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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

The Committee on Education (Book) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (g) of subsection (2) of section
1003.42, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1003.42 Required instruction.—

(2) Members of the instructional staff of the public
schools, subject to the rules of the State Board of Education
and the district school board, shall teach efficiently and
faithfully, using the books and materials required that meet the



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highest standards for professionalism and historical accuracy, following the prescribed courses of study, and employing approved methods of instruction, the following:

(g) The history of the Holocaust (1933-1945), the systematic, planned annihilation of European Jews and other groups by Nazi Germany, a watershed event in the history of humanity, to be taught in a manner that leads to an investigation of human behavior, an understanding of the ramifications of prejudice, racism, and stereotyping, and an examination of what it means to be a responsible and respectful person, for the purposes of encouraging tolerance of diversity in a pluralistic society and for nurturing and protecting democratic values and institutions, including the policy against anti-Semitism, as described in s. 1000.05(7). Each school district and charter school must annually certify and provide evidence to the department, in a manner prescribed by the department, that the requirements of this paragraph are met. The department shall prepare and offer curriculum standards for the instruction required by this paragraph and may work with the Florida Holocaust Museum and other state or nationally recognized Holocaust educational organizations to develop grade-appropriate curricula, training for instructional personnel, and classroom resources for the instruction required by this paragraph.

The State Board of Education is encouraged to adopt standards and pursue assessment of the requirements of this subsection. A character development program that incorporates the values of the recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor and that is



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offered as part of a social studies, English Language Arts, or
other schoolwide character building and veteran awareness
initiative meets the requirements of paragraphs (s) and (t).

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.

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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete everything before the enacting clause
and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to Holocaust education; amending s.
1003.42, F.S.; including the study of a specified
policy against anti-Semitism in specified instruction;
providing school district, charter school, and
Department of Education requirements relating to such
instruction; authorizing the department to work with
certain Holocaust educational organizations for
specified purposes relating to the required
instruction; providing an effective date.