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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Judiciary (Stargel) recommended the following:

1           **Senate Amendment to Amendment (828464) (with title**  
2 **amendment)**

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4           Between lines 253 and 254

5 insert:

6           Section 8. Section 760.101, Florida Statutes, is created to  
7 read:

8           760.101 Exemption from part.-

9           (1) As used in this section, the term:

10           (a) "Closely held for-profit entity" means an entity for  
11 which no ownership interest is publicly traded and in which at



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12 least 50 percent of the ownership interest is concentrated in 10  
13 or fewer owners.

14 (b) "Nonprofit entity" means an organization that qualifies  
15 for tax-exempt status under 26 U.S.C. s. 501.

16 (c) "Religious institution" has the same meaning as in s.  
17 496.404(23).

18 (2) Notwithstanding s. 760.07 or s. 760.35, a cause of  
19 action may not be brought against a closely held for-profit  
20 entity, a nonprofit entity, or a religious institution for a  
21 violation of this part, part II of this chapter, or s. 509.092  
22 for discrimination on the basis of gender identity or expression  
23 or sexual orientation, as those terms are defined in s. 760.02,  
24 if the entity or institution asserts a religious viewpoint or  
25 belief as the reason for the violation.

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27 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

28 And the title is amended as follows:

29 Between lines 471 and 472

30 insert:

31 creating s. 760.101, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting  
32 a cause of action from being brought against any  
33 closely held for-profit entity, nonprofit entity, or  
34 religious institution for specified violations under  
35 certain circumstances;