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

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 15, between lines 5 and 6,

and insert:

Section 12. Subsection (3) of section 97.0575, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

97.0575 Third-party voter registrations.--

(3) A third-party voter registration organization that
collects voter registration applications serves as a fiduciary
to the applicant, ensuring that any voter registration
application entrusted to the third-party voter registration
organization, irrespective of party affiliation, race,
ethnicity, or gender shall be promptly delivered to the
division or the supervisor of elections. If a voter
registration application collected by any third-party voter
registration organization is not promptly delivered to the
division or supervisor of elections, the individual collecting
the voter registration application, the registered agent, and

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1 those individuals responsible for the day-to-day operation of
2 the third-party voter registration organization, including, if
3 applicable, the entity's board of directors, president, vice
4 president, managing partner, or such other individuals engaged
5 in similar duties or functions, shall be personally and
6 jointly and severally liable for the following fines:

7 (a) A fine in the amount of \$50 ~~\$250~~ for each
8 application received by the division or the supervisor of
9 elections more than 10 days after the applicant delivered the
10 completed voter registration application to the third-party
11 voter registration organization or any person, entity, or
12 agent acting on its behalf. A fine in the amount of \$250 for
13 each application received if the third-party registration
14 organization or person, entity, or agent acting on its behalf
15 acted willfully.

16 (b) A fine in the amount of \$100 ~~\$500~~ for each
17 application collected by a third-party voter registration
18 organization or any person, entity, or agent acting on its
19 behalf, prior to book closing for any given election for
20 federal or state office and received by the division or the
21 supervisor of elections after the book closing deadline for
22 such election. A fine in the amount of \$500 for each
23 application received if the third-party registration
24 organization or person, entity, or agent acting on its behalf
25 acted willfully.

26 (c) A fine in the amount of \$500 ~~\$5,000~~ for each
27 application collected by a third-party voter registration
28 organization or any person, entity, or agent acting on its
29 behalf, which is not submitted to the division or supervisor
30 of elections. A fine in the amount of \$2,500 for each
31 application received if the third-party registration

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1 organization or person, entity, or agent acting on its behalf
2 acted willfully.

3 (d) The fines provided in this subsection shall be
4 reduced by three-fourths in cases in which the third-party
5 voter registration organization has complied with subsection
6 (1). The secretary shall waive the fines provided in this
7 subsection if the third-party voter registration organization
8 shows that the failure to deliver the voter registration
9 application promptly is based on force majeure or
10 impossibility of performance.

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12 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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16 And the title is amended as follows:

17 On page 2, line 14, after the semicolon,
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19 insert:

20 amending s. 97.0575, F.S.; revising fines
21 imposed on third-party voter registration
22 organizations for failing to adhere to the
23 requirements for delivery of the voter
24 registration applications to the Division of
25 Elections or the supervisor of elections;