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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Appropriations (Rouson) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 413 - 449
and insert:

1. The department, community based care lead agencies, sheriff offices and their contracted providers shall report all allegations of suspected or known violations of ethical or professional misconduct standards to the department approved third party credentialing entity, including all allegations made to the departments Office of Inspector General on certified



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11 personnel.

12 2. The department shall review all case records involving
13 death of a child or other critical incident that is subject to a
14 Critical Incident Rapid Response Team review to ensure
15 compliance with ethical and professional conduct requirements of
16 any certified child welfare professional staff.

17 3. The department shall provide any reports to the third-
18 party credentialing entity that indicate that ethical or
19 professional conduct requirements were not met so that the
20 credentialing entity may determine if the individual's
21 certification requires suspension or revocation.

22 4. If it is determined that the individual's certification
23 requires suspension or revocation the department or employer of
24 the certified staff must immediately remove the individual from
25 their duties that require certification as a condition of
26 employment.

27 5. Any decision by a department approved credentialing
28 entity to deny, revoke, or suspend a certification, or otherwise
29 impose sanctions on an individual who is certified, is
30 reviewable by the department. Upon receiving an adverse
31 determination, the person aggrieved may request an
32 administrative hearing pursuant to ss. 120.569 and 120.57(1)
33 within 30 days after completing any appeals process offered by
34 the credentialing entity or the department, as applicable.

35 6. The third-party credentialing entity shall track and
36 report compliance with this subsection to the department.

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