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Senators Garcia and Villalobos moved the following amendment:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

On page 8, line 28, through  
page 9, line 14, delete those lines

and insert:

(7) The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
Development shall notify the Department of Revenue of any  
facility certified as a facility for a new professional sports  
franchise or a facility for a retained professional sports  
franchise or as a facility for a retained spring training  
franchise. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
Development shall certify no more than nine ~~eight~~ facilities  
as facilities for a new professional sports franchise or as  
facilities for a retained professional sports franchise ~~and~~  
~~shall certify at least five as facilities for retained spring~~  
~~training franchises~~, including in such total any facilities  
certified by the Department of Commerce before July 1, 1996.  
The number of certifications of facilities for retained spring  
training franchises shall be pursuant to subsection (5). The

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1 office may make no more than one certification for any  
2 facility. The office may not certify funding for less than the  
3 requested amount to any applicant certified as a facility for  
4 a retained spring training franchise.

5 (9)(a) An applicant is not qualified for certification  
6 under this section if the franchise formed the basis for a  
7 previous certification, unless:

8 1. The previous certification was withdrawn by the  
9 facility or invalidated by the Office of Tourism, Trade, and  
10 Economic Development or the Department of Commerce before any  
11 funds were distributed pursuant to s. 212.20; ~~or-~~

12 2. The previous certification was for an applicant  
13 that served as the home facility for two professional sports  
14 franchises and the franchise was used as a basis for the  
15 certification of a new applicant. Notwithstanding any other  
16 provision of this section, the franchise continuing to use the  
17 original applicant shall be considered the franchise forming  
18 the basis of the previous certification and the previous  
19 certification shall continue to apply for the time period  
20 permitted from the original date of certification.

21 (b) This subsection does not disqualify an applicant  
22 if the previous certification occurred between May 23, 1993,  
23 and May 25, 1993; however, any funds to be distributed  
24 pursuant to s. 212.20 for the second certification shall be  
25 offset by the amount distributed to the previous certified  
26 facility. Distribution of funds for the second certification  
27 shall not be made until all amounts payable for the first  
28 certification have been distributed.

29 (c) Payments to a certified applicant may not extend  
30 beyond the period for which the original certification was  
31 issued.

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1           Section 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,  
2 an applicant that is certified after the effective date of  
3 this act pursuant to s. 288.1162, Florida Statutes, by the  
4 Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development as a  
5 facility for a new professional sports franchise or a facility  
6 for a retained professional sports franchise may not receive  
7 disbursements pursuant to s. 212.20(6)(d)7.b., Florida  
8 Statutes, until July 1, 2007.

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10 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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14 And the title is amended as follows:

15           On page 1, lines 15 through 17, delete those lines

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17 and insert:

18           evaluation criteria; clarifying the number of  
19           certifications of facilities for retained  
20           spring training franchises; increasing the  
21           number of facilities certified by the Office of  
22           Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development as  
23           facilities for a new professional sports  
24           franchise or as facilities for a retained  
25           professional sports franchise; providing an  
26           additional exception to disqualification for  
27           certification of an applicant when the  
28           franchise formed the basis of a previous  
29           certification; providing that payments to a  
30           certified applicant may not extend beyond the  
31           period for which the original certification was

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issued; specifying the date on which an  
applicant certified after the effective date of  
the act may receive disbursements; providing an  
effective date.