnitor's contractors, subcontractors, sub-subcontractors, materialmen, or agents of any tier or 31 2 04/27/01 08:51 am File original & 9 copies

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1 their respective employees.

2 (2) (1) A construction contract for a public agency or 3 in connection with a public agency's project may require a 4 party to that contract to indemnify and hold harmless the 5 other party to the contract, their officers and employees, from liabilities, damages, losses and costs, including, but б 7 not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentional 8 wrongful misconduct of the indemnifying party and persons 9 10 employed or utilized by the indemnifying party in the 11 performance of the construction contract.

12 (3)(2) Except as specifically provided in subsection 13 (2)(1), a construction contract for a public agency or in connection with a public agency's project may not require one 14 15 party to indemnify, defend, or hold harmless the other party, its employees, officers, directors, or agents from any 16 17 liability, damage, loss, claim, action, or proceeding, and any such contract provision is void as against public policy of 18 this state. 19

20 (4) This section does not affect any contracts,
 21 agreements, or guarantees entered into before the effective
 22 date of this section or any renewals thereof.

23 Section 11. Subsection (2) of section 725.08, Florida24 Statutes, is amended to read:

25 725.08 Design professional contracts; limitation in 26 indemnification.--

(2) Except as specifically provided in subsection (1),
a professional services contract <u>entered into with a public</u>
<u>agency</u> may not require that the design professional defend,
indemnify, or hold harmless the agency, its employees,
officers, directors, or agents from any liability, damage,

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   provision shall will be void as against the public policy of
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   this state.
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          On page 16, lines 4-7, of the amendment,
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   remove from the amendment: all of said lines,
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   and insert in lieu thereof:
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          amending s. 725.06, F.S.; revising
          indemnification and hold harmless restrictions
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          for certain construction agreements, contracts,
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          or guarantees; providing application; amending
          s. 725.08, F.S.; revising indemnification and
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          hold harmless restrictions for certain
          professional services contracts; repealing s.
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