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1 Representative Planas offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Between lines 217 and 218, insert:

5 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section
6 27.40, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

7 27.40 Court-appointed counsel; circuit registries; minimum
8 requirements; appointment by court.--

9 (3) In utilizing a registry:

10 (a) The chief judge of the circuit shall compile a list of
11 attorneys in private practice, by county and by category of
12 cases, and provide the list to the clerk of court in each
13 county. From October 1, 2005, through September 30, 2009 ~~2007~~,
14 the list of attorneys compiled by the Eleventh Judicial Circuit
15 shall provide the race, gender, and national origin of assigned
16 attorneys. To be included on a registry, attorneys shall certify

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17 that they meet any minimum requirements established in general
18 law for court appointment, are available to represent indigent
19 defendants in cases requiring court appointment of private
20 counsel, and are willing to abide by the terms of the contract
21 for services. To be included on a registry, an attorney also
22 must enter into a contract for services with the Justice
23 Administrative Commission. Failure to comply with the terms of
24 the contract for services may result in termination of the
25 contract and removal from the registry. Each attorney on the
26 registry shall be responsible for notifying the clerk of the
27 court and the Justice Administrative Commission of any change in
28 his or her status. Failure to comply with this requirement shall
29 be cause for termination of the contract for services and
30 removal from the registry until the requirement is fulfilled.

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Remove line 3 and insert:

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amending s. 27.40, F.S.; revising provisions relating to a

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registry of attorneys in the Eleventh Judicial Circuit; amending

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s. 27.51, F.S.; removing reference to a specific