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Senate		House	
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The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs (Rich) recommended the following **amendment**:

## Senate Amendment

Delete line(s) 292-303

and insert:

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7 61.402 Qualifications of guardians ad litem.--A guardian 8 ad litem must be either a citizen certified by the Guardian Ad 9 Litem Program to act in family law cases, a citizen certified by 10 a not-for-profit legal aid organization as defined in s. 68.096(4), if there are no allegations of child abuse, neglect, 11 or abandonment, or an attorney who is a member in good standing 12 13 of The Florida Bar. Prior to certifying a guardian ad litem to be appointed under this chapter, the Guardian Ad Litem Program 14 15 must conduct a security background investigation as provided in

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- 16 s. 39.821. Prior to certifying a guardian ad litem to be
- 17 appointed under this chapter, a legal aid organization must
- 18 conduct a security background investigation as provided in s.
- 19 39.821 and may participate in the Volunteer and Employee
- 20 Criminal History System as authorized by the National Child
- 21 Protection Act of 1993 and s. 943.0542.