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Senate House

Representative(s) Kottkamp offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendments)

Between lines 2090 and 2091, insert:

Section 34. Section 59.061, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

59.061 Legislative intent; appeal from nonfinal orders

based on claims or defenses arising under free speech or free

press clause of the First Amendment, s. 4, Art. I of the State Constitution, or chapter 770.--It is the intent of the

11 Legislature that a party has the right to appeal to the district 12 courts of appeal a nonfinal order denying a motion for summary

13 judgment based upon a claim against or defense by a party whose

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communication appears in or is published by the electronic or

print media, or a member of the electronic or print media,

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acting in such capacity, arising under the free speech or free press clause of the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, s. 1, Art. I, of the State Constitution, or chapter 770. Such summary judgment orders that may be appealed include, but are not limited to, orders addressing free speech or free press claims or defenses in actions for libel or slander, invasion of privacy, or any other tort founded upon a publication or broadcast.

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27 Between lines 209 and 210, insert:

creating s. 59.061, F.S.; relating to appeals of claims or defenses arising under free speech or free press clause of constitutions; providing legislative intent; specifying a right to appeal certain summary judgment orders;

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