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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to education funding; amending s.
3	1001.20, F.S.; requiring that the Office of Technology
4	and Information Services within the Office of the
5	Commissioner of Education assist school districts in
6	securing Internet access and telecommunications
7	services that are eligible for funding under the
8	Schools and Libraries Program of the federal Universal
9	Service Fund; creating s. 1001.271, F.S.; requiring
10	that the Commissioner of Education purchase the
11	nondiscounted portion of Internet access services for
12	the Florida Information Resource Network; requiring
13	that each user of the network identify the source of
14	funds in its requisition; amending s. 1001.28, F.S.;
15	revising the Department of Education's duties
16	regarding distance learning; amending s. 1001.395,
17	F.S.; requiring that the salary of district school
18	board members be the same amount as the annual
19	calculation or the salary of members of the
20	Legislature, whichever is less, for a specified
21	period; amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; clarifying
22	provisions authorizing the payment of earned leave and
23	benefits accrued by a district school board employee
24	before his or her employment contract expires;
25	amending s. 1001.451, F.S.; delaying the expiration of
26	provisions relating to the amount of funding
27	distributed to each school district and eligible
28	member of a regional consortium service organization;
29	amending s. 1001.47, F.S.; authorizing elected
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30	district school superintendents to reduce their salary
31	rates on a voluntary basis; requiring that each
32	elected district school superintendent's salary be
33	reduced by 5 percent for the 2009-2010 fiscal year;
34	amending s. 1001.50, F.S.; clarifying provisions
35	authorizing the payment of earned leave and benefits
36	accrued by a district school superintendent before his
37	or her employment contract terminates; limiting the
38	amount of remuneration that a district school
39	superintendent receives annually from state funds;
40	providing a definition for the term "remuneration";
41	limiting the use of the superintendent's compensation
42	in calculating benefits under ch. 121, F.S.;
43	encouraging district school boards and superintendents
44	to review the superintendent's annual remuneration for
45	the 2009-2010 fiscal year and mutually agree to at
46	least a 5 percent reduction; amending s. 1002.33,
47	F.S.; requiring that a charter school comply with the
48	class-size requirements; amending s. 1002.37, F.S.;
49	redefining the definition of the term "full-time
50	equivalent student" as it relates to funding for the
51	Florida Virtual School and virtual instruction;
52	amending s. 1002.45, F.S.; conforming provisions to
53	changes made by the act; amending s. 1002.71, F.S.;
54	revising provisions relating to the funding of
55	prekindergarten programs; amending s. 1003.03, F.S.;
56	extending dates relating to the calculation of the
57	number of students for purposes of complying with the
58	maximum-class-size requirement; providing duties for
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59	the Department of Education if the department
60	determines that the number of students assigned to any
61	individual class exceeds the class size maximum;
62	providing for the reduction of the class-size-
63	reduction operating categorical allocation under
64	certain circumstances; requiring that the department
65	prepare a simulated calculation; amending s. 1006.06,
66	F.S.; providing that universal school breakfast
67	programs be offered only in schools in which 80
68	percent or more of the students are eligible for free
69	or reduced meals; revising provisions relating to
70	school breakfast programs to include state
71	allocations; amending s. 1006.28, F.S.; clarifying the
72	definition of the term "adequate instructional
73	materials"; amending s. 1006.36, F.S.; extending the
74	term of adoption for instructional materials; amending
75	s. 1006.40, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes
76	made by the act; amending s. 1008.29, F.S.; requiring
77	that the State Board of Education adopt rules
78	establishing fees for the administration of the
79	college-level communications and mathematics skills
80	examination to public postsecondary students; amending
81	s. 1008.41, F.S.; authorizing rather than requiring
82	the Commissioner of Education to employ the Florida
83	Information Resource Network to perform certain
84	functions relating to workforce education; creating s.
85	1010.06, F.S.; prohibiting the Division of Public
86	Schools within the Department of Education from using
87	state funds appropriated by the Legislature to pay

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88	indirect cost to a university, community college,
89	school district, or other entity; amending s. 1010.11,
90	F.S.; authorizing each district school board,
91	community college board of trustees, and university
92	board of trustees to electronically transfer funds for
93	payment; amending s. 1011.09, F.S.; prohibiting a
94	district school board from using funds for out-of-
95	state travel, cellular phones, cellular phone service,
96	personal digital assistants, or any other mobile
97	wireless communication device or service through any
98	means, unless specifically approved by the district
99	school board; amending s. 1011.18, F.S.; authorizing a
100	district school superintendent to transfer funds from
101