LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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House

	The Committee on Judiciary (Cruz) recommended the following:
1	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
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3	Delete line 112
4	and insert:
5	exceed \$612,500, the total amount paid for lobbying fees may not
6	exceed \$122,500, and the total amount paid for costs or other
7	similar expenses may not exceed \$20,906.04.
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10	And the title is amended as follows:
11	Delete lines 41 - 86

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12 and insert:

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WHEREAS, at 3:30 a.m., approximately 13 minutes after arriving at Ms. Galloway's home, the paramedics employed by Hillsborough County Fire Rescue left without Ms. Galloway and reported the incident as "Nontransport/No Patient Found" and "Nontransport/Cancel," and

WHEREAS, while Ms. Black was transporting Ms. Galloway to the hospital in her personal vehicle, Ms. Galloway began having seizures, and a CT scan of her brain performed at the emergency room later revealed an acute subarachnoid hemorrhage, most likely secondary to an aneurysm, and

WHEREAS, as the facility where Ms. Galloway was first admitted was not equipped to handle the required neurological interventions, Ms. Galloway was later transported to Tampa General Hospital, where she underwent a cerebral angiogram with coil placement into the aneurysm, and

WHEREAS, despite efforts by physicians at Tampa General Hospital to treat Ms. Galloway, she passed away on July 9, 2018, and

31 WHEREAS, as the Hillsborough County Board of County 32 Commissioners provides emergency medical and health care 33 services to its residents through entities that include 34 Hillsborough County Fire Rescue, paramedics employed by 35 Hillsborough County Fire Rescue are employees and agents of the 36 Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners, and

37 WHEREAS, such employees of the Hillsborough County Board of 38 County Commissioners had a duty to use reasonable care in the 39 treatment of Ms. Galloway, and

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WHEREAS, such employees of the Hillsborough County Board of

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41 County Commissioners breached that duty by deviating from the 42 acceptable and appropriate standards of care in providing 43 inadequate care to Ms. Galloway, and

WHEREAS, the Estate of Crystle Marie Galloway alleged, through a lawsuit filed October 17, 2019, in the Circuit Court of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Hillsborough County, that the negligence of the Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners, through its employees, was the proximate cause of Ms. Galloway's death, and

50 WHEREAS, following the filing of the lawsuit, the 51 Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners and the Estate 52 of Crystle Marie Galloway reached a settlement agreement in the 53 amount of \$2.75 million, of which \$300,000 has been paid to the

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