

**The Florida Senate**  
**COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA**

**EDUCATION**  
**Senator Legg, Chair**  
**Senator Montford, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, October 8, 2013  
**TIME:** 9:30 —11:30 a.m.  
**PLACE:** *Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building*

**MEMBERS:** Senator Legg, Chair; Senator Montford, Vice Chair; Senators Benacquisto, Brandes, Bullard, Galvano, Sachs, Simmons, and Stargel

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	Status Update on the Implementation of Legislative Policy Requirements:	CS/CS/HB 723 (2010) - Postsecondary Education CS/SB 1096 (2013) - Repeal of Education Provisions HB 21 (2013) - Background Screening for Noninstructional Contractors on School Grounds CS/CS/HB 609 (2013) - Bullying in the Public School System	Presented
2	Status Update on Implementation of HB 7059 (2012) - Acceleration Options in Public Education	Discussion of Efforts to Notify Parents about Acceleration and Pathway Options Available to Students  Collegiate High Schools and Charter Presentation not presented due to meeting time expiring.	Presented
Other Related Meeting Documents			

# Implementation Update HB 723 (2010) Teacher Tuition Waiver

Senate Education  
October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Kasongo Butler, Assistant Chancellor  
Florida College System

# Bill Background

- Signed by Governor on June 7, 2010 as Ch. 2010-219, Laws of Florida
- Sponsor: Representative Sachs and Senator Wise
- Purpose:  
Authorizes state universities & community colleges to waive tuition & fees for certain public school classroom teachers; authorizes a convenience fee for the processing of credit card payments; prohibits cause of action against state university for actions or decisions of state university student government; provides

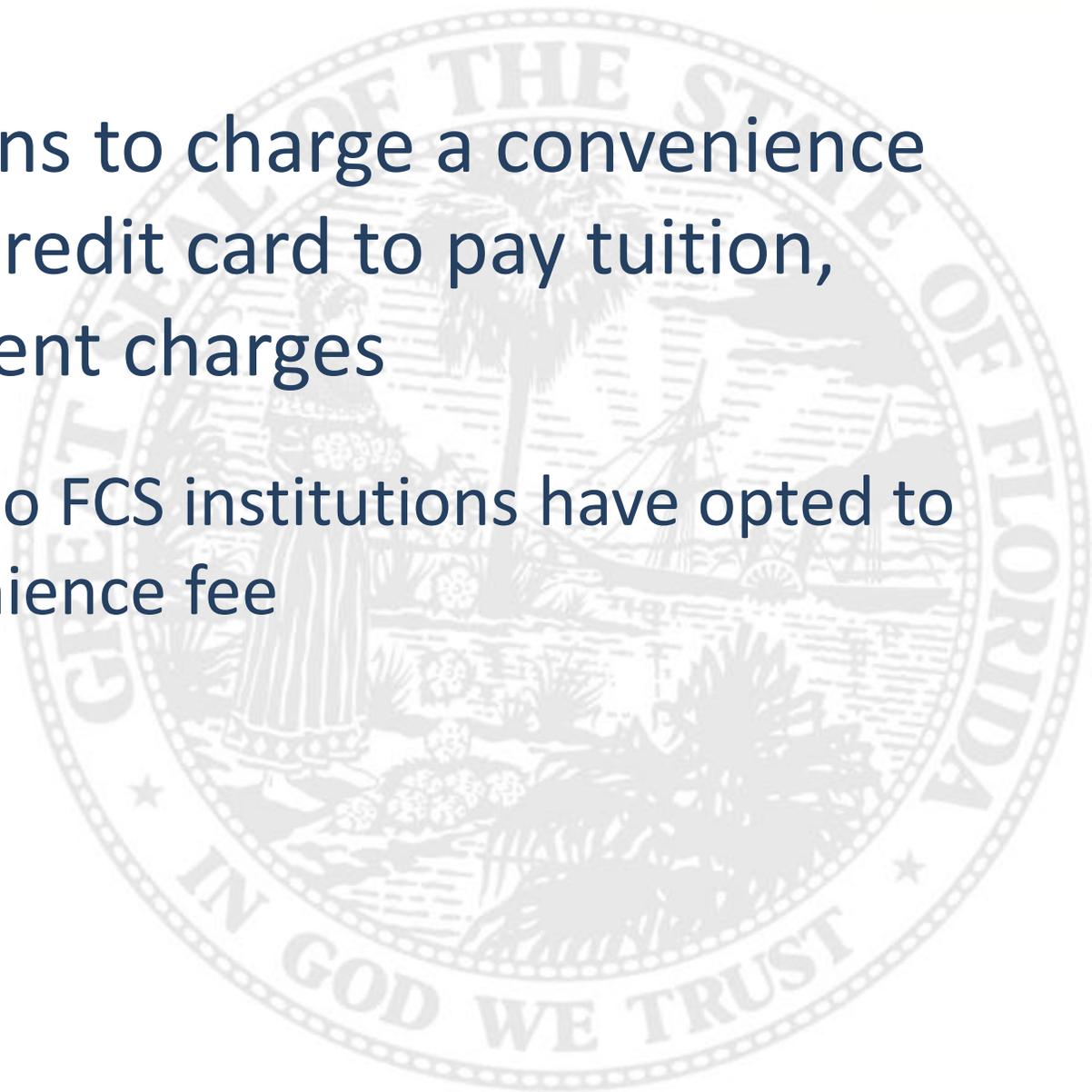
# Waiver Requirements

- A state university or Florida College System (FCS) institution may waive tuition and fees for a classroom teacher
- Must be employed full-time by a school district and meet the academic requirements-for up to 6 credit hours per term on a space-available basis
- Courses shall be limited to undergraduate courses related to special education, mathematics, or science
- The State Board of Education shall prescribe the process for the approval of course

# Convenience Fee Requirements

Allows FCS institutions to charge a convenience fee for the use of a credit card to pay tuition, fees, and other student charges

- As of 2012-2013 no FCS institutions have opted to charge the convenience fee



# Implementation

## Rule 6A-14.0542 – Effective 6/21/2011 -Tuition Waiver for Classroom Teachers

- Pursuant to Section 1009.26(10), F.S., the Department of Education (DOE) implemented the following approval process for the courses applicable to this waiver.
  - (1) DOE will identify course prefixes listed in the Statewide Course Numbering System in the areas of special education, mathematics, and science.
  - (2) DOE will submit the proposed list of eligible prefixes and all requested updates to the Articulation Coordinating Committee (ACC). The initial list and all updates must be approved by the ACC and the DOE.
  - (3) Upon approval of the list by the ACC and DOE, DOE will publish the *Course Prefix Listing Approved for the Teacher Waiver*, <http://www.flrules.org/Gateway/reference.asp?No=Ref-00246>

# Implementation

- Presented to Council of Presidents on implementation – Summer 2010
- Provided Implementation memo to Florida College System Admission Officers – June 24, 2010
- Teachers Using Waivers
  - Valencia College – 12
  - Palm Beach State College - 5

June 24, 2011

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Florida College System Admissions Officers and Registrars

**FROM:** Julie Alexander, Associate Vice Chancellor for Learning Initiatives

**SUBJECT:** Tuition and Fee Waiver for Classroom Teachers

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During the 2010 legislative session, section (s.) 1009.26, Florida Statutes (F. S.), was amended to authorize colleges and universities to waive tuition and associated matriculation fees for classroom teachers (see subsection 10 of the attached Florida Statute). Florida College System institutions and state universities **may** waive up to six credit hours per term for teachers employed full-time by a school district, including public charter school teachers. A listing of public charter schools by district can be found by visiting [http://www.floridaschoolchoice.org/Information/Charter\\_Schools/Directory/default.aspx](http://www.floridaschoolchoice.org/Information/Charter_Schools/Directory/default.aspx). Qualified students must be enrolled in undergraduate courses in mathematics, science, or special education.

Section 1009.26(10), F. S., also authorized rule development for the administration of the classroom teacher tuition and fee waiver. State Board of Education rule 6A-14.0452, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), *Tuition Waiver for Classroom Teachers*, was effective June 21, 2011. The rule specifies that a listing of prefixes for courses approved under this waiver be developed and posted to the website of the Office of Articulation of the Florida Department of Education. All undergraduate courses with levels 1 through 4 in a discipline with an approved prefix shall be eligible for the waiver. The *Course Prefix Listing Approved for the Teacher Waiver* may be found at <http://www.fldoe.org/articulation>. A copy of the rule and the *Course Prefix Listing Approved for the Teacher Waiver* are attached for your reference.

Please contact Ms. Julie Alexander at [Julie.alexander@fldoe.org](mailto:Julie.alexander@fldoe.org) with questions.

