

## CHAMBER ACTION

Senate House

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The Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 (Gaetz) recommended the following amendment:

## Senate Amendment

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Delete lines 1141 to 1172 and insert:

(2) FINANCIAL EMERGENCY; DEFICIT FUND BALANCE; DEFICIT NET ASSETS; REQUIREMENTS. --

- (a) A charter school and a charter technical career center shall provide for a certified public accountant or auditor to conduct an annual financial audit in accordance with s. 218.39.
- The charter shall ensure that, if a charter school or charter technical career center internal audit or annual financial audit reveals one or more of the conditions in s.

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218.503(1) have occurred or will occur if action is not taken or a deficit fund balance or deficit net assets, the auditor must notify the governing board of the charter school or charter technical career center, as appropriate, the sponsor, and the Commissioner of Education.

- (c) When a financial audit conducted by a certified public accountant or auditor in accordance with s. 218.503 reveals that one or more of the conditions in s. 218.503(1) have occurred or will occur if action is not taken or a deficit fund balance or deficit net assets exists, the auditor shall notify and provide the financial audit to the governing board of the charter school or charter technical career center, as appropriate, the sponsor, and the Commissioner of Education, within 7 working days after the finding is made.
  - 1. The internal auditor shall:
- a. Report the findings in the form of an exit interview with the principal or the principal administrator of the charter school or the director of the charter technical career center, as appropriate, and the chair of the governing board, within 7 working days after the finding is made.
- b. Provide a final report to all members of the governing board, the sponsor, and the Department of Education within 14 working days after the exit interview.
- 2. When the charter school or charter technical career center is found to be in a state of financial emergency pursuant to s. 218.503 (4), the charter school or charter technical career center shall file a detailed financial recovery plan as provided for in s. 218.503 with the sponsor within 30 days after



44	being notified by the Commissioner	of Education	that a	financial
45	recovery plan is needed.			

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