

## Committee on Postsecondary Education

### **CS/HB 1291 — Educator Preparation Programs**

by Education & Employment Committee and Reps. Snyder, Jacques, and others (CS/SB 1372 by Appropriations Committee on Education and Senators Ingoglia, Yarborough, and Perry)

The bill modifies requirements for courses and instruction in initial teacher preparation programs, educator preparation institutes, professional learning certification programs, and school leader preparation programs to specify that such programs:

- May not distort significant historical events, teach identity politics, violate Florida law regarding discrimination, or base coursework or instruction on specified theories regarding social, political, and economic inequities.
- Must afford teacher candidates the opportunity to think critically, achieve mastery of academic content, learn instructional strategies, and demonstrate competence; and afford school leader candidates the opportunity to demonstrate mastery of program content, including instructional leadership strategies, coaching development, and continuous improvement efforts.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect July 1, 2024.

*Vote: Senate 28-12; House 81-31*