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LEGISLATIVE ACTION .

Senate Comm: RCS 04/22/2025 House

The Committee on Rules (Calatayud) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 397 and 398

insert:

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Section 1. Section 1004.98, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1004.89 Institute for Freedom in the Americas.-

(1) The Institute for Freedom in the Americas is hereby created at Miami Dade College to preserve the ideals of a free society and promote democracy in the Americas. The institute 10 shall be located at the Freedom Tower and shall:

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12 (1) (a) Partner with the Adam Smith Center for Economic 13 Freedom to Hold workshops, symposiums, and conferences that provide networking opportunities for leaders throughout the 14 15 region to gain new insights and ideas for promoting democracy, 16 including knowledge of and insight into the intellectual, 17 political, and economic freedoms that are foundational to a 18 democratic society. 19 (2) (b) Enter into an agreement with the Adam Smith Center 20 for Economic Freedom to provide participants with academic 21 coursework and programs that advance democratic practices and 22 economic and legal reforms. 23 (3) (c) Provide educational and experiential opportunities 24 for regional leaders committed to careers in democracy and 25 governance. 26 (2) Miami Dade College, in accordance with s. 1004.70, 27 shall approve a direct-support organization to support the 28 institute in its mission to develop partnerships throughout the Americas. Notwithstanding s. 1004.70(2), the board of the 29 30 direct-support organization shall be composed of five members, 31 as follows: one member appointed by the President of the Senate; 32 one member appointed by the Speaker of the House of 33 Representatives; and three members appointed by the Governor, 34 including a representative from Miami Dade College and a 35 representative from the Adam Smith Center for Economic Freedom. 36 37 38 And the title is amended as follows: 39 Delete line 60 40 and insert:

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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41 applicants"; amending s. 1004.98, F.S.; deleting a 42 requirement for the Institute for Freedom in the Americas to partner with the Adam Smith Center for 43 Economic Freedom; deleting a requirement for Miami 44 45 Dade College to approve a direct-support organization 46 to support the Institute for Freedom in the Americas; 47 deleting a provision providing for the composition of the board of the organization; amending s. 1007.25, 48 F.S.; prohibiting a 49