

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative Harrell offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Remove lines 158-206 and insert:

5 employees of a recovery residence pass a level 2 background
6 screening as provided in s. 435.04. The employee's fingerprints
7 must be submitted by the department, an entity, or a vendor as
8 authorized by s. 943.053(13) (a). The fingerprints shall be
9 forwarded to the Department of Law Enforcement for state
10 processing, and the Department of Law Enforcement shall forward
11 them to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for national
12 processing. Fees for state and national fingerprint processing
13 shall be borne by the employer or employee. The department shall

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14 screen background results to determine whether an employee meets
15 certification requirements.

16 (6) A credentialing entity shall issue a certificate of
17 compliance upon approval of the recovery residence's application
18 and inspection. The certification shall automatically terminate
19 if not renewed within 1 year after the date of issuance.

20 (7) A credentialing entity shall deny a recovery
21 residence's application for certification, and may suspend or
22 revoke a certification, if the recovery residence:

23 (a) Is not in compliance with any provision of this
24 section;

25 (b) Has failed to remedy any deficiency identified by the
26 credentialing entity within the time period specified;

27 (c) Provided false, misleading, or incomplete information
28 to the credentialing entity; or

29 (d) Has employees who are subject to the disqualifying
30 offenses set forth in s. 435.04(2), unless an exemption has been
31 provided under s. 397.4872.

32 (8) It is unlawful for a person to advertise to the
33 public, in any way or by any medium whatsoever, any recovery
34 residence as a "certified recovery residence" unless such
35 recovery residence has first secured a certificate of compliance
36 under this section. A person who violates this subsection
37 commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as
38 provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083.

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39 Section 3. Section 397.4871, Florida Statutes, is created
40 to read:

41 397.4871 Recovery residence administrator certification.-

42 (1) It is the intent of the Legislature that a recovery
43 residence administrator voluntarily earn and maintain
44 certification from a credentialing entity approved by the
45 Department of Children and Families. The Legislature further
46 intends that certification ensure that an administrator has the
47 competencies necessary to appropriately respond to the needs of
48 residents, to maintain residence standards, and to meet
49 residence certification requirements.

50 (2) The department shall approve at least one
51 credentialing entity by December 1, 2014, for the purpose of
52 developing and administering a volunteer credentialing program
53 for administrators. The department shall approve any
54 credentialing entity that the department endorses pursuant to s.
55 397.321(16) if the credentialing entity also meets the
56 requirements of this section. The approved

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

60 Remove lines 16-25 and insert:
61 background screening of employees of a recovery
62 residence; providing for denial, suspension, or
63 revocation of certification; providing a criminal
64 penalty for advertising a recovery residence as a

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65 "certified recovery residence" unless certified;
66 creating s. 397.4871, F.S.; providing legislative
67 intent; requiring the department to create a voluntary
68 certification program for recovery residence
69 administrators; directing the department to approve at
70 least one credentialing entity by a specified date to
71 develop and administer the

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