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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House . Comm: RCS 03/28/2023 The Committee on Appropriations (Perry) recommended the following: Senate Amendment (with title amendment) Delete lines 126 - 136 and insert: Section 5. Section 1012.976, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1012.976 Remuneration of state university employees; limitations.-(1) DEFINITIONS.-As used in this section, the term: (a) "Appropriated state funds" means funds appropriated

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11 from the General Revenue Fund or funds appropriated from state 12 trust funds. 13 (b) "Cash-equivalent compensation" means any benefit that 14 may be assigned an equivalent cash value. 15 (b) "Public funds" means funds appropriated from the 16 General Revenue Fund, funds appropriated from state trust funds, 17 or tuition and fees. 18 (c) "Remuneration" means salary, bonuses, and cash-19 equivalent compensation paid to a state university employee by his or her employer for work performed, excluding health 20 21 insurance benefits and retirement benefits. 22 (2) LIMITATION ON COMPENSATION.-Notwithstanding any other 23 law, resolution, or rule to the contrary, a state university 24 employee may not receive more than \$250,000 \$200,000 in 25 remuneration annually from public appropriated state funds. Only 26 compensation, as such term is defined in s. 121.021(22), 27 provided to a state university employee may be used in 28 calculating benefits under chapter 121. 29 (3) EXCEPTIONS.-This section does not prohibit any party 30 from providing cash or cash-equivalent compensation from funds 31 that are not public appropriated state funds to a state 32 university employee in excess of the limit in subsection (2). If 33 a party is unable or unwilling to fulfill an obligation to 34 provide cash or cash-equivalent compensation to a state 35 university employee as permitted under this subsection, public 36 appropriated state funds may not be used to fulfill such 37 obligation. This section does not apply to university teaching 38 faculty in instructional programs classified as Computer 39 Information Sciences and Support Services; Engineering;

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| 40 | Engineering Technologies and Engineering-Related Fields; Florida         |
| 41 | Mental Health Institute; Health Professions and Related                  |
| 42 | Programs; Homeland Security, Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and          |
| 43 | Related Fields; Mathematics; Nursing; or Physical Sciences; or           |
| 44 | to medical school faculty or staff.                                      |
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| 46 | ========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ================================= |
| 47 | And the title is amended as follows:                                     |
| 48 | Delete line 14   |
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| 50 | respectively; amending s. 1012.976, F.S.; revising                       |
| 51 | definitions; defining the term "public funds";                           |
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