JA/aac

Attachments



Course Prefix Listing Approved for the Teacher Waiver

Category	Discipline Title	Prefix	Prefix Title
Mathematics	Mathematics	MAA	Mathematics - Analysis
Mathematics	Mathematics	MAC	Mathematics - Calculus and Precalculus
Mathematics	Mathematics	MAD	Mathematics - Discrete
Mathematics	Mathematics	MAP	Mathematics Applied
Mathematics	Mathematics	MAS	Mathematics - Algebraic Structures
Mathematics	Mathematics	MAT	Mathematics
Mathematics	Mathematics	MGF	Mathematics - General and Finite
Mathematics	Mathematics	MHF	Mathematics - History and Foundations
Mathematics	Mathematics	MTB	Mathematics - Technical and Business
Mathematics	Mathematics	MTG	Mathematics - Topology and Geometry
Mathematics	Quantitative Methods In Business	QMB	Quantitative Methods In Business
Mathematics	Statistics	STA	Statistics
Science	Biochemistry	BCH	Biochemistry (Biophysics)
Science	Biological Science	BOT	Botany
Science	Biological Science	BSC	Biological Sciences
Science	Biological Science	MCB	Microbiology
Science	Biological Science	PCB	Process Biology (Cell/Molecular/Ecology/Genetics/Physiology)
Science	Biological Science	ZOO	Zoology
Science	Chemistry	CHM	Chemistry
Science	Chemistry	CHS	Chemistry - Specialized
Science	Environmental Studies	EVR	Environmental Studies
Science	Environmental Studies	EVS	Environmental Science
Science	Geology	ESC	Earth Science
Science	Geology	GLY	Geology
Science	Interdisciplinary Science/Natural Science	GFD	Geophysical Fluid Dynamics
Science	Interdisciplinary Science/Natural Science	ISC	Interdisciplinary Sciences
Science	Interdisciplinary Science/Natural Science	MOB	Molecular Biophysics
Science	Meteorology	MET	Meteorology
Science	Oceanography/Ocean Engineering	EOC	Ocean Engineering
Science	Oceanography/Ocean Engineering	OCB	Biological Oceanography
Science	Oceanography/Ocean Engineering	OCC	Chemical Oceanography
Science	Oceanography/Ocean Engineering	OCE	General Oceanography
Science	Oceanography/Ocean Engineering	OCG	Geological Oceanography
Science	Oceanography/Ocean Engineering	OCP	Physical Oceanography
Science	Physics	AST	Astronomy
Science	Physics	PHY	Physics
Science	Physics	PHZ	Physics (Continued)
Science	Physics	PSC	Physical Sciences
Special Education	Education: Exceptional Child	EBD	Education: Emotional/Behavioral Disorders
Special Education	Education: Exceptional Child	EEX	Education: Exceptional Child - Core Competencies
Special Education	Education: Exceptional Child	EGI	Education: Gifted
Special Education	Education: Exceptional Child	EHD	Education: Hard of Hearing & Deaf
Special Education	Education: Exceptional Child	ELD	Education: Specific Learning Disabilities
Special Education	Education: Exceptional Child	EMR	Education: Mental Retardation
Special Education	Education: Exceptional Child	EPD	Education: Physical & Multiple Disabilities
Special Education	Education: Exceptional Child	EVI	Education: Visually Impaired-Blind



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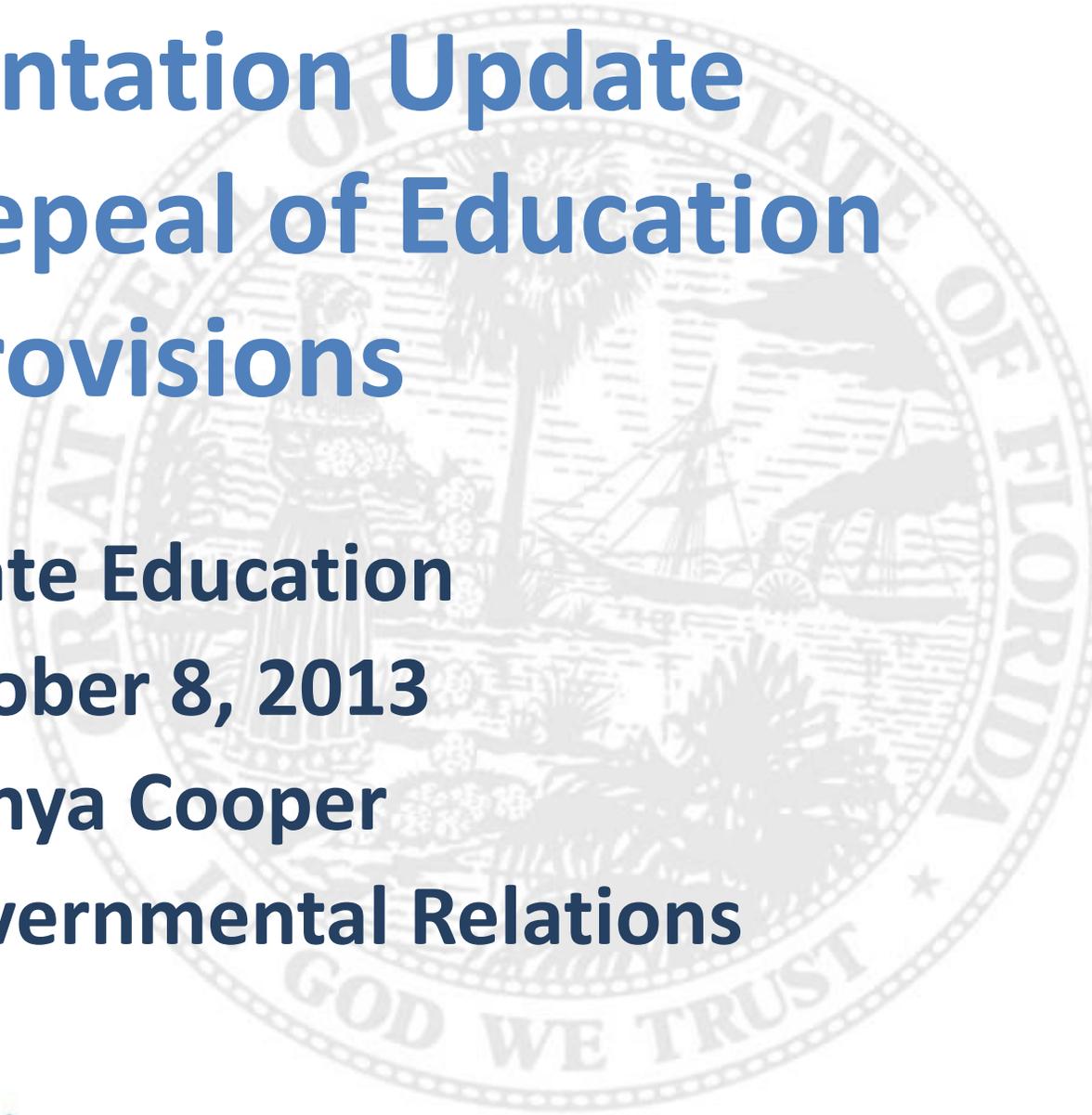
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# **Implementation Update**

## **SB 1096 - Repeal of Education Provisions**

**Senate Education**

**October 8, 2013**

**Tanya Cooper**

**Director, Governmental Relations**

# Bill Background

- 2013 Legislative session:
  - Chapter 2013-36 Laws of Florida, Signed by the Governor on April 29, 2013
- Sponsored by Senator Montford and House K12 Subcommittee (HB 7001)
- Purpose: Repeal various provisions of law and remove duplicative, redundant or unused authority relating to education.
- Legislative priority:
  - Governor's College and Career First Agenda
  - State Board of Education

# Contents of the Bill

- Bill repealed provisions that met one of the following criteria:
  - Inactive or underutilized programs
  - Unnecessary or duplicative laws
  - Not able to be implemented
  - Outdated or expired authority
  - Burdensome, incorrect or unnecessary reporting requirements

# Requirements

- Thirty–six (36) provisions addressed
- Conforming cross references
- Number of obsolete programs eliminated – 10
- Number of redundant reports eliminated – 5
- Rules:
  - Rulemaking authority Repealed – 4
  - Number of Rules Amended – 1
    - State Education Facilities – conforming changes

# Implementation

- Technical Assistance:
  - K 12- Memo to School Districts – 6/7
  - Florida College System(FCS)- Memo 6/5
- Outreach:
  - K12
    - Superintendents Conference Call
  - FCS
    - Council of Presidents – June 6-9
    - Council of Business Affairs – May 15-17
    - Council of Instructional Affairs/Council of Student Affairs- May 29-31
  - Finance & Operations
    - Statewide Educational Facilities Planner’s Conference- June 12

# Observations

- Streamlined paperwork
- Freed up local and statewide resources
- Provided school districts with relief from excessive and unnecessary state regulations
- Collaborative effort between agencies, superintendents, DOE and Governor's Office.
- Anticipate similar bill in 2014.

