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The Committee on Children and Families (Rich) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 28, between lines 20 and 21,

insert:

Section 5. Section 743.045, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

743.045 Removal of disabilities of minors; executing contracts for a residential lease.--For the sole purpose of ensuring that youth in foster care will be able to execute a contract for the lease of residential property in order that the youth may move into the leased residential property on the day of the youth's 18th birthday, the disability of nonage of minors is removed for all youth who have reached the age of 17 years, who have been adjudicated dependent, and who are in the legal custody of the Department of Children and Family Services through foster care or subsidized independent living. These youth are authorized to make and execute contracts, releases, and all other instruments necessary for the purpose

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1 of entering into a contract for the lease of residential
2 property upon the youth's 18th birthday. The contracts or
3 other instruments made by the youth shall have the same effect
4 as though they were the obligations of persons who were not
5 minors. Youth seeking to enter into such lease contracts or
6 execute other necessary instruments that are incidental to
7 entering into a lease must present an order from a court of
8 competent jurisdiction removing the disabilities of nonage of
9 the minor under this section.

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11 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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14 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

15 And the title is amended as follows:

16 On page 1, line 31, after the semicolon,

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18 insert:

19 creating s. 743.045, F.S.; removing the
20 disability of nonage for certain youth in the
21 legal custody of the Department of Children and
22 Family Services who are in foster care to
23 enable the youth to execute a contract for the
24 lease of residential property in order that the
25 youth may move into the leased residential
26 property on the day of the youth's 18th
27 birthday; providing specified eligibility
28 criteria; providing for the validity of the
29 contracts; requiring the youth to present an
30 order from a court of competent jurisdiction
31 removing the disability of nonage;