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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION (Y/N) ADOPTED (Y/N) ADOPTED AS AMENDED ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION (Y/N) (Y/N) FAILED TO ADOPT WITHDRAWN (Y/N) OTHER Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Health & Human Services 1 2 Committee 3 Representative Silvers offered the following: 4 5 Amendment (with title amendment) 6 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert: 7 Section 1. Section 415.10341, Florida Statutes, is created 8 to read: 9 415.10341 Protection of specified adults.-10 (1) As used in this section, the term: (a) "Financial exploitation" means the wrongful or 11 unauthorized taking, withholding, appropriation, or use of 12 money, assets, or property of an adult individual; or any act or 13 omission by a person, including through the use of a power of 14 15 attorney, guardianship, or conservatorship of an individual, to: 600963 - h0515-strike all.docx Published On: 2/21/2024 9:15:23 PM Page 1 of 6

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16	1. Obtain control over the individual's money, assets, or
17	property through deception, intimidation, or undue influence to
18	deprive him or her of the ownership, use, benefit, or possession
19	of the money, assets, or property; or
20	2. Divert the individual's money, assets, or property to
21	deprive him or her of the ownership, use, benefit, or possession
22	of the money, assets, or property.
23	(b) "Financial institution" means a state financial
24	institution or a federal financial institution as those terms
25	are defined under s. 655.005(1).
26	(c) "Trusted contact" means a natural person 18 years of
27	age or older whom the account owner has expressly identified and
28	recorded in a financial institution's books and records as the
29	person who may be contacted about the account.
30	(2) If a financial institution reports suspected financial
31	exploitation of an individual pursuant to s. 415.1034, it may
32	delay a disbursement or transaction from an account of the
33	individual or an account for which the individual is a
34	beneficiary or beneficial owner if all of the following apply:
35	(a) The financial institution immediately initiates an
36	internal review of the facts and circumstances that caused an
37	employee of the financial institution to report suspected
38	financial exploitation.
39	(b) Not later than 3 business days after the date on which
40	the delay was first placed, the financial institution:
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41	1. Notifies in writing all parties authorized to transact
42	business on the account and any trusted contact on the account,
43	using the contact information provided for the account, with the
44	exception of any party an employee of the financial institution
45	reasonably believes has engaged in, is engaging in, has
46	attempted to engage in, or will attempt to engage in the
47	suspected financial exploitation of the individual. The notice,
48	which may be provided electronically, must provide the reason
49	for the delay.
50	2. Creates and maintains a written or electronic record of
51	the delayed disbursement or transaction that includes, at
52	minimum, the following information:
53	a. The date on which the delay was first placed.
54	b. The name and address of the individual.
55	c. The business location of the financial institution.
56	d. The name and title of the employee who reported
57	suspected financial exploitation of the individual pursuant to
58	<u>s. 415.1034.</u>
59	e. The facts and circumstances that caused the employee to
60	report suspected financial exploitation.
61	(3) The financial institution must maintain for at least 5
62	years after the date of a delayed disbursement or transaction a
63	written or electronic record of the information required by s.
64	415.10341(2)2.
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65	(4) A delay on a disbursement or transaction under
66	subsection (2) expires 5 business days after the date on which
67	the delay was first placed. However, the financial institution
68	may extend the delay for up to 7 additional calendar days if the
69	financial institution's review of the available facts and
70	circumstances continues to support the reasonable belief that
71	financial exploitation of the individual has occurred, is
72	occurring, has been attempted, or will be attempted. The length
73	of the delay may be shortened or extended at any time by a court
74	of competent jurisdiction. This subsection does not prevent a
75	financial institution from terminating a delay after
76	communication with the parties authorized to transact business
77	on the account and any trusted contact on the account.
78	(5) Before placing a delay on a disbursement or
79	transaction pursuant to this section, a financial institution
80	must do all of the following:
81	(a) Develop training policies or programs reasonably
82	designed to educate employees on issues pertaining to financial
83	exploitation of individuals.
84	(b) Conduct training for all employees at least annually
85	and maintain a written record of all trainings conducted.
86	(c) Develop, maintain, and enforce written procedures
87	regarding the manner in which suspected financial exploitation
88	is reviewed internally, including, if applicable, the manner in
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89	which suspected financial exploitation is required to be	
90	reported to supervisory personnel.	
91	(6) Absent a reasonable belief of financial exploitation	
92	as provided in this section, this section does not otherwise	
93	alter a financial institution's obligations to all parties	
94	authorized to transact business on an account and any trusted	
95	contact named on such account.	
96	(7) This section does not create new rights for or impose	
97	new obligations on a financial institution under other	
98	applicable law.	
99	Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.	
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102	TITLE AMENDMENT	
103	Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:	
104	An Act relating to protection of specified adults; creating s.	
105	415.10341, F.S.; defining terms; authorizing financial	
106	institutions, under certain circumstances, to delay a	
107	disbursement or transaction from an account of an individual;	
108	specifying that a delay on a disbursement or transaction expires	
109	on a certain date; authorizing the financial institution to	
110	extend the delay under certain circumstances; authorizing a	
111	court of competent jurisdiction to shorten or extend the delay;	
112	providing construction; requiring financial institutions to take	
113	certain actions before placing a delay on a disbursement or	
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114 transaction; providing construction; providing an effective
115 date.

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