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A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to school performance; amending 3 s. 229.57, F.S.; removing school discipline data from data used to determine a school's 4 5 performance grade category; providing an effective date. б 7 8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 9 10 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (8) of section 11 229.57, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 12 229.57 Student assessment program.--13 (8) DESIGNATION OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE GRADE 14 CATEGORIES. -- School performance grade category designations 15 itemized in subsection (7) shall be based on the following: 16 (a) Timeframes.--1. School performance grade category designations 17 shall be based on one school year of performance. 18 19 In school years 1998-1999 and 1999-2000, a school's 2. 20 performance grade category designation shall be determined by the student achievement levels on the FCAT, and on other 21 appropriate performance data, including, but not limited to, 22 attendance, dropout rate, school discipline data, and student 23 24 readiness for college, in accordance with state board rule. 25 Beginning with the 2000-2001 school year, a 3. 26 school's performance grade category designation shall be based 27 on a combination of student achievement scores as measured by 28 the FCAT, on the degree of measured learning gains of the 29 students, and on other appropriate performance data, including, but not limited to, attendance, dropout rate, 30 31 school discipline data, and student readiness for college. 1

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Beginning with the 2001-2002 school year and 1 4. 2 thereafter, a school's performance grade category designation 3 shall be based on student learning gains as measured by annual FCAT assessments in grades 3 through 10, and on other 4 5 appropriate performance data, including, but not limited to, 6 attendance, dropout rate, school discipline data, cohort 7 graduation rate, and student readiness for college. 8 9 For the purpose of implementing ss. 229.0535 and 229.0537, if any of the four schools that were identified as critically low 10 11 performing, based on both 1996-1997 and 1997-1998 school performance data and state board adopted criteria, receives a 12 13 performance grade category designation of "F," based on 1998-1999 school performance data, that school shall be 14 considered as having failed to make adequate progress for 2 15 16 years in a 4-year period. All other schools that receive a performance grade category designation of "F," based on 17 1998-1999 school performance data, shall be considered as 18 19 having failed to make adequate progress for 1 year. 20 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000. 21 22 23 HOUSE SUMMARY 24 Removes school discipline data from data used to determine a school's performance grade category. 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

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