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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs (Polsky) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete 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
Clearing House, the Agency for Health Care Administration, in
consultation with all specified agencies, as defined in s.



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11 435.02(7), that are required by law to use the clearinghouse for
12 employment screening, must develop and maintain a publicly
13 available webpage which provides a central source for care
14 provider background screening education and awareness. This
15 webpage may be part of the current web-based clearinghouse
16 system. The resources available on the webpage must be written
17 in non-technical and accessible language, tailored to qualified
18 entities, as defined in s. 943.0542(1)(b), and include, but need
19 not be limited to:

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

22 a. The Care Provider Background Screening Clearinghouse.

23 b. Level 2 screening standards under ch. 435.

24 c. Live-scan fingerprinting, or other third-party systems,
25 including information on process, vendors, locations, and
26 potential costs.

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

31 a. Disqualifying offenses.

32 b. Exemption requirements and process.

33 3. A downloadable checklist detailing the process,
34 timelines, and contact information for employment screening
35 process support, tailored to qualified entities.

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



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40 (c) The webpage must be active by January 1, 2026, and then
41 reviewed and updated by October 1 of 2026 and each subsequent
42 year to incorporate any changes to law, the clearinghouse, or
43 the employment screening process.

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46 And the title is amended as follows:

47 Delete everything before the enacting clause
48 and insert:

49 A bill to be entitled
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.