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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
03/13/2014	.	
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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability
(Simmons) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 30 - 79

and insert:

~~charge~~. If there is a specified size and placement required for
a printed legal notice, the size and placement of the notice on
the newspaper's website must ~~should~~ optimize its online
visibility in keeping with the print requirements. The
newspaper's web pages that contain legal notices must ~~shall~~
present the legal notices as the dominant and leading subject



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11 matter of those pages. The newspaper's website must ~~shall~~
12 contain a search function to facilitate searching the legal
13 notices. A fee may not be charged, and registration may not be
14 required, for viewing or searching legal notices on a
15 newspaper's website if the legal notice is published in a
16 newspaper ~~This subsection shall take effect July 1, 2013.~~

17 (3) (a) If a legal notice is published in a newspaper, the
18 newspaper publishing the notice shall place the notice on the
19 statewide website established and maintained as an initiative of
20 the Florida Press Association as a repository for such notices
21 located at the following address: www.floridapublicnotices.com.

22 (b) A legal notice placed on the statewide website created
23 under this subsection must be:

- 24 1. Accessible and searchable by party name and case number.
25 2. Posted for a period of at least 90 consecutive days
26 after the first day of posting.

27 (c) The statewide website created under this subsection
28 shall maintain a searchable archive of all legal notices posted
29 on the publicly accessible website on or after October 1, 2014,
30 for 18 months after the first day of posting. Such searchable
31 archive shall be provided and accessible to the general public
32 without charge.

33 (4) Newspapers that publish legal notices shall, upon
34 request, provide e-mail notification of new legal notices when
35 they are printed in the newspaper and added to the newspaper's
36 website. Such e-mail notification shall be provided without
37 charge, and notification for such an e-mail registry shall be
38 available on the front page of the legal notices section of the
39 newspaper's website. ~~This subsection shall take effect July 1,~~



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40 ~~2013.~~

41 ~~(5) An error in the notice placed on the newspaper or~~
42 ~~statewide~~

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

45 And the title is amended as follows:

46 Delete lines 3 - 12

47 and insert:

48 F.S.; requiring legal notices to be posted on a
49 newspaper's website on web pages with specified
50 titles; prohibiting charging a fee or requiring
51 registration for viewing online legal notices;
52 establishing the period for which legal notices are
53 required to be published on the statewide website;
54 requiring that legal notices be archived on the
55 statewide website for a specified period; deleting a
56 provision relating to harmless error; amending s.
57 50.061, F.S.; clarifying