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Amendment No.

	CHAMBER ACTION
	Senate House
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1	Representative Skidmore offered the following:
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3	Amendment (with title amendment)
4	Remove lines 253-336 and insert:
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6	An employee organization that has been certified as the
7	bargaining agent for public employees which has less than
8	\$250,000 in annual revenues and expenditures is exempt from the
9	annual audited financial statement requirement under this
10	subsection.
11	(3) In addition to subsection (2), an employee
12	organization that has been certified as the bargaining agent for
13	public employees must include for each such certified bargaining
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14	unit the following information and documentation as of the 30th
15	day immediately preceding the date of renewal in its application
16	for any renewal of registration on or after October 1, 2023:
17	(a) The number of employees in the bargaining unit who are
18	eligible for representation by the employee organization.
19	(b) The number of employees in the bargaining unit who
20	have submitted signed membership authorization forms without a
21	subsequent revocation of such membership.
22	(c) The number of employees in the bargaining unit who
23	paid dues to the employee organization.
24	(d) The number of employees in the bargaining unit who did
25	not pay dues to the employee organization.
26	(e) Documentation provided by an independent certified
27	public accountant retained by the employee organization which
28	verifies the information provided in paragraphs (a)-(d).
29	(4) The employee organization must provide a copy of its
30	application for renewal of registration relating to a public
31	employer's employees to the public employer on the same day the
32	application is submitted to the commission.
33	(5) An application for renewal of registration is
34	incomplete and is not eligible for consideration by the
35	commission if it does not include all of the information and
36	documentation required in subsection (3). The commission shall
37	notify the employee organization if the application is
38	incomplete. An incomplete application must be dismissed if the
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39	required information and documentation are not provided within
40	10 days after the employee organization receives such notice.
41	(6) Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter
42	relating to collective bargaining, an employee organization that
43	had less than 60 percent of the employees eligible for
44	representation in the bargaining unit pay dues during its last
45	registration period must petition the commission pursuant to s.
46	447.307(2) and (3) for recertification as the exclusive
47	representative of all employees in the bargaining unit within 1
48	month after the date on which the employee organization applies
49	for renewal of registration pursuant to subsection (2). The
50	certification of an employee organization that does not comply
51	with this section is revoked.
52	(7) The public employer or a bargaining unit employee may
53	challenge an employee organization's application for renewal of
54	registration if the public employer or bargaining unit employee
55	believes that the application is inaccurate. The commission or
56	one of its designated agents shall review the application to
57	determine its accuracy and compliance with this section. If the
58	commission finds that the application is inaccurate or does not
59	comply with this section, the commission shall revoke the
60	registration and certification of the employee organization.
61	(8) The commission may conduct an investigation to confirm
62	the validity of any information submitted pursuant to this
63	section. The commission may revoke or deny an employee
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64	organization's registration or certification if it finds that
65	the employee organization:
66	(a) Failed to cooperate with the investigation conducted
67	pursuant to this subsection; or
68	(b) Intentionally misrepresented the information it
69	submitted pursuant to subsection (3).
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71	A decision issued by the commission pursuant to this subsection
72	is a final agency action that is reviewable pursuant to s.
73	447.504.
74	(9) Subsections $(3) - (8)$ do not apply to an employee
75	organization that has been certified as the bargaining agent to
76	represent law enforcement officers, correctional officers, or
77	correctional probation officers as those terms are defined in s.
78	943.10(1), (2), or (3), respectively, or firefighters as defined
79	<u>in s. 633.102.</u>
80	(10)-(3) A registration fee shall accompany each
81	application filed with the commission. The amount charged for an
82	application for registration or renewal of registration shall
83	not exceed \$15. All such money collected by the commission shall
84	be deposited in the General Revenue Fund.
85	(11)-(4) Every employee organization shall keep accurate
86	accounts of its income and expenses, which accounts shall be
87	open for inspection at all reasonable times by any member of the
88	organization or by the commission. In addition, each employee
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89	organization that has been certified as a bargaining agent must
90	provide to its members an annual audited financial report that
91	includes a detailed breakdown of revenues and expenditures, and
92	an accounting of membership dues and assessments. The employee
93	organization must notify its members annually of all costs of
94	membership. An employee organization that has been certified as
95	the bargaining agent for public employees which has less than
96	\$250,000 in annual revenues and expenditures is exempt from the
97	annual audited financial statement requirement under this
98	subsection.
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101	TITLE AMENDMENT
102	Between lines 55 and 56, insert:
103	providing an exception;
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