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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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Senator Simmons moved the following:
Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
Delete lines 145 - 375
and insert:
(2) To the extent that, at law or in equity, a member,
Manager, or other person has duties, including fiduciary duties,
to a limited liability company or to another member or manager

8 or to another person that is a party to or is otherwise bound by

9 <u>an operating agreement, the duties of the member, manager, or</u> 10 other person may be restricted, expanded, or eliminated,

11 including in the determination of applicable duties and

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12	obligations under this chapter, by the operating agreement, to
13	the extent allowed by s. 605.0105.
14	(3) Unless displaced by particular provisions of this
15	chapter, the principles of law and equity, including the common
16	law principles relating to the fiduciary duties of loyalty and
17	care, supplement this chapter.
18	Section 4. Subsection (4) of section 605.04073, Florida
19	Statutes, is amended to read:
20	605.04073 Voting rights of members and managers
21	(4) An action requiring the vote or consent of members
22	under this chapter may be taken without a meeting <u>if the action</u>
23	is approved in a record by members with at least the minimum
24	number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take the
25	action at a meeting of the members., and A member may appoint a
26	proxy or other agent to vote or consent for the member by
27	signing an appointing record, personally or by the member's
28	agent. On an action taken by fewer than all of the members
29	without a meeting, notice of the action must be given to those
30	members who did not consent in writing to the action or who were
31	not entitled to vote on the action within 10 days after the
32	action was taken.
33	Section 5. Subsections (2) and (3) of section 605.04091,
34	Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
35	605.04091 Standards of conduct for members and managers
36	(2) The duty of loyalty <u>includes</u> <del>is limited to</del> :
37	(a) Accounting to the limited liability company and holding
38	as trustee for it any property, profit, or benefit derived by
39	the manager or member, as applicable:
40	1. In the conduct or winding up of the company's activities

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41 and affairs;

42 2. From the use by the member or manager of the company's43 property; or

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3. From the appropriation of a company opportunity;

(b) Refraining from dealing with the company in the conduct or winding up of the company's activities and affairs as, or on behalf of, a person having an interest adverse to the company, except to the extent that a transaction satisfies the requirements of this section; and

50 (c) Refraining from competing with the company in the 51 conduct of the company's activities and affairs before the 52 dissolution of the company.

(3) The duty of care in the conduct or winding up of the company's activities and affairs is <del>limited</del> to <u>refrain</u> <del>refraining</del> from engaging in grossly negligent or reckless conduct, willful or intentional misconduct, or a knowing violation of law.

Section 6. Subsection (2), paragraph (a) of subsection (3), and subsection (4) of section 605.0410, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

605.0410 Records to be kept; rights of member, manager, and person dissociated to information.-

63 (2) In a member-managed limited liability company, the64 following rules apply:

(a) Upon reasonable notice, a member may inspect and copy
during regular business hours, at a reasonable location
specified by the company:

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1. The records described in subsection (1); and

2. Each other record maintained by the company regarding

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70 the company's activities, affairs, financial condition, and 71 other circumstances, to the extent the information is material 72 to the member's rights and duties under the operating agreement 73 or this chapter.

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(b) The company shall furnish to each member:

1. Without demand, any information concerning the company's activities, affairs, financial condition, and other circumstances that the company knows and is material to the proper exercise of the member's rights and duties under the operating agreement or this chapter, except to the extent the company can establish that it reasonably believes the member already knows the information; and

2. On demand, other information concerning the company's activities, affairs, financial condition, and other circumstances, except to the extent the demand or information demanded is unreasonable or otherwise improper under the circumstances.

(c) Within 10 days after receiving a demand pursuant to subparagraph (b)2., the company shall provide to the member who made the demand a record of:

1. The information that the company will provide in response to the demand and when and where the company will provide such information.

2. For any demanded information that the company is not providing, the reasons that the company will not provide the information.

(d) (c) The duty to furnish information under this subsection also applies to each member to the extent the member knows any of the information described in this subsection.