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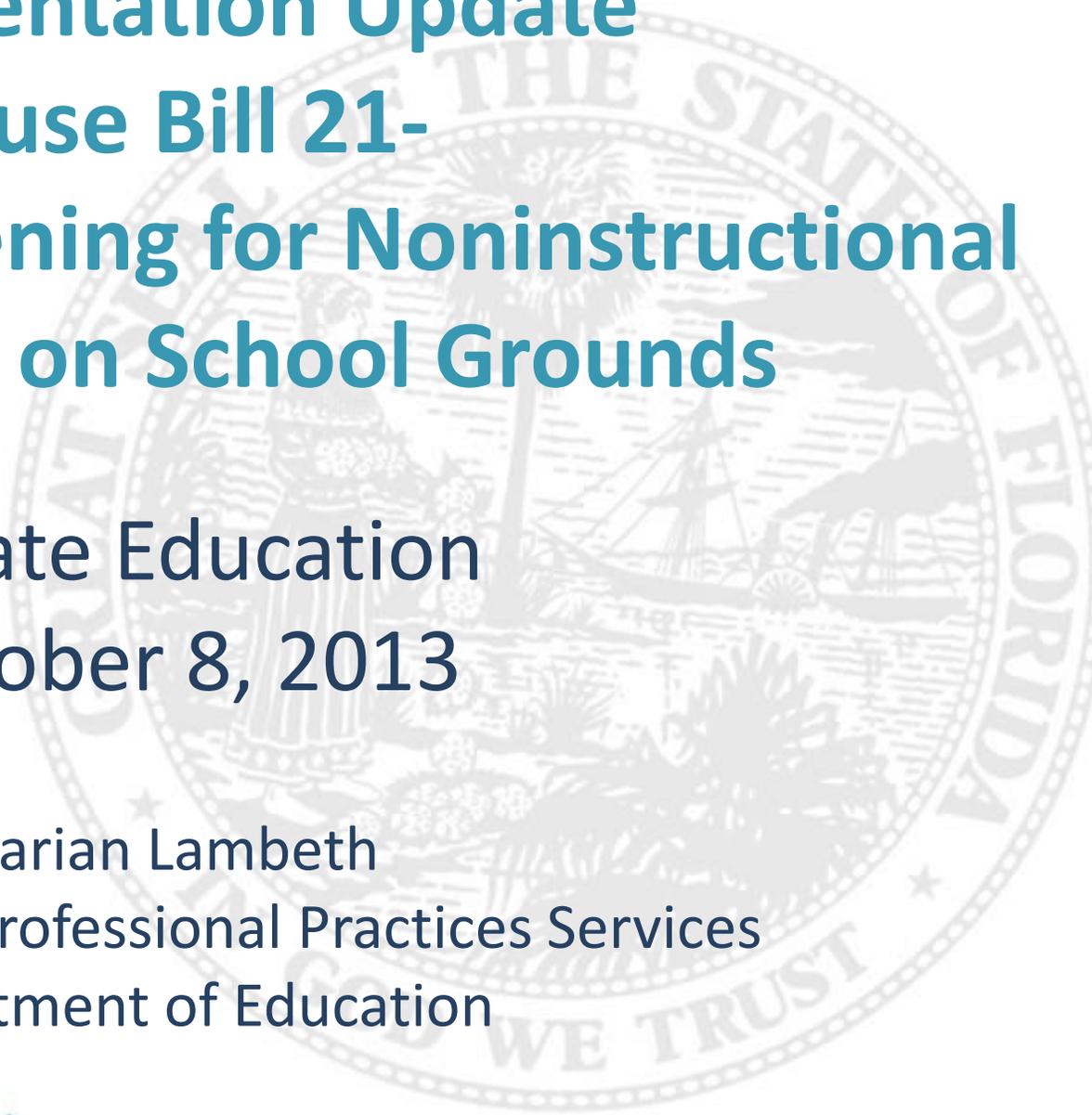
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# Implementation Update House Bill 21- Background Screening for Noninstructional Contractors on School Grounds

Senate Education  
October 8, 2013

Marian Lambeth  
Chief, Office of Professional Practices Services  
Department of Education

# Bill Background

- Signed by Governor on May 30, 2013, as Ch. 2013-73, Laws of Florida
- Sponsors: Representative Perry and Senator Grimsley
- Purpose: Create a uniform, statewide identification badge to be worn by noninstructional contractors signifying contractor met specified screening standards; requires school districts issuance and recognition of badge

# Contents of the Bill

- Creation of a uniform badge for noninstructional contractors
- Requires district recognition of the badge



# Requirements

1. Department of Education:
  - a) Create (design) a uniform, statewide identification badge for noninstructional contractors.
  - b) Determine a uniform cost districts may charge.
2. School district:
  - a) Shall issue a uniform statewide identification badge to the contractor after meeting criteria.
  - b) Recognize the uniform badge.
  - c) Badge is valid for 5 years.

# Requirements

## Contractor Responsibilities

1. Must wear the badge at all times while on school grounds.
2. Return the badge within 48 hours of arrest notification of any disqualifying offense.



# Implementation Status

## Accomplishments

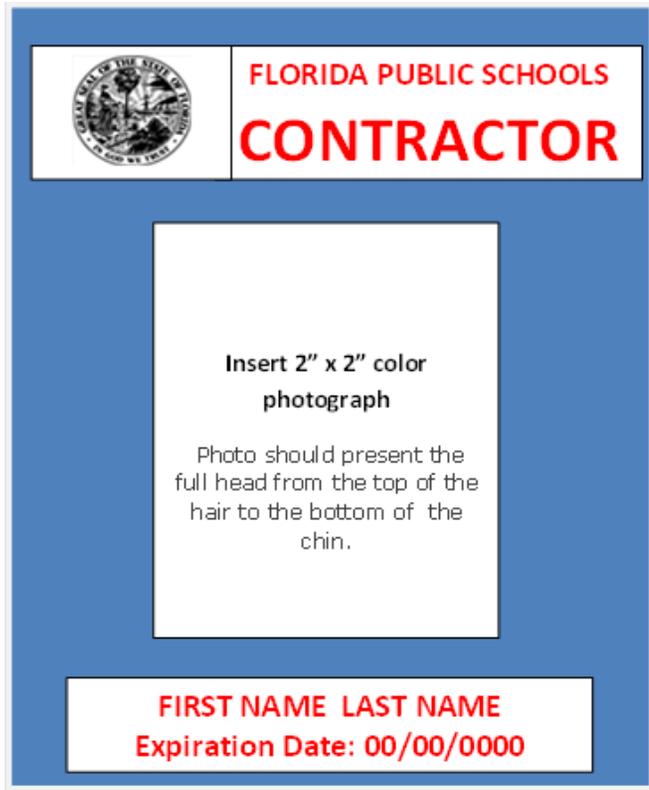
- DOE Technical Assistance issued July 18, 2013
  - Sample uniform badge
  - Cost not to exceed \$10.00
  - Q & A
- Some districts are issuing badges

## Challenges

- Districts report lack of ability or complications to issue/create badge
- Exemptions issued by each district

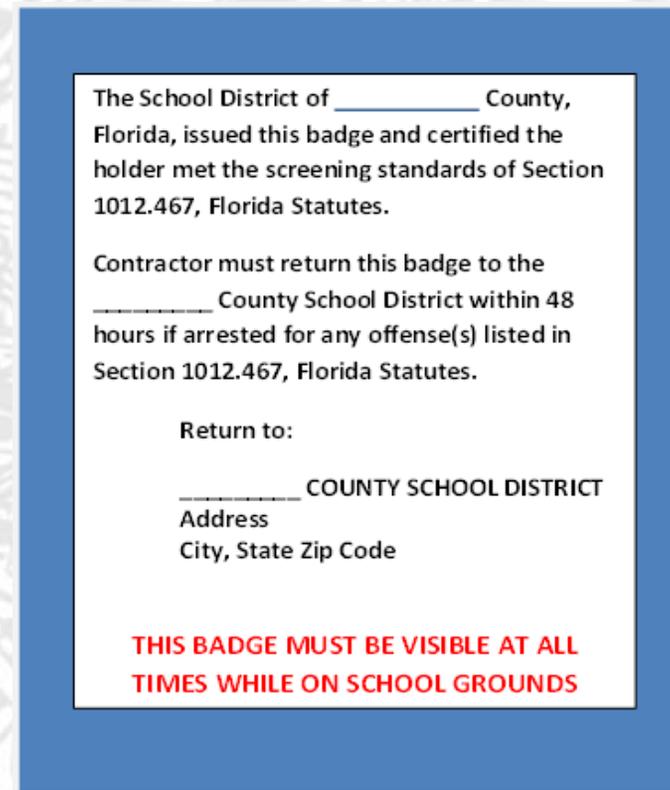


# Uniform Badge Design



The front of the badge is a blue-bordered rectangle. In the top-left corner is the Great Seal of the State of Florida. To its right, the text "FLORIDA PUBLIC SCHOOLS" is written in red, with "CONTRACTOR" in a larger red font below it. In the center is a white box with the text "Insert 2" x 2" color photograph" and "Photo should present the full head from the top of the hair to the bottom of the chin." In the bottom-left corner is a white box containing "FIRST NAME LAST NAME" and "Expiration Date: 00/00/0000" in red.

Front



The back of the badge is a blue-bordered rectangle. It contains a white box with the following text: "The School District of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Florida, issued this badge and certified the holder met the screening standards of Section 1012.467, Florida Statutes." Below this is another paragraph: "Contractor must return this badge to the \_\_\_\_\_ County School District within 48 hours if arrested for any offense(s) listed in Section 1012.467, Florida Statutes." This is followed by "Return to:" and a line for "\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT". Below that are lines for "Address" and "City, State Zip Code". At the bottom, in red, is the text "THIS BADGE MUST BE VISIBLE AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON SCHOOL GROUNDS".

