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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Florida Education Finance Program; amending s. 1011.60, F.S.; requiring school districts that participate in the Florida Education Finance Program to expend 80 percent of funds from the program for classroom spending purposes; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Upon the expiration of the amendment to section 1011.60, Florida Statutes, pursuant to section 17 of chapter 2018-5, Laws of Florida, subsection (8) of section 1011.60, Florida Statutes, is added to read:

1011.60 Minimum requirements of the Florida Education Finance Program.—Each district which participates in the state appropriations for the Florida Education Finance Program shall provide evidence of its effort to maintain an adequate school program throughout the district and shall meet at least the following requirements:

(8) MINIMUM CLASSROOM EXPENDITURE REQUIREMENTS.—Expend 80 percent of funds received from the Florida Education Finance

Program for classroom spending purposes, which include salaries and bonuses for classroom teachers; supplies and materials for classroom teachers; student materials, technology for use by students, and tutoring for students; salaries for additional classroom teachers and aides; and classroom-based supplemental instruction activities.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.