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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Senator Powell moved the following:

1           **Senate Amendment to House Amendment (107453) (with title**  
2 **amendment)**

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4           Before line 1175

5 insert:

6           Section 29. Present subsections (2), (3), and (4) of  
7 section 106.19, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as  
8 subsections (3), (4), and (5), respectively, present subsection  
9 (2) is amended, and a new subsection (2) is added to that  
10 section, to read:

11           106.19 Violations by candidates, persons connected with



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12 campaigns, and political committees.-

13 (2) Any candidate; campaign manager, campaign treasurer, or  
14 deputy treasurer of any candidate; committee chair, vice chair,  
15 campaign treasurer, deputy treasurer, or other officer of any  
16 political committee; agent or person acting on behalf of any  
17 candidate, political committee, or political party; or other  
18 person who knowingly and willfully:

19 (a) Solicits, influences, or induces any individual to file  
20 as a candidate whom does not use her or his best efforts and  
21 skill or does not strive earnestly to win election or does not  
22 use, or is prevented from using, her or his best efforts and  
23 skill as a result of coercion, bribery, duress, threats, reward  
24 or promise thereof, physical incapacity or disability,  
25 suggestion or agreement, or any other improper or unlawful  
26 means; or

27 (b) Acts on behalf of any individual who files as a  
28 candidate whom does not use her or his best efforts and skill or  
29 does not strive earnestly to win election or does not use, or is  
30 prevented from using, her or his best efforts and skill as a  
31 result of coercion, bribery, duress, threats, reward or promise  
32 thereof, physical incapacity or disability, suggestion or  
33 agreement, or any other improper or unlawful means;

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35 is guilty of a felony of the third degree, punishable as  
36 provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

37 (3)~~(2)~~ Any candidate, campaign treasurer, or deputy  
38 treasurer; any chair, vice chair, or other officer of any  
39 political committee; any agent or person acting on behalf of any  
40 candidate, ~~or~~ political committee, or political party; or any



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41 other person who violates paragraph (1)(a), paragraph (1)(b), ~~or~~  
42 paragraph (1)(d), or subsection (2) shall be subject to a civil  
43 penalty equal to three times the amount involved in the illegal  
44 act. Such penalty may be in addition to the penalties provided  
45 by subsection (1) or subsection (2) and shall be paid into the  
46 General Revenue Fund of this state.

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

49 And the title is amended as follows:

50       Between lines 1312 and 1313

51 insert:

52       amending s. 106.19, F.S.; prohibiting certain persons  
53       from soliciting, influencing, or inducing a certain  
54       individual to file as a candidate for office or from  
55       acting on behalf of such persons; providing civil and  
56       criminal penalties;