Florida Senate - 2001

CS for SB 688

By the Committee on Health, Aging and Long-Term Care

317-1593-01 A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to health care; requiring the 3 Agency for Health Care Administration to 4 convene an interagency workgroup to study 5 issues pertaining to certain background б screening requirements for health care 7 professionals and owners, operators, and 8 employees of certain health care providers, 9 services, and programs; providing for composition of the workgroup; requiring a 10 11 report; repealing s. 71(1) of ch. 98-171, Laws of Florida; abrogating the repeal of provisions 12 13 of law which require background screening of applicants for licensure, certification, or 14 15 registration; providing an effective date. 16 17 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 18 19 Section 1. (1) The Agency for Health Care 20 Administration shall convene an interagency workgroup to study ways to establish the uniform requirements for background 21 22 screening of applicants for licensure, certification, or 23 registration of health care professionals and for owners, operators, and employees of health care providers, services, 24 25 and programs that are regulated by the agency and subject to 26 background-screening requirements. The workgroup shall review 27 chapter 435, Florida Statutes, and propose revisions to the list of criminal offenses, specify appropriate statutes of 28 29 limitation for offenses leading to disqualification, and identify additional civil actions that should be considered as 30 disqualifying. 31

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1	(2) The interagency workgroup shall, at a minimum,
2	include a representative of:
3	(a) The Office of Statewide Prosecution;
4	(b) The Attorney General;
5	(c) The Department of Children and Family Services;
6	(d) The Department of Health;
7	(e) The Department of Elderly Affairs;
8	(f) The Senate as appointed by the President of the
9	Senate; and
10	(g) The House of Representatives as appointed by the
11	Speaker of the House of Representatives.
12	(3) The workgroup shall complete its study and review
13	by November 1, 2001, and shall submit a report of its findings
14	and recommendations to the Governor, the President of the
15	Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by
16	December 1, 2001, after which, the workgroup is abolished.
17	Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 71 of chapter
18	98-171, Laws of Florida, is repealed.
19	Section 3. This act shall take effect June 1, 2001.
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21	STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
22	Senate Bill 688
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24	Adds three persons to the interagency workgroup: a representative from the Department of Health, a representative from the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate, and a representative from the House of Representatives
25	from the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate, and a representative from the House of Representatives
26	to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
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