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99 (3) In a manager-managed limited liability company, the 100 following rules apply: 101 (a) The informational rights stated in subsection (2) and 102 the duty stated in paragraph (2)(d)  $\frac{(2)(c)}{(c)}$  apply to the managers 103 and not to the members. 104 (4) Subject to subsection (10) (9), on 10 days' demand made 105 in a record received by a limited liability company, a person 106 dissociated as a member may have access to information to which 107 the person was entitled while a member if: 108 (a) The information pertains to the period during which the 109 person was a member; 110 (b) The person seeks the information in good faith; and 111 (c) The person satisfies the requirements imposed on a 112 member by paragraph (3)(b). 113 Section 7. Subsection (6) of section 605.0602, Florida 114 Statutes, is amended to read: 115 605.0602 Events causing dissociation.-A person is 116 dissociated as a member if any of the following occur: 117 (6) On application by the company or a member in a direct 118 action under s. 605.0801, the person is expelled as a member by 119 judicial order because the person: (a) Has engaged or is engaging in wrongful conduct that has 120 121 affected adversely and materially, or will affect adversely and 122 materially, the company's activities and affairs; 123 (b) Has committed willfully or persistently, or is 124 committing willfully or and persistently, a material breach of 125 the operating agreement or a duty or obligation under s. 126 605.04091; or 127 (c) Has engaged or is engaging in conduct relating to the

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128 company's activities and affairs which makes it not reasonably 129 practicable to carry on the activities and affairs with the 130 person as a member.

Section 8. Section 605.0715, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

605.0715 Reinstatement.-

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134 (1) A limited liability company that is administratively 135 dissolved under s. 605.0714 or former s. 608.4481 may apply to the department for reinstatement at any time after the effective 136 137 date of dissolution. The company must submit a form of 138 application for reinstatement prescribed and furnished by the 139 department and provide all of the information required by the 140 department, together with all fees and penalties then owed by 141 the company at the rates provided by law at the time the company 142 applies for reinstatement together with an application for reinstatement prescribed and furnished by the department, which 143 144 is signed by both the registered agent and an authorized 145 representative of the company and states: 146 (a) The name of the limited liability company. 147 (b) The street address of the company's principal office 148 and mailing address.

(c) The date of the company's organization.

(d) The company's federal employer identification number or, if none, whether one has been applied for.

(e) The name, title or capacity, and address of at least one person who has authority to manage the company.

(f) Additional information that is necessary or appropriate to enable the department to carry out this chapter.

(2) In lieu of the requirement to file an application for

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157 reinstatement as described in subsection (1), an 158 administratively dissolved limited liability company may submit all fees and penalties owed by the company at the rates provided 159 160 by law at the time the company applies for reinstatement, 161 together with a current annual report, signed by both the 162 registered agent and an authorized representative of the company, which contains the information described in subsection 163 164 (1). 165 (3) (2) If the department determines that an application for 166 reinstatement contains the information required under subsection 167 (1) or subsection (2) and that the information is correct, upon 168 payment of all required fees and penalties, the department shall 169 reinstate the limited liability company. 170 (4) (3) When reinstatement under this section becomes 171 effective: 172 (a) The reinstatement relates back to and takes effect as of the effective date of the administrative dissolution. 173 174 (b) The limited liability company may resume its activities and affairs as if the administrative dissolution had not 175 176 occurred. 177 (c) The rights of a person arising out of an act or 178 omission in reliance on the dissolution before the person knew 179 or had notice of the reinstatement are not affected. 180 (5) (4) The name of the dissolved limited liability company 181 is not available for assumption or use by another business 182 entity until 1 year after the effective date of dissolution 183 unless the dissolved limited liability company provides the 184 department with a record executed as required pursuant to s. 605.0203 permitting the immediate assumption or use of the name 185 Page 7 of 11