Back

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HB 21 Update

Bill Number

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(if applicable)

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Bill Number 2013 HB 21

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Topic Jessica Lunsford

Bill Number 2013 ~~HB~~ 21  
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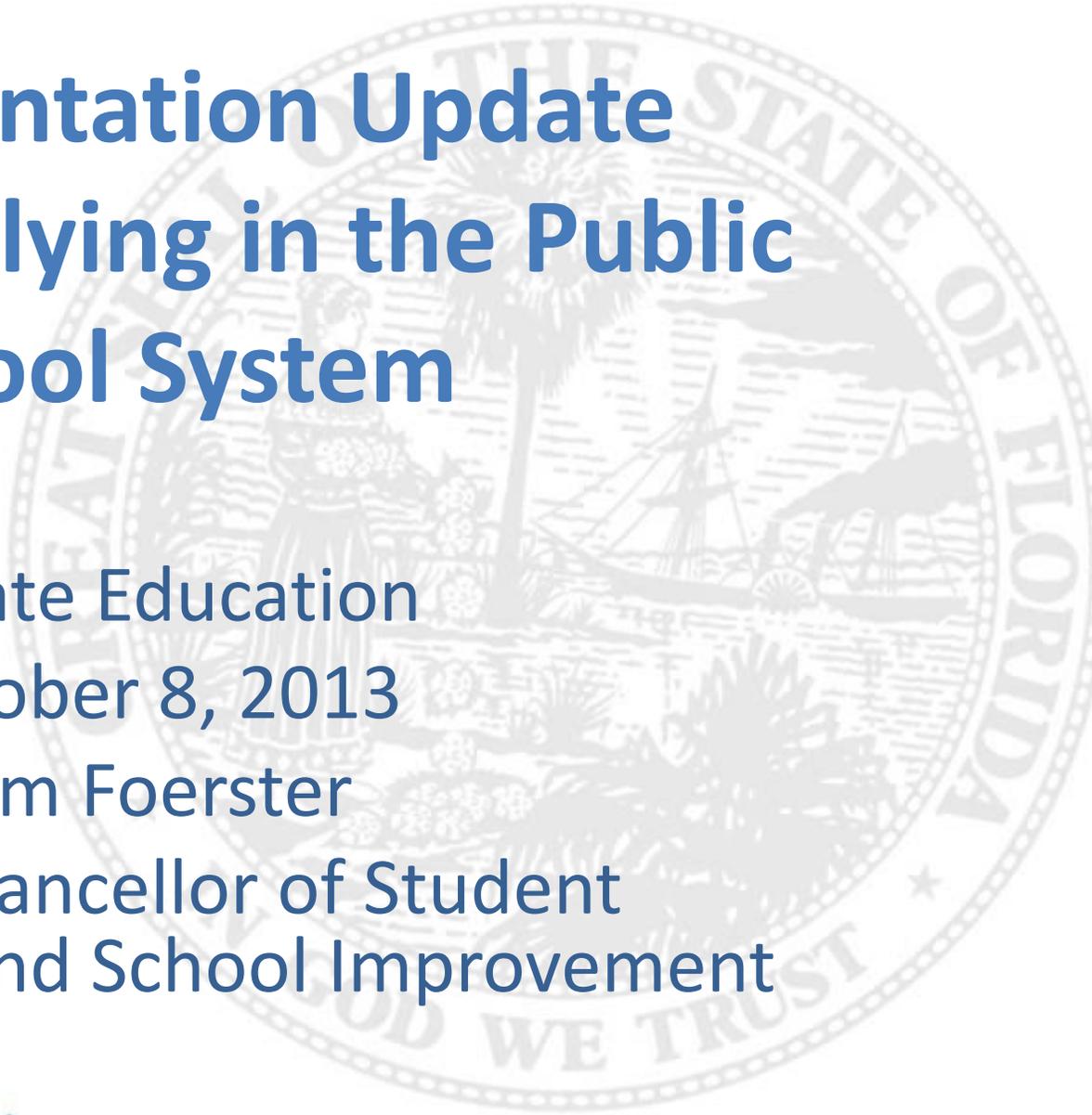
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# Implementation Update HB 609- Bullying in the Public School System

Senate Education

October 8, 2013

Sam Foerster

Deputy Chancellor of Student  
Achievement and School Improvement

# Bill Background

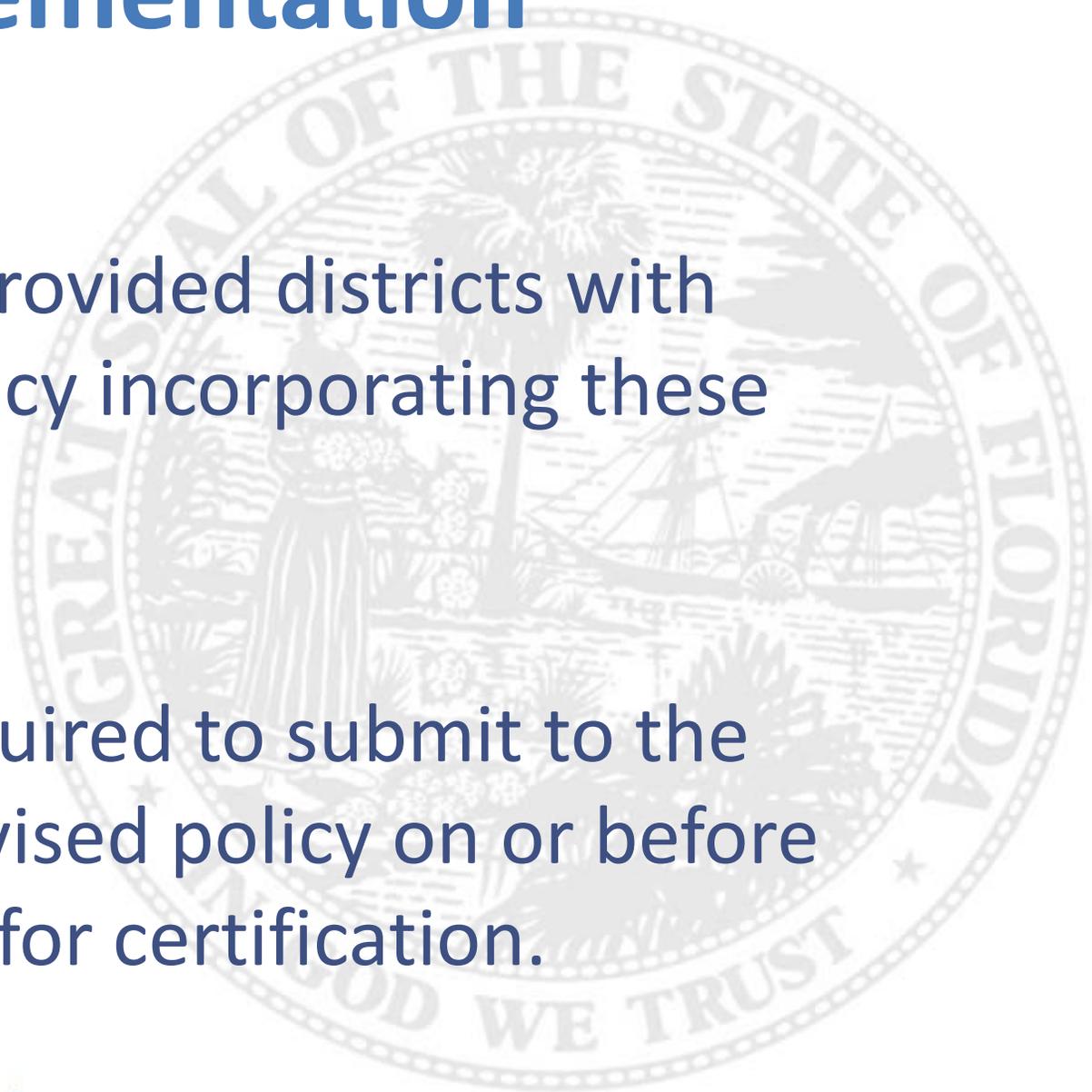
- Signed by Governor on May 30, 2013 as Ch. 2013-87, Laws of Florida
- Representative Fullwood and Senator Bullard
- Purpose – added cyberbullying language to existing bullying/harassment statute s. 1006.147, F.S.

# Contents/Requirements

- Requires districts to revise their policies to:
  - Prohibit cyberbullying;
  - Provide a definition of cyberbullying;
  - Ensure a process exists to investigate reports; and
  - Ensure a process exists to provide instruction on recognizing behaviors and taking appropriate preventative action.

# Implementation

- August 2, 2013 - provided districts with revised model policy incorporating these additions.
- Each district is required to submit to the department its revised policy on or before January 31, 2014, for certification.



