

The Florida Senate
COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

EDUCATION PRE-K - 12
Senator Wise, Chair
Senator Bullard, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Monday, February 6, 2012

TIME: 3:00 —6:00 p.m.

PLACE: 301 Senate Office Building

MEMBERS: Senator Wise, Chair; Senator Bullard, Vice Chair; Senators Alexander, Altman, Benacquisto, Bogdanoff, and Montford

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	SB 1852 Wise (Compare CS/H 903)	Charter Schools; Providing that a community college may operate no more than one charter school that serves students in kindergarten through grade 12, if the community college operates an approved teacher preparation program; revising the restriction on the establishment of new charter schools that replicate a high-performing charter school's educational program; authorizing a high-performing charter school that is part of a high-performing charter school system to increase student enrollment, expand grade levels, submit quarterly financial statements, consolidate charters, and modify charter terms, etc. ED 01/30/2012 Not Considered ED 02/06/2012 Fav/CS HE BC	Fav/CS Yeas 5 Nays 1
2	SB 338 Detert (Identical H 121)	Public School Student Participation in Fine Arts Courses; Revising the basis for the designation of school grades to include the participation rate of students who are enrolled in fine arts courses, etc. ED 02/06/2012 Favorable BC	Favorable Yeas 6 Nays 0
3	SB 494 Negron (Identical H 273)	Student Safety; Requiring district school board policies to list the emergency response agencies that are responsible for notifying the school district of emergencies; requiring the emergency response agencies to notify private schools in the school district under certain circumstances, etc. ED 02/06/2012 Fav/CS MS BC	Fav/CS Yeas 6 Nays 0

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4	SB 620 Latvala (Compare CS/H 1357)	District School Boards; Requiring that each district school board organize and elect a chair at a publicly noticed meeting after the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each year, but before the end of November; providing an exception if the chair is elected by a districtwide vote, etc. ED 02/06/2012 Fav/CS GO BC	Fav/CS Yeas 6 Nays 0
5	SB 750 Flores (Compare CS/H 465)	Bonds; Requiring that a district school board determine the schedule of maturities of proposed bonds; authorizing the district school board to approve a longer period before bonds are to be retired; providing that all bonds are callable at times and on terms prescribed by the district school board, etc. ED 02/06/2012 Fav/CS BC	Fav/CS Yeas 6 Nays 0
6	SB 808 Norman (Compare CS/H 431)	Use of Public School Grounds and Facilities; Providing that a public school that substantially implements specified public uses of its grounds or facilities is not liable for personal injury or property damage unless the injury or damage is due to gross negligence; providing that a student who is not under suspension or expulsion and who is on a public school's grounds or facilities for the purpose of engaging in physical fitness or recreation does not commit a trespass; authorizing a district school board to permit the use of public school facilities and grounds for physical fitness and recreation; encouraging each district school board to enter into a joint use agreement that provides local community access to a public school's grounds and facilities for physical fitness and recreation, etc. ED 02/06/2012 Fav/CS JU BC	Fav/CS Yeas 5 Nays 0
7	SB 874 Benacquisto (Compare CS/H 285)	Sick Leave for School District Employees; Authorizing each district school system to provide a policy allowing the donation of accrued sick leave to any district employee, etc. ED 02/06/2012 Fav/CS GO	Fav/CS Yeas 5 Nays 0

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8	SB 1402 Gardiner (Compare H 7063)	Education; Requiring that the State Board of Education enforce compliance with the law and state board rule by the Florida Virtual School; providing that a full-time Florida Virtual School student who meets specified academic and conduct requirements is eligible to participate in extracurricular activities at the public school to which the student would be assigned or could choose to attend; requiring that each student take at least one online course before graduating from high school, unless otherwise expressly excluded by law; authorizing the Florida Virtual School to provide part-time and full-time instruction for students in kindergarten through grade 12; revising the general requirements for high school graduation, etc. ED 02/06/2012 Fav/CS BC	Fav/CS Yeas 6 Nays 0
9	SB 1462 Díaz de la Portilla (Identical H 689)	American Founders' Month; Citing this act as the "American Founders' Month Act"; designating the month of September as "American Founders' Month"; requiring district school boards to celebrate the American Founders and the principles inherent in the country's founding documents by observing American Founders' Month; specifying the focus of instruction during the month; providing that instruction may be integrated into the existing school curriculum; requiring distribution to school personnel of certain information, etc. ED 02/06/2012 Favorable BC	Favorable Yeas 6 Nays 0
10	SB 1654 Detert (Identical H 1317)	Certified School Counselors; Requiring that each school district have an overall ratio of at least one certified school counselor for every 400 students; requiring that each elementary, middle, and high school within the school district have a specified maximum ratio of certified school counselors to students; requiring that each school have a full-time certified school counselor and assign half-time certified school counselors or an additional full-time certified school counselor only after reaching the maximum ratio, etc. ED 02/06/2012 Fav/CS BC	Fav/CS Yeas 6 Nays 0

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11	SB 982 Bogdanoff (Similar CS/H 737)	Tax on Sales, Use, and Other Transactions; Specifying a period during this year when the sale of clothing, wallets, bags, and school supplies are exempt from the tax; providing exceptions; authorizing the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules, etc. ED 02/06/2012 Favorable BC	Favorable Yeas 5 Nays 0

Other Related Meeting Documents
