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The Committee on Transportation and Economic Development
Appropriations (Fasano) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 10, line 9

insert:

Section 4. Section 334.351, Florida Statutes, is
amended to read:

334.351 Youth work experience program; findings and
intent; authority to contract; limitation.--

(1) The Legislature finds and declares that young men
and women of the state should be given an opportunity to
obtain public service work and training experience that
protects and conserves the valuable resources of the state and
promotes participation in other community enhancement
projects. Notwithstanding the requirements of chapters 287 and
337, the Department of Transportation is authorized to
contract with public agencies and nonprofit organizations for
the performance of work related to the construction and
maintenance of transportation-related facilities by youths

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1 enrolled in youth work experience programs. The total amount
2 of contracts entered into by the department under this section
3 in any fiscal year may not exceed the amount specifically
4 appropriated by the Legislature for this program.

5 (2) Each nonprofit youth organization that provides
6 services under a contract with the department must certify
7 that each young person enrolled in its work experience program
8 is a resident of this state and possesses a valid Florida
9 driver's license or identification card.

10 (3) When selecting a nonprofit youth organization to
11 perform work on transportation-related facilities and before
12 awarding a contract under this section, the department must
13 consider the following criteria:

14 (a) The number of participants receiving
15 life-management skills training;

16 (b) The number of participants receiving high school
17 diplomas or GEDs;

18 (c) The number of participants receiving scholarships;

19 (d) The number of participants receiving bonuses;

20 (e) The number of participants who have secured
21 full-time jobs; and

22 (f) The other programs or services that support the
23 development of disadvantaged youths.

24 (4) Each nonprofit youth organization under contract
25 with the department must:

26 (a) Submit an annual report to the department by
27 January 1 of each year. The report must include, but need not
28 be limited to, the applicable performance of the organization
29 when measured by the criteria in subsection (3) for the
30 organization's most recently completed fiscal year.

31 (b) Submit an independent audit of the organization's

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1 financial records to the department each year. The
 2 organization's contract with the department must allow the
 3 department the right to inspect the organization's financial
 4 and program records.

5 (c) Demonstrate participation in a peer assessment or
 6 review process, such as the Excellence in Corps Operations of
 7 the National Association of Service and Conservation Corps.

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 9 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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13 And the title is amended as follows:

14 On page 1, line 23, after the first semi-colon

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16 and insert:

17 materials; amending s. 334.351, F.S.; requiring
 18 nonprofit youth organizations that contract
 19 with the Department of Transportation for the
 20 purpose of operating youth work experience
 21 programs to certify that the program
 22 participants are residents of the state and
 23 possess valid identification; specifying
 24 criteria for the department to consider in
 25 awarding contracts to such organizations;
 26 requiring that the nonprofit youth
 27 organizations submit certain reports and audits
 28 to the department and demonstrate participation
 29 in a peer assessment or review process;

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