Bill No. CS for SB 2220

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11	Senator Saunders moved the following amendment:
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13	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
14	On page 69, between lines 9 and 10,
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16	insert:
17	Section 56. Section 455.601, Florida Statutes, is
18	amended to read:
19	455.601 Hepatitis B or human immunodeficiency
20	carriers
21	$\underline{(1)}$ The department and each appropriate board within
22	the Division of Medical Quality Assurance shall have the
23	authority to establish procedures to handle, counsel, and
24	provide other services to health care professionals within
25	their respective boards who are infected with hepatitis B or
26	the human immunodeficiency virus.
27	(2) Any person licensed by the department and any
28	other person employed by a health care facility who contracts
29	a blood-borne infection shall have a rebuttable presumption
30	that the illness was contracted in the course and scope of his
31	or her employment, provided that the person, as soon as
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practicable, reports to the person's supervisor or the
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    facility's risk manager any significant exposure, as that term
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    is defined in s. 381.004(2)(c), to blood or body fluids. The
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    employer may test the blood or body fluid to determine if it
    is infected with the same disease contracted by the employee.
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    The employer may rebut the presumption by the preponderance of
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    the evidence. Except as expressly provided in this subsection,
    there shall be no presumption that a blood-borne infection is
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    a job-related injury or illness.
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    (Redesignate subsequent sections.)
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    ====== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========
   And the title is amended as follows:
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          On page 1, line 2, delete that line
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   and insert:
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          An act relating to health care; amending s.
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           455.601, F.S.; providing, for purposes of
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          workers' compensation, a rebuttable presumption
          relating to blood-borne infections;
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