

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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Representative Dorworth offered the following:

Amendment to Amendment (069089) (with title amendment)

Between lines 102 and 103, insert:

Section 5. Section 100.372, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

100.372 Paid petition circulators.--

(1) DEFINITIONS.--For purposes of this section:

(a) "Department" means the Department of State.

(b) "Initiative sponsor" means the political committee registered pursuant to s. 106.03 that has submitted the text of a proposed amendment to the Secretary of State.

(c) "Paid petition circulator" means a petition circulator who receives compensation or other valuable consideration as a direct or indirect consequence of engaging in the activities described in paragraph (d), other than for the reimbursement of

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17 legitimate out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the petition
18 circulator in the ordinary course of these activities, as
19 specified by rule of the department.

20 (d) "Petition circulator" means a person who, in the
21 context of a direct, face-to-face interaction, presents to
22 another person for his or her possible signature an initiative
23 petition form.

24 (e) "Registrant" means a person who is registered with the
25 department as a paid petition circulator.

26 (2) PROHIBITION ON UNREGISTERED PAID PETITION
27 CIRCULATING.--A person may not engage in any activities as a
28 paid petition circulator in this state without first registering
29 with the department. A person or entity may not provide
30 compensation or other valuable consideration as a direct or
31 indirect consequence of the activities described in paragraph
32 (1)(d) to a petition circulator who is not registered with the
33 department as a paid petition circulator.

34 (3) REGISTRATION FOR PAID PETITION CIRCULATORS;
35 REQUIREMENTS.--

36 (a) A person may apply to the department for the
37 registration required under subsection (2). The application must
38 include:

- 39 1. The full name and any assumed name of the applicant.
- 40 2. The residential street address of the applicant.
- 41 3. The signature of the applicant.
- 42 4. Identification of the initiative petitions that the
43 applicant will be circulating.

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44 5. The name, street address, and telephone number of the
45 person or entity from which the applicant will receive
46 compensation as a direct or indirect consequence of the
47 activities described in paragraph (1)(d).

48 (b) If an applicant provides the information identified in
49 paragraph (a), the department shall register the applicant and
50 assign the registrant a registration number no later than 5
51 business days after the date on which the completed application
52 is received. As a condition of registration, the registrant
53 shall notify the department in writing of any change in the
54 information submitted pursuant to this subsection within 10
55 business days after such change.

56 (4) REQUIREMENTS FOR INITIATIVE PETITION FORMS.--Every
57 initiative petition form presented by a registrant to a person
58 for his or her possible signature must contain the registrant's
59 registration number as issued by the department.

60 (5) RULEMAKING.--The Department of State shall adopt rules
61 pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to administer this
62 section, including the adoption of a registration fee necessary
63 to cover the department's cost of registration. Funds collected
64 from registrants shall be deposited in the Grants and Donations
65 Trust Fund of the Department of State.

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68 Remove line 320 and insert:

69 petition form; creating s. 100.372, F.S.; providing
70 definitions; requiring registration of paid petition
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72 circulators and prohibiting the payment of compensation to
73 those not properly registered; providing application
74 requirements; requiring registration numbers to appear on
75 certain forms; requiring the department to adopt rules;
76 providing for a registration fee; providing for
77 disposition of funds; amending s. 101.64, F.S.;
78 prohibiting a

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