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186	by another limited liability company.
187	Section 9. Section 605.0909, Florida Statutes, is amended
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189	605.0909 Reinstatement following revocation of certificate
190	of authority
191	(1) A foreign limited liability company whose certificate
192	of authority has been revoked may apply to the department for
193	reinstatement at any time after the effective date of the
194	revocation. The foreign limited liability company applying for
195	reinstatement must <u>submit</u> provide information in a form
196	prescribed and furnished by the department and pay all fees and
197	penalties then owed by the foreign limited liability company at
198	rates provided by law at the time the foreign limited liability
199	company applies for reinstatement together with an application
200	for reinstatement prescribed and furnished by the department,
201	which is signed by both the registered agent and an authorized
202	representative of the company and states:
203	(a) The name under which the foreign limited liability
204	company is registered to transact business in this state.
205	(b) The street address of the company's principal office
206	and its mailing address.
207	(c) The jurisdiction of the company's formation and the
208	date on which it became qualified to transact business in this
209	state.
210	(d) The company's federal employer identification number
211	or, if none, whether one has been applied for.
212	(e) The name, title or capacity, and address of at least
213	one person who has authority to manage the company.
214	(f) Additional information that is necessary or appropriate

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215 to enable the department to carry out this chapter.

(2) In lieu of the requirement to file an application for reinstatement as described in subsection (1), a foreign limited liability company whose certificate of authority has been revoked may submit all fees and penalties owed by the company at the rates provided by law at the time the company applies for reinstatement, together with a current annual report, signed by both the registered agent and an authorized representative of the company, which contains the information described in subsection (1).

(3) (2) If the department determines that an application for reinstatement contains the information required under subsection (1) or subsection (2) and that the information is correct, upon payment of all required fees and penalties, the department shall reinstate the foreign limited liability company's certificate of authority.

(4) (3) When a reinstatement becomes effective, it relates 232 back to and takes effect as of the effective date of the 233 revocation of authority and the foreign limited liability company may resume its activities in this state as if the 235 revocation of authority had not occurred.

236 (5) (4) The name of the foreign limited liability company 237 whose certificate of authority has been revoked is not available 2.38 for assumption or use by another business entity until 1 year 239 after the effective date of revocation of authority unless the 240 limited liability company provides the department with a record 241 executed pursuant to s. 605.0203 which authorizes the immediate 242 assumption or use of its name by another limited liability 243 company.

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244	(6) (5) If the name of the foreign limited liability company
245	applying for reinstatement has been lawfully assumed in this
246	state by another business entity, the department shall require
247	the foreign limited liability company to comply with s. 605.0906
248	before accepting its application for reinstatement.
249	Section 10. Subsection (2) of section 605.1072, Florida
250	Statutes, is amended to read:
251	605.1072 Other remedies limited
252	(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to an appraisal event
253	that:
254	(a) Was not authorized and approved in accordance with the
255	applicable provisions of this chapter, the organic rules of the
256	limited liability company, or the resolutions of the members
257	authorizing the appraisal event; or
258	(b) Was procured as a result of fraud, a material
259	misrepresentation, or an omission of a material fact that is
260	necessary to make statements made, in light of the circumstances
261	in which they were made, not misleading. <del>; or</del>
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263	=========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =================================
264	And the title is amended as follows:
265	Delete lines 18 - 31
266	and insert:
267	that the duties of the member, manager, or other
268	person may be restricted, expanded, or eliminated in
269	certain circumstances; amending s. 605.04073, F.S.;
270	requiring certain conditions for members of a limited
271	liability company, without a meeting, to take certain
272	actions requiring the vote or consent of the members;
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273 amending s. 605.04091, F.S.; providing that the duty 274 of loyalty includes, but is not limited to, specified actions; revising the duty of care in the conduct or 275 276 winding up of the company's activities and affairs; 277 amending s. 605.0410, F.S.; requiring a limited 278 liability company to provide a record of certain 279 information within a specified period to a member who 280 makes a demand; amending s. 605.0602, F.S.; revising 2.81 the events that cause a person to be dissociated as a 282 member; amending s. 605.0715, F.S.; revising