The Committee on Banking and Insurance (Perry) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 29 and 30
insert:

Section 2. Subsection (2) of section 440.381, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

440.381 Application for coverage; reporting payroll; payroll audit procedures; penalties.—
(2) Submission of an application that contains false, misleading, or incomplete information provided with the purpose
of avoiding or reducing the amount of premiums for workers’ compensation coverage is a felony of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. The application must contain a statement that the filing of an application containing false, misleading, or incomplete information provided with the purpose of avoiding or reducing the amount of premiums for workers’ compensation coverage is a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084. The application must contain a sworn statement by the employer attesting to the accuracy of the information submitted and acknowledging the provisions of former s. 440.37(4). The application must contain a sworn statement by the agent attesting that the agent explained to the employer or officer the classification codes that are used for premium calculations. The sworn statements by the employer and the agent are not required to be notarized.

And the title is amended as follows:

Between lines 2 and 3 insert:

amending s. 440.381, F.S.; providing that certain sworn statements in employer applications for workers’ compensation coverage are not required to be notarized;