

Amendment No. 3

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED (Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED (Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION (Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT (Y/N)
WITHDRAWN (Y/N)
OTHER

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Judiciary Committee
2 Representative Gaetz offered the following:

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4 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

5 Between lines 510 and 511, insert:

6 Section 6. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section
7 440.45, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

8 440.45 Office of the Judges of Compensation Claims.-
9 (2)

10 (b) Except as provided in paragraph (c), the Governor
11 shall appoint a judge of compensation claims from a list of
12 three persons nominated by the judicial ~~a statewide~~ nominating
13 commission for the First District Court of Appeal. ~~The statewide~~
14 ~~nominating commission shall be composed of the following:~~

15 ~~1. Five members, at least one of whom must be a member of~~
16 ~~a minority group as defined in s. 288.703, one of each who~~
17 ~~resides in each of the territorial jurisdictions of the district~~
18 ~~courts of appeal, appointed by the Board of Governors of The~~
19 ~~Florida Bar from among The Florida Bar members who are engaged~~

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20 ~~in the practice of law. On July 1, 1999, the term of office of~~
21 ~~each person appointed by the Board of Governors of The Florida~~
22 ~~Bar to the commission expires. The Board of Governors shall~~
23 ~~appoint members who reside in the odd-numbered district court of~~
24 ~~appeal jurisdictions to 4-year terms each, beginning July 1,~~
25 ~~1999, and members who reside in the even-numbered district court~~
26 ~~of appeal jurisdictions to 2-year terms each, beginning July 1,~~
27 ~~1999. Thereafter, each member shall be appointed for a 4-year~~
28 ~~term;~~

29 ~~2. Five electors, at least one of whom must be a member of~~
30 ~~a minority group as defined in s. 288.703, one of each who~~
31 ~~resides in each of the territorial jurisdictions of the district~~
32 ~~courts of appeal, appointed by the Governor. On July 1, 1999,~~
33 ~~the term of office of each person appointed by the Governor to~~
34 ~~the commission expires. The Governor shall appoint members who~~
35 ~~reside in the odd-numbered district court of appeal~~
36 ~~jurisdictions to 2-year terms each, beginning July 1, 1999, and~~
37 ~~members who reside in the even-numbered district court of appeal~~
38 ~~jurisdictions to 4-year terms each, beginning July 1, 1999.~~
39 ~~Thereafter, each member shall be appointed for a 4-year term;~~
40 ~~and~~

41 ~~3. Five electors, at least one of whom must be a member of~~
42 ~~a minority group as defined in s. 288.703, one of each who~~
43 ~~resides in the territorial jurisdictions of the district courts~~
44 ~~of appeal, selected and appointed by a majority vote of the~~
45 ~~other 10 members of the commission. On October 1, 1999, the term~~
46 ~~of office of each person appointed to the commission by its~~
47 ~~other members expires. A majority of the other members of the~~

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48 ~~commission shall appoint members who reside in the odd-numbered~~
49 ~~district court of appeal jurisdictions to 2-year terms each,~~
50 ~~beginning October 1, 1999, and members who reside in the even-~~
51 ~~numbered district court of appeal jurisdictions to 4-year terms~~
52 ~~each, beginning October 1, 1999. Thereafter, each member shall~~
53 ~~be appointed for a 4-year term.~~

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55 ~~A vacancy occurring on the commission shall be filled by the~~
56 ~~original appointing authority for the unexpired balance of the~~
57 ~~term. No attorney who appears before any judge of compensation~~
58 ~~claims more than four times a year is eligible to serve on the~~
59 ~~statewide nominating commission. The meetings and determinations~~
60 ~~of the nominating commission as to the judges of compensation~~
61 ~~claims shall be open to the public.~~

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66 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

67 Remove line 25 and insert:
68 justices or judges as senior judges; amending s. 440.45, F.S.;
69 providing that the judicial nominating commission for the First
70 District Court of Appeal will nominate persons to the Office of
71 the Judges of Compensation Claims; deleting provisions creating
72 a nominating commission solely for the Office of the Judges of
73 Compensation Claims; providing an
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