

The Florida Senate
HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY

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INTRODUCER: Judiciary Committee; Civil Justice Subcommittee; and Rep. Stube (Judiciary Committee and Senator Soto)

SUBJECT: Family Law

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I. Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment 1 - 517221 to Senate Amendment 1 202426 (body)

II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:

Under the amendment, a person who is not lawfully present in this country must satisfy additional or revised conditions to be eligible for admission to The Florida Bar.

Under the Senate amendment, a person who is not lawfully present in this country and who seeks admission to The Florida Bar must:

- Have been brought to this country as a minor,
- Be a resident of this state for more than 10 years, and
- Fulfill all the requirements for admission to practice law in this state.

Under the House amendment, the person seeking admission to The Florida Bar must also:

- Receive documented employment authorization from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services,
- Have a social security number, and
- If male, be registered with the Selective Service System if required to do so.

Additionally, the House amendment replaces the provision requiring residency in this state for 10 years with a requirement that the person was present in this country for 10 years.