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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate Comm: RCS 03/23/2021 House

The Committee on Criminal Justice (Bean) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 39 - 75

and insert:

(2) (a) Except pursuant to criminal discovery or as provided in paragraph (b), a person who <u>knowingly and willfully attempts</u> <u>to obtain, obtains, or</u> discloses a privileged communication, or protected information, or any information concerning a privileged communication or protected information commits a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s.

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11	775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084.
12	(b) This subsection does not apply to:
13	1. The person who provides the privileged communication or
14	protected information; or
15	2. An employee, board member, or volunteer of a crime
16	stoppers organization while acting in the course and scope of
17	the person's duties or functions;
18	3.2. A law enforcement officer or an employee of a law
19	enforcement agency or the Department of Legal Affairs when he or
20	she is acting within the scope of his or her official duties <u>;</u>
21	<u>or</u> .
22	4. A person complying with criminal discovery rules.
23	(c) This subsection does not limit the right of any
24	criminal defendant to criminal discovery.
25	(3) A person who, in the course and scope of his or her
26	duties or functions receives, forwards, or acts on a privileged
27	communication is immune from civil liability for damages
28	resulting from an act or omission in the performance of his or
29	her duties or functions unless the act or omission was
30	intentional or grossly negligent.
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32	========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =================================
33	And the title is amended as follows:
34	Delete lines 4 - 12
35	and insert:
36	F.S.; prohibiting a person from knowingly and
37	willfully attempting to obtain, obtaining, or
38	disclosing a privileged communication or protected
39	information; providing a penalty; providing an
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40 exemption from criminal liability for employees, board 41 members, or volunteers of crime stoppers organization 42 in certain circumstances; providing immunity from 43 civil liability for certain actions by specified 44 persons concerning privileged communications;