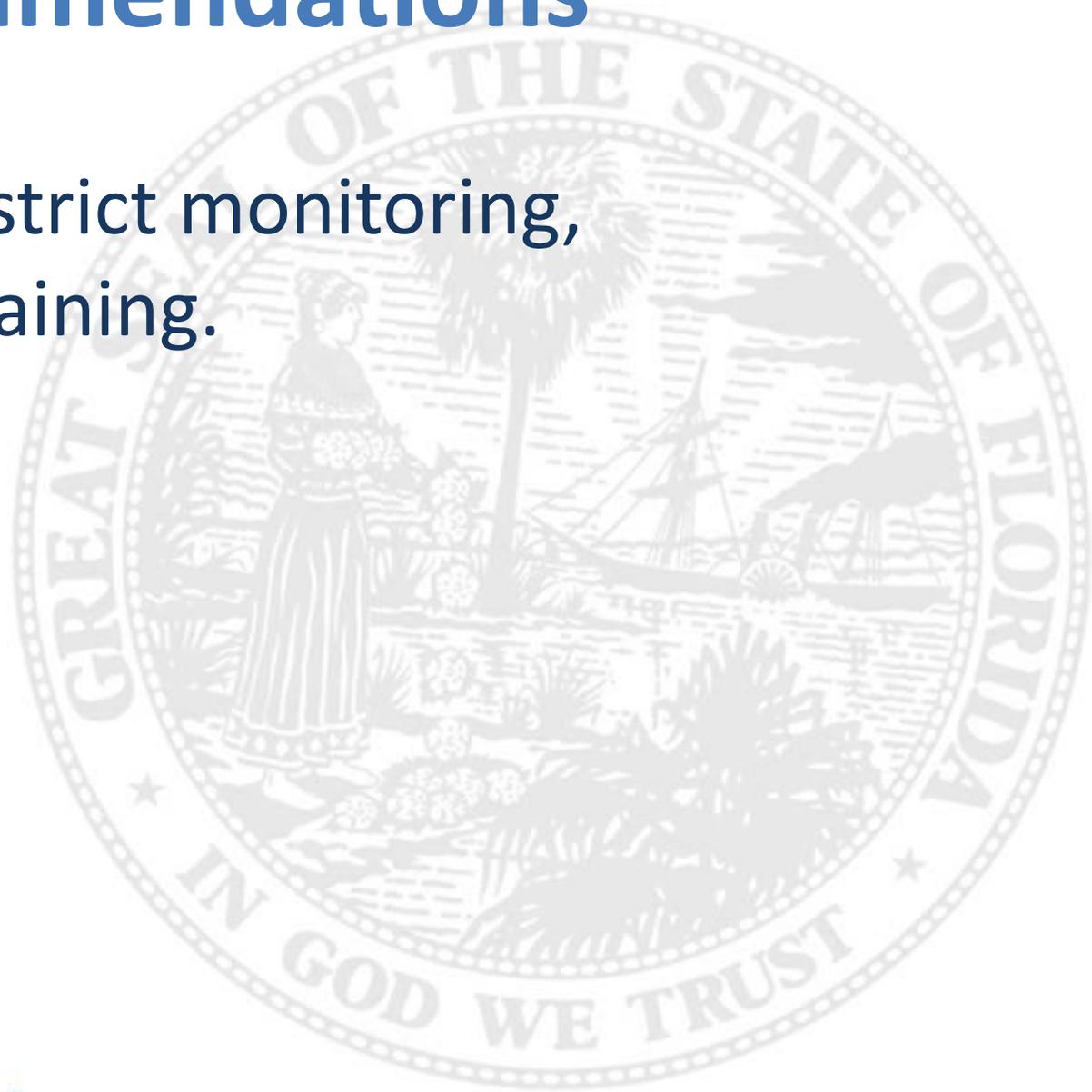
# Observations

- Documentation of cyberbullying activities is challenging.
- Logistical challenges investigation via technology.



# Recommendations

- Assistance with district monitoring, compliance and training.



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Topic Bullying + Harassment (Cyberbullying)

Bill Number \_\_\_\_\_  
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Topic Cyber Bullying

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Topic Bullying

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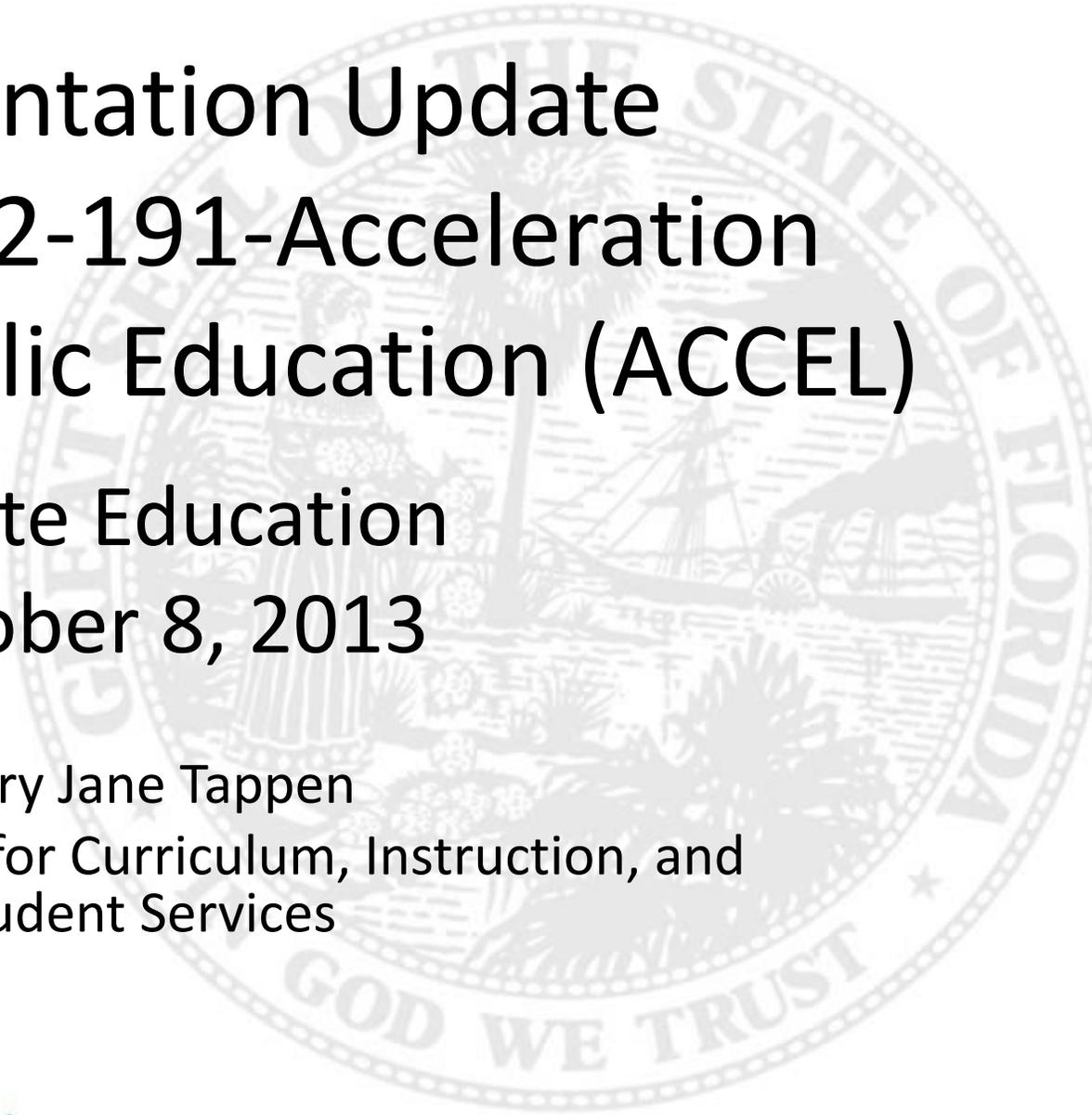
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# Implementation Update Chapter 2012-191-Acceleration Options in Public Education (ACCEL)

Senate Education  
October 8, 2013

Mary Jane Tappen  
Deputy Chancellor for Curriculum, Instruction, and  
Student Services

# Bill Background

- Chapter 2012-91 was Signed by the Governor on April 27, 2012.
- Sponsor: Senator Gaetz and House K 12 Innovation Subcommittee
- Purpose: To provide eligible public school students educational options that provide accelerated instruction and early graduation.
- ACCEL options amended by Ch. 2013-27

# Contents of the Bill

- Section 1003.4281, F.S., was created to specify Academically Challenging Curriculum to Enhance Learning (ACCEL) options
- Each school must offer, at a minimum,
  - Whole-grade and mid-year promotion
  - Subject-matter acceleration
  - Virtual instruction in higher grade level subjects
- Credit Acceleration programs under s. 1003.4295, F.S.

# Content/Requirements

- Each school may offer
  - Enriched science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) coursework
  - Enrichment programs
  - Flexible grouping
  - Advanced academic courses
  - Combined classes
  - Self-paced instruction
  - Curriculum compacting
  - Advanced-content instruction
  - Telescoping curriculum

# Content/Requirements

- School districts are required to establish:
  - Student eligibility and procedural requirements
  - A process by which a parent may request student participation in an ACCEL option that would result in the student attending a different school
- A performance contract must be executed if a student participates in an ACCEL option by parent request
- A performance contract is optional if a principal initiates a student's participation in an ACCEL option

# Content/Requirements

- Require at the beginning of each school year parents be notified of options for early or accelerated graduation.
- Early Graduation still permits the student to participate in school activities and social events.
- Requires career-themed courses within career academies that lead to industry certifications.

