

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2025 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Children, Families, and Elder Affairs

CS/HB 901 — Court-appointed Psychologists

by Judiciary Committee and Rep. Borrero and others (CS/SB 976 by Children, Families, and Elder Affairs and Senator Bernard)

The bill clarifies the process which a parent seeking to disqualify a court-appointed psychologist must follow and provides that an administrative complaint against a court-appointed psychologist may not be filed until the complainant has moved to disqualify the psychologist.

The bill further clarifies that the claimant is responsible for all reasonable attorney fees in any supplemental legal actions against the court-appointed psychologist in his or her capacity as a court appointee, if held not liable, and does not apply to the underlying legal action.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect July 1, 2025.

Vote: Senate 37-0; House 112-4