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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Fiscal Policy (Sachs) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 21 - 49

and insert:

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WHEREAS, the ambulance broadsided the passenger side of the car in which Angela Sanford was traveling and struck the passenger side door at a speed in excess of 40 miles per hour, and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Hunter failed to operate his ambulance in a 10 reasonably safe manner and conducted himself in direct violation

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11 of the Leon County Emergency Medical Services Standard Operating 12 Guidelines, which specifically requires all emergency vehicles 13 to come to a full and complete stop at a red light, and

WHEREAS, although Mr. Hunter later claimed that the light was yellow, the video from the ambulance's onboard camera clearly showed that the light was red for the entire 8 seconds of the video, and

WHEREAS, the investigation conducted by the Leon County Sheriff's Office concluded that Mr. Hunter was the sole person at fault in the accident, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hunter also admitted, and the evidence showed, that fences, trees, and buildings at the corner of the intersection blocked the other driver's view of the ambulance as it approached the intersection, and

25 WHEREAS, as a result of the crash, Angela Sanford sustained 26 life-threatening injuries that left her in a coma, including a 27 traumatic brain bleed that resulted in permanent cognitive and 28 depressive disorders, a lacerated liver, a ruptured bladder, a 29 cranial nerve injury resulting in permanent double vision, a 30 fractured pelvis requiring hardware insertion, a fractured 31 clavicle requiring hardware insertion, bilateral hip socket 32 fractures requiring hardware insertion, a fractured knee, a 33 fractured shoulder blade, thirteen fractured ribs, permanent

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