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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
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The Committee on Judiciary (Fasano) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with directory and title amendments)

Between lines 15 and 16
insert:

(5) A presiding judge may, in his or her discretion, excuse a practicing attorney, a practicing physician, a practicing psychologist, or a person who is physically infirm from jury service, except that no person shall be excused from service on a civil trial jury solely on the basis that the person is deaf or hearing impaired, if that person wishes to serve, unless the presiding judge makes a finding that consideration of the evidence to be presented requires auditory discrimination or that the timely progression of the trial will be considerably



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14 affected thereby. However, nothing in this subsection shall
15 affect a litigant's right to exercise a peremptory challenge.

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17 ===== D I R E C T O R Y C L A U S E A M E N D M E N T =====

18 And the directory clause is amended as follows:

19 Delete lines 9 - 10

20 and insert:

21 Section 1. Subsections (4) and (5) of section 40.013,
22 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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24 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

25 And the title is amended as follows:

26 Delete line 4

27 and insert:

28 excused from jury service; authorizing a presiding
29 judge to excuse a practicing psychologist from jury
30 service; providing an effective