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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Appropriations Subcommittee on Pre-K - 12 Education (Simmons)  
recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with directory and title amendments)**

Delete lines 402 - 414

and insert:

(1) (a) A Florida private school participating in the Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program established pursuant to s. 1002.395 or an educational scholarship program established pursuant to this chapter must comply with all requirements of this section in addition to private school requirements outlined in s. 1002.42, specific requirements identified within



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11 respective scholarship program laws, and other provisions of  
12 Florida law that apply to private schools.

13 (b) For purposes of this section, the term "owner or  
14 operator" includes an owner, operator, superintendent, or  
15 principal of an eligible private school or a person with  
16 equivalent decisionmaking authority over an eligible private  
17 school.

18 (2) A private school participating in a scholarship program  
19 must be a Florida private school as defined in s. 1002.01(2),  
20 must be registered in accordance with s. 1002.42, and must:

21 (h) Employ or contract with teachers who:

22 1. Unless otherwise specified under this paragraph, hold  
23 baccalaureate or higher degrees, have at least 3 years of  
24 teaching experience in public or private schools, or have  
25 objectively identified special skills, knowledge, or expertise  
26 that qualifies them to provide instruction in subjects taught.

27 2. Hold baccalaureate or higher degrees from a regionally  
28 or nationally accredited college or university in the United  
29 States or from a recognized college or university in another  
30 country. This subparagraph applies to full-time teachers hired  
31 after July 1, 2018, who are teaching students in grade 2 or  
32 above.

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34 ===== D I R E C T O R Y C L A U S E A M E N D M E N T =====

35 And the directory clause is amended as follows:

36 Delete lines 397 - 398

37 and insert:

38 are added to that section, and subsection (1), paragraphs (h)  
39 and (i) of subsection (2), and subsections (4) and (5) of that



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40 section are

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42 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

43 And the title is amended as follows:

44 Delete line 34

45 and insert:

46 amending s. 1002.421, F.S.; defining the term "owner

47 or operator"; requiring a private school