# Content/Requirements

- As amended by Ch. 2013-27
- Each school district must offer rigorous industry certifications that are articulated to college credit
- Award of a standard diploma per s. 1003.4282(3)(a)-(e), F.S.
  - Identical to the 24-credit program option except
    - 1 credit PE not required
    - 3 electives instead of 8
    - 18 total credits (student may earn additional credits)

# Student Progression Plans

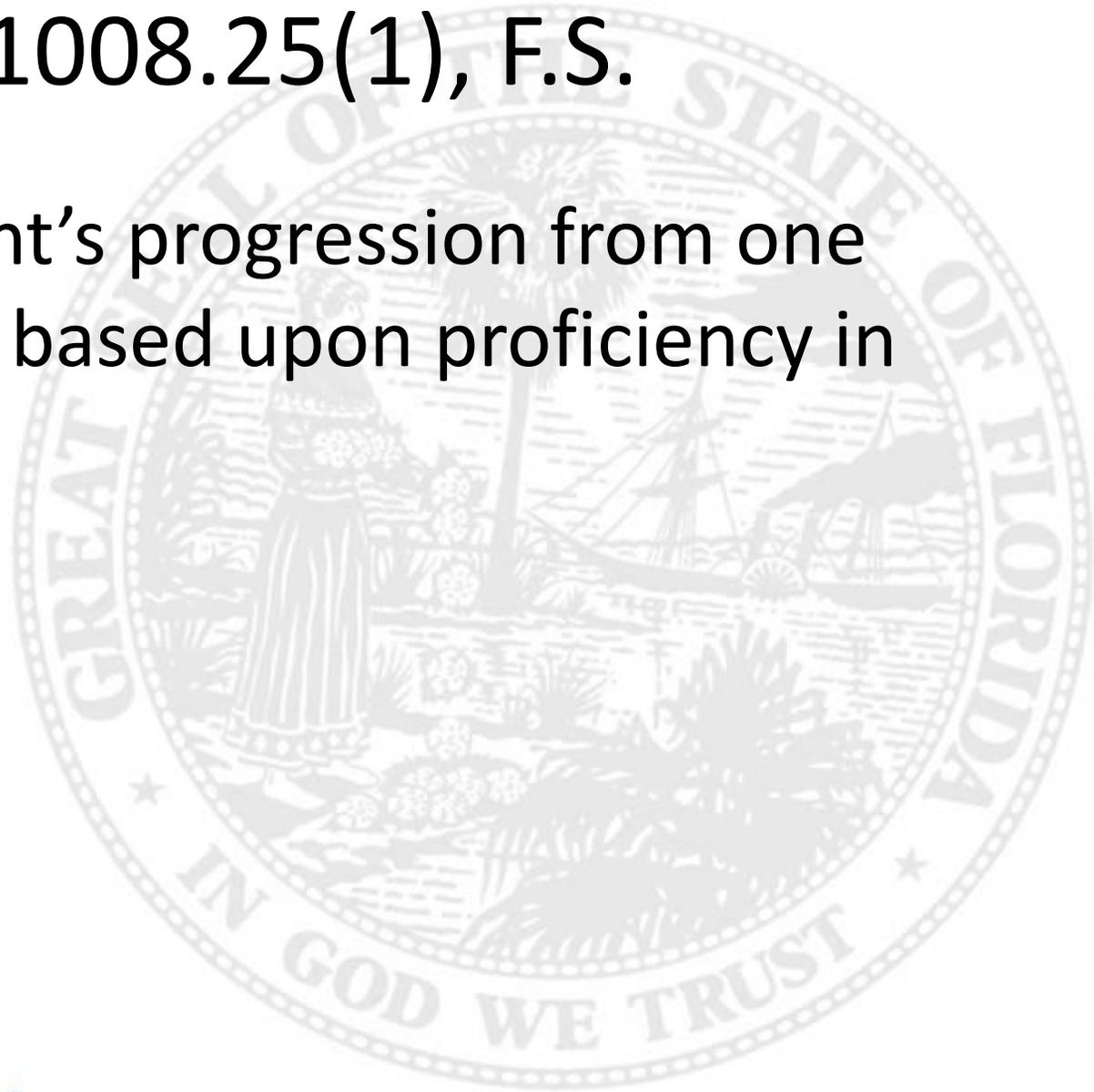
- Section 1008.25, F.S., district school board policies
  - Facilitate student achievement
  - That each student and parent be informed of that student's academic progress
  - That students have access to educational options that provide academically challenging coursework or accelerated instruction pursuant to s. 1002.3105 (ACCEL)

[http://www.duvalschools.org/static/downloads/SP\\_P\\_2013-2014.pdf](http://www.duvalschools.org/static/downloads/SP_P_2013-2014.pdf)

# Student Progression

## Section 1008.25(1), F.S.

- In part, each student's progression from one grade to another is based upon proficiency in
  - Reading
  - Writing
  - Science
  - Mathematics



# Authority – Section 1008.25(2), F.S.

- District school boards must establish a comprehensive program for student progression to include
  - Standards for evaluating each student’s performance
  - Specific levels of performance for academic core areas including
    - the levels of performance on statewide assessments
      - Remediation
      - Retention
  - Appropriate alternative placement for a student who has been retained two or more years

# Academically Challenging Curriculum to Enhance Learning (ACCEL) Options

Section 1008.25(2)(d), F.S.

- School district student progression plan must
    - List student eligibility and procedural requirements and notify parents and students of the district’s process by which a parent may request student participation for
      - whole-grade promotion
      - midyear promotion
      - subject-matter acceleration
- that would result in a student attending a different school.

# ACCEL Options

Section 1008.25(2)(e), F.S.

- School district student progression plan must
  - Advise parents and students
    - That additional ACCEL options may be available at the student's school
    - To contact the principal at the school for information related to student eligibility requirements when the promotion or acceleration occurs
      - Within the principal's school
      - Virtual instruction in higher grade level subjects
      - Any other ACCEL options offered by the principal.

# Additional Student Progression Plan

## Requirements - Section 1008.25(2)(f)-(h), F.S.

- School district student progression plan must
  - List, or incorporate by reference, all dual enrollment courses contained within the dual enrollment articulation agreement
  - Provide instructional sequences by which students in kindergarten through high school may attain higher levels of skill in the use of digital tools and applications
    - Must include participation in curricular and instructional options
    - Must include the demonstration of competence of standards through attainment of industry certifications.

# Additional Student Progression Plan Requirements - Section 1008.25(8)(a), F.S.

- Each district school board must annually report to the parent the student's:
  - Progress toward achieving the state and district expectations for proficiency in reading, writing, science and mathematics based upon:
    - Classroom work
    - Observations
    - Tests
    - District and state assessments
  - Results on each statewide assessment

# Additional Student Progression Plan Requirements -Section 1008.25(8)(b), F.S.

- Annual publication in the local newspaper of
  - The district school board’s policies and procedures on student retention and promotion (student progression plan)
  - By grade, the number and percentage of all students in grades 3-10
    - Performing at Levels 1 and 2 on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) 2.0 Reading
    - Number and percentage of all students retained in grades 3-10
  - Information on the total number of students who were promoted for good cause, by category
  - Any revisions to the district school board’s policy on student retention and promotion from the prior year.

