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Representative Gregory offered the following:

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Amendment (with directory and title amendments)

Between lines 52 and 53, insert:

(2) The prosecuting authority must respond to the petition within 30 days. If the prosecuting authority moved to vacate the person's conviction and sentence in the original sentencing court, or otherwise did not object to the original sentencing court vacating the person's conviction and sentence, the prosecuting authority must petition the Governor within 15 days after the filing of a petition under subsection (1) to appoint a prosecuting authority from another judicial circuit to be substituted as the prosecuting authority for the purposes of

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complying with the requirements of this section. Within 10 days
after the filing of a petition under this subsection, the
Governor must appoint a substitute prosecuting authority who is
responsible for complying with the requirements of this section.
If a petition is filed under this subsection, the time period in
which the prosecuting authority must respond to a petition filed
under subsection (1) is tolled until the date the Governor
appoints a substitute prosecuting authority. The prosecuting
authority may respond:

- (a) By certifying to the court that, based upon the petition and verifiable and substantial evidence of actual innocence, no further criminal proceedings in the case at bar can or will be initiated by the prosecuting authority, that no questions of fact remain as to the petitioner's wrongful incarceration, and that the petitioner is not ineligible from seeking compensation under the provisions of s. 961.04; or
- (b) By contesting the nature, significance, or effect of the evidence of actual innocence, the facts related to the petitioner's alleged wrongful incarceration, or whether the petitioner is ineligible from seeking compensation under the provisions of s. 961.04.

DIRECTORY AMENDMENT

Remove lines 22-24 and insert:

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Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and subsection (2) of section 961.03, Florida Statutes, are amended, and paragraph (c) is added to subsection (1) of that section, to read:

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TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove line 8 and insert:

have standing to file such a petition; requiring the prosecuting authority to petition the Governor to appoint a substitute prosecuting authority under certain circumstances; amending s.

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