

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Bill No. CS/HB 531 (2025)

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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED ☐ (Y/N)

ADOPTED AS AMENDED ☐ (Y/N)

ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION ☐ (Y/N)

FAILED TO ADOPT ☐ (Y/N)

WITHDRAWN ☐ (Y/N)

OTHER ☐

Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Health Care Budget  
Subcommittee

Representative Hunschofsky offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (4) is added to section 435.12,  
Florida Statutes, to read:  
435.12 Care Provider Background Screening Clearinghouse.—  
(4) (a) As part of the Care Provider Background Screening  
Clearinghouse, the Agency for Health Care Administration, in  
consultation with all specified agencies, as defined in s.  
435.02(7), that are required by law to use the clearinghouse for  
employment screening, must develop and maintain a publicly  
available webpage which provides a central source for care  
provider background screening education and awareness. This

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webpage may be part of the current web-based clearinghouse system. The resources available on the webpage must be written in non-technical and accessible language, tailored to qualified entities, as defined in s. 943.0542(1)(b), and include, but need not be limited to:

1. Information and education related to employment screening requirements of qualified entities, to include:

a. The Care Provider Background Screening Clearinghouse.  
b. Level 2 screening standards under ch. 435.  
c. Live-scan fingerprinting, or other third-party systems, including information on process, vendors, locations, and potential costs.

2. A searchable catalog, by specified agency, of qualified entity employment classes and positions required by law to undergo employment screening through the clearinghouse, to include:

a. Disqualifying offenses.  
b. Exemption requirements and process.  
3. A downloadable checklist detailing the process, timelines, and contact information for employment screening process support, tailored to qualified entities.

(b) Specified agencies must include a clear and conspicuous link to the webpage on their respective websites and promote the inclusion of the link in all job vacancy advertisements and posts by qualified entities.

(c) The webpage must be active by January 1, 2026, and then

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43 by October 1 of 2026 and each subsequent year reviewed and  
44 updated to incorporate any changes to law, the clearinghouse, or  
45 the employment screening process.

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48 **T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T**

49 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:  
50 An act relating to public education of background  
51 screening requirements; amending s. 435.12, F.S.;  
52 requiring the Agency for Health Care Administration  
53 and the Department of Law Enforcement, in conjunction  
54 with specified agencies, to develop and maintain a  
55 care provider background screening education and  
56 awareness webpage; detailing the content of the  
57 webpage; requiring the posting of the webpage in  
58 specified places; requiring an annual review;  
59 providing an effective date.