HOUSE AMENDMENT

Bill No. CS/CS/HB 565 (2012)

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

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Representative Workman offered the following:

Amendment

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Remove lines 139-172 and insert:

5 period of time following a marriage of short or moderate 6 duration or following a marriage of long duration if there is no 7 ongoing need for support on a long-term permanent basis. When 8 awarding durational alimony, the court must make written 9 findings that an award of rehabilitative or bridge-the-gap 10 alimony or a combination thereof is not appropriate. An award of 11 durational alimony terminates upon the death of either party or 12 upon the remarriage of the party receiving alimony. The amount 13 of an award of durational alimony shall may be modified or 14 terminated based upon a substantial change in circumstances or 15 upon the existence of a supportive relationship in accordance with s. 61.14 unless the court makes written findings stating 16 607357 Approved For Filing: 2/21/2012 1:57:52 PM

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17	Amendment No. the exceptional circumstances as to why it should not be
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	modified or terminated. However, The length of an award of
19	durational alimony may not be modified except under exceptional
20	circumstances and may not exceed the length of the marriage. <u>If</u>
21	the court awards durational alimony for a length of time greater
22	than 50 percent of the length of the marriage, the court must
23	make written findings stating the circumstances warranting the
24	length of the award.
25	(9) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, an The
26	award of alimony may not leave the payor with significantly less
27	net income <u>or with a lower standard of living</u> than the net
28	income of the recipient unless there are written findings of
29	exceptional circumstances. The court shall make written findings
30	regarding the relative incomes and standards of living citing to
31	evidence in the record and to this subsection.
32	Section 4. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
33	61.14, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (12) is
34	added to that section, to read:
35	61.14 Enforcement and modification of support,
36	maintenance, or alimony agreements or orders
37	(1)
38	(b)1. The court must, except upon a written finding of
39	exceptional circumstances, may reduce or terminate an award of
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