# Department of Education (DOE)

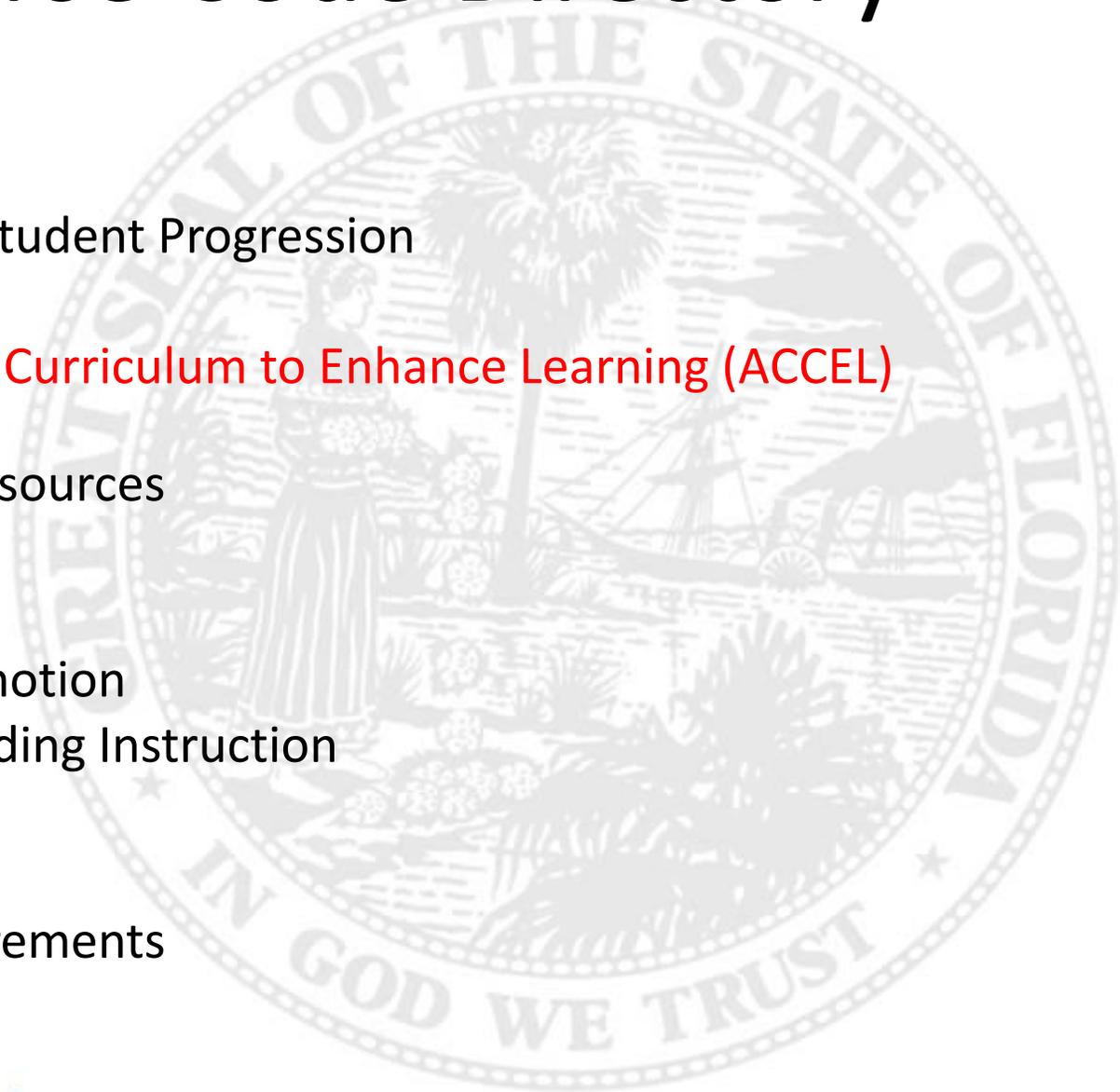
## Responsibilities

- Compiling and reporting statewide student progression summary to the Governor, President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives
- Providing technical assistance:
  - As requested by school districts
  - Presentations to guidance staff
  - Presentations to district instructional staff
  - Technical assistance memos and documents
  - School and parent resources

# 2013-14 Course Code Directory

## C) STUDENT PROGRESSION

1. Legislative Intent
2. Comprehensive Plan for Student Progression
3. Retention Placement
4. Academically Challenging Curriculum to Enhance Learning (ACCEL) Options
5. Allocation of Remedial Resources
6. Assessment
7. Remediation
8. Elimination of Social Promotion
9. Elementary Intensive Reading Instruction
10. Parental Notification
11. Third Grade Retention
12. Annual Reporting Requirements



# History of Results

## Elementary and Middle Grades Students Earning High School Credit

Grade/Year	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>
2010-11	2	2,317	17,119	81,483
2011-12	1	1,511	18,451	87,616
2012-13	4	1,434	19,481	82,830

# History of Results

**Students who Scored 3+ on an AP or AICE Exam or 4+ on an IB Exam or Earned A,B,C, or S in a Dual Enrollment Course on the Student Transcripts or Passed a CAPE Funded Industry Certification**

Year	Total Graduates	Enrolled in an Accelerated Course	Met Above Requirements	%
2010-11	151,138	71,790	51,135	64%
2011-12	148,675	90,549	61,155	68%
2012-13	145,694	94,711	68,687	73%

# History of Results

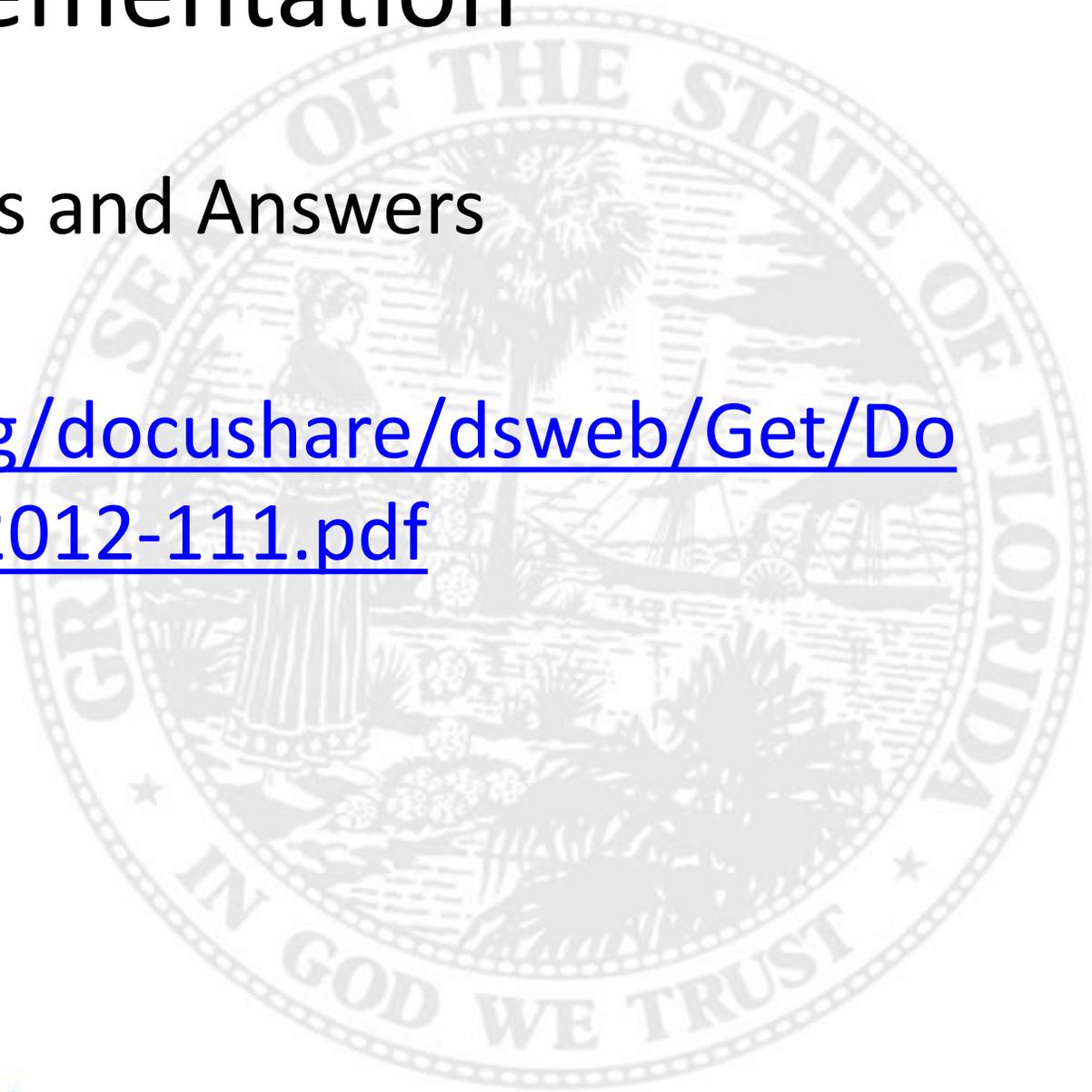
- How many students skipped a grade level the previous year?

Year	Count of Students who Skipped a Grade Level the Previous Year
2010	1,185
2011	1,589
2012	3,362

# Implementation

- HB 7059 Questions and Answers  
Memorandum

<http://info.fldoe.org/docushare/dsweb/Get/Document-6465/dps-2012-111.pdf>



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*Meeting Date*

Topic HB 7059 ACCEL

Bill Number HB 7059  
*(if applicable)*

Name Mary Jane Tappen

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*(if applicable)*

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*State*

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

Representing DOE

Appearing at request of Chair:  Yes  No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature:  Yes  No

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Topic Accel

Bill Number \_\_\_\_\_  
*(if applicable)*

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*(if applicable)*

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State

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

Representing Polk County

Appearing at request of Chair:  Yes  No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature:  Yes  No

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Meeting Date

Topic Bullying / Aecel Implementation Bill Number \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable)

Name Scott Howat (Howit) Amendment Barcode \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable)

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

Representing Orange County Schools

Appearing at request of Chair:  Yes  No Lobbyist registered with Legislature:  Yes  No

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Meeting Date

Topic Bullying + Harassment (Cyberbullying)

Bill Number \_\_\_\_\_  
*(if applicable)*

Name Beth O'Donnell

Amendment Barcode \_\_\_\_\_  
*(if applicable)*

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City

State

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Speaking:  For  Against  Information

Representing Wakulla Co. School District

Appearing at request of Chair:  Yes  No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature:  Yes  No

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# Charter/Collegiate High Schools

Chancellor Randy Hanna,  
Florida College System



# Florida College System Charter/Collegiate High Schools



# Florida College System High Schools

## Non-Chartered

College	School	Grade Levels
Eastern Florida State College	Brevard Public Schools Collegiate HS Program	10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>
Broward College	College Academy at Broward College	Students w/ 14+ HS credits
Daytona State College	Advanced Technology Center	10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>
Miami Dade College	School for Advanced Studies	11 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>
Pensacola State College	Pensacola State Collegiate HS	Age 16+
South Florida State College	Career Academy at South Florida State College	10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>

