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The Committee on Judiciary (Perry) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment to Amendment (510198)

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Delete lines 13 - 30

and insert:

the requester of such determination within 5 days and notify the requester of the right to enter into mediation under the public records mediation program created under s. 16.60 in order to facilitate a resolution of the public records request. If the requester declines to enter into mediation with the agency or if the parties to the mediation fail to reach a mutually acceptable and voluntary agreement regarding the public records request,

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the requester may request that the agency seek a declaratory interpretation as to whether the requested record is subject to an exemption. Upon such request, the agency shall file the petition for the declaratory interpretation in the circuit court of the county in which the requester resides. Additionally, the agency may seek a declaratory interpretation regardless of whether the requester requests that the agency file such a petition. The requester has standing to participate in any proceeding regarding the declaratory interpretation. The agency is responsible for all court costs and its attorney fees as to the declaratory interpretation petition.