## Chartered

College	School	Grade Levels
Edison State College	Edison College HS (Charlotte and Lee Campuses)	9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>
Florida State College Jacksonville	Pathways Academy Charter HS	Ages 16-20
Indian River State College	Clark Advanced Learning Center	10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>
Northwest Florida State College	Collegiate HS at Northwest Florida State College	10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>
Polk State College	Chain of Lakes Collegiate HS and PSC Collegiate HS	11 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>
State College of Florida	State College of Florida Collegiate School	6 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>
St. Petersburg College	St. Petersburg Collegiate HS	10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>

# CourtSmart Tag Report

Room: KN 412  
Caption: Senate Education

Case:  
Judge:

Type:

Started: 10/8/2013 9:29:56 AM  
Ends: 10/8/2013 11:30:28 AM Length: 02:00:33

9:29:58 AM Meeting called to order by Chairman Legg  
9:30:47 AM Chairman Legg gives opening comments  
9:30:58 AM Chairman calls for status reports on implementation of policy requirements  
9:32:34 AM CS/CS/HB 723 - Postsecondary Education  
9:36:58 AM Kasonga Butler, Assistant Chancellor, DOE-FCS, on CS/CS/HB 723  
9:37:00 AM Jon Rogers, Director Academic and Student Affairs, Board of Governors, speaking  
9:38:17 AM Senator Sachs - question  
9:39:31 AM Jon Rogers speaking in response  
9:40:12 AM Senator Sachs with follow-up  
9:40:53 AM Jon Rogers in response  
9:41:18 AM Senator Sachs with follow-up  
9:42:25 AM Senator Legg comments  
9:42:36 AM Senator Montford with question  
9:43:05 AM Kasonga Butler in response  
9:43:52 AM Senator Montford with follow-up  
9:44:00 AM Kasonga Butler in response  
9:44:16 AM Senator Montford with follow-up  
9:44:23 AM Kasonga Butler in response  
9:44:28 AM Senator Montford speaking  
9:44:58 AM Kasonga Butler in response  
9:45:14 AM Senator Montford comments  
9:45:26 AM Kasonga Butler in response  
9:45:42 AM Senator Sachs comments/questions  
9:47:10 AM Jon Rogers in response  
9:47:23 AM Chairman Legg asks question  
9:47:38 AM Jon Rogers in response  
9:47:46 AM Chairman Legg comments/question  
9:48:26 AM Jon Rogers in response  
9:48:37 AM Chairman Legg with comments  
9:49:13 AM Chairman starts discussion on HB 21- Background Screening for Noninstructional Contractors on School Grounds  
9:49:28 AM Chairman Legg asks Marian Lambeth, Chief, Office of Professional Practices Services to provide update  
9:50:08 AM Marian Lambeth speaking  
9:55:33 AM Senator Sachs with question  
9:56:36 AM Marian Lambeth with response  
9:57:49 AM Senator Sachs with follow-up  
9:58:12 AM Marian Lambeth with response  
9:58:36 AM Senator Bullard with question  
9:59:22 AM Marian Lambeth with response  
10:00:25 AM Senator Bullard with follow-up  
10:00:54 AM Marian Lambeth with response  
10:01:23 AM Senator Montford with question  
10:02:57 AM Chairman Legg with comments  
10:03:58 AM Marian Lambeth in response  
10:04:04 AM Senator Brandes with question  
10:04:17 AM Marian Lambeth in response  
10:04:52 AM Senator Brandes with follow-up  
10:05:18 AM Chairman Legg with comments/questions  
10:05:27 AM Marian Lambeth in response  
10:06:09 AM Chairman Legg with follow-up comments  
10:06:35 AM Richard Watson, Legislative Counsel, Florida Builders & Contractors of FL, responds  
10:08:34 AM Senator Brandes with questions

10:08:43 AM Richard Watson in response  
10:08:59 AM Maria Lambeth in response  
10:09:09 AM Senator Brandes with follow-up  
10:10:22 AM Chairman Legg comments  
10:10:56 AM Senator Sachs with comments/questions  
10:11:16 AM Richard Watson in response  
10:11:35 AM Senator Galvano comments  
10:11:50 AM Senator Montford comments/questions  
10:13:12 AM Martha Wright, Bureau Chief, FDLE responds  
10:14:57 AM Senator Montford with follow-up  
10:15:16 AM Martha Wright responds  
10:15:44 AM Senator Montford with follow-up  
10:16:00 AM Martha Wright responds  
10:16:51 AM Senator Montford with follow-up  
10:17:03 AM Martha Wright responds  
10:17:14 AM Senator Montford with question  
10:17:26 AM Martha Wright responds  
10:17:42 AM Chairman Legg with comments  
10:17:48 AM Senator Benacquisto with question  
10:18:18 AM Martha Wright responds  
10:18:44 AM Senator Brandes with question  
10:18:56 AM Martha Wright responds  
10:19:41 AM Senator Brandes with follow-up  
10:19:52 AM Martha Wright responds  
10:20:23 AM Chairman Legg comments  
10:20:39 AM Senator Montford comments/question  
10:21:08 AM Martha Wright responds  
10:21:37 AM Senator Montford with question  
10:21:57 AM Martha Wright responds  
10:22:24 AM Chairman Legg comments  
10:22:31 AM Chairman begins discussion on CS/SB 1096 -Repeal of Education Provisions  
10:22:44 AM Tanya Cooper, Director, Governmental Relations, presents  
10:26:57 AM Senator Montford with question  
10:27:09 AM Tanya Cooper in response  
10:27:29 AM Chairman Legg comments  
10:27:35 AM Chairman starts discussion on CS/CS/HB 609 - Bullying in the Public School System  
10:27:46 AM Sam Foerster, Deputy Chancellor of Student Achievement and School Improvement presents  
10:35:38 AM Senator Bullard with question  
10:37:02 AM Sam Foerster in response  
10:38:24 AM Senator Bullard with follow-up  
10:39:41 AM Sam Foerster in response  
10:41:12 AM Senator Sachs with question/comments  
10:42:20 AM Sam Foerster responds  
10:42:46 AM Senator Sachs with follow-up  
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10:45:54 AM Sam Foerster responds  
10:46:51 AM Chairman Legg comments  
10:47:39 AM Sam Foerster comments  
10:48:48 AM Chairman comments  
10:48:54 AM Sgt. Willie Jones, Wakulla County Sheriff's Office with comments  
10:51:00 AM Chairman Legg comments  
10:51:09 AM Beth O'Donnell, Deputy Superintendent, Wakulla County, comments  
10:53:14 AM Nancy Woolcock, Assistant Superintendent of Learning Support, Polk County, comments  
10:55:00 AM Scott Howat, Senior Director, Planning, Government & Labor Relations, Orange County Schools  
10:57:05 AM Senator Stargel with question  
10:57:46 AM Beth O'Donnell in response  
10:58:12 AM Nancy Woolcock in response  
10:58:18 AM Scott Howat in response

10:58:21 AM Senator Bullard with question  
10:58:36 AM Sam Foerster in response  
10:59:17 AM Senator Montford with recognitions  
10:59:58 AM Chairman Legg with comments  
11:00:03 AM Discussion on HB 7059 -Acceleration Options in Public Education, begins  
11:00:19 AM Mary Jane Tappen, Deputy Chancellor for Curriculum, Instruction, and Student Services, presents  
11:07:31 AM Chairman Legg comments  
11:08:05 AM Scott Howat responds  
11:09:37 AM Chairman Legg with follow-up  
11:09:41 AM Scott Howat responds  
11:11:11 AM Jacqueline Byrd, Deputy Superintendent, Polk County responds  
11:12:47 AM Beth O'Donnell responds  
11:17:10 AM Senator Stargel with question  
11:18:03 AM Jacqueline Byrd responds  
11:18:34 AM Senator Bullard with question  
11:19:11 AM Beth O'Donnell responds  
11:19:51 AM Senator Montford with question  
11:20:19 AM Chairman Legg comments on time  
11:20:55 AM Scott Howat responds to Senator Montford's question  
11:21:55 AM Chairman Legg comments  
11:24:26 AM Beth O'Donnell responds  
11:25:53 AM Senator Galvano with comments  
11:26:42 AM Senator Stargel with question  
11:27:04 AM Mary Jane Tappen responds  
11:28:15 AM Chairman Legg comments  
11:28:47 AM Connie Milito, Chief Government Relations Officer, Hillsborough County Public Schools comments  
11:30:10 AM Senator Montford moves to rise  
11:30:17 AM Meeting adjourned



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### SENATOR DAVID SIMMONS

10th District

October 4, 2013

Senator John Legg  
316 Senate Office Building  
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Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100

Dear Senator Legg:

I would like to respectfully request to be excused from the Tuesday, October 8 meeting of the Education Committee. I will be presenting one of my bills in the Judiciary Committee.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 407-234-5002.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Simmons", with a stylized flourish at the end.

David Simmons

cc: Theresa Klebacha, staff director for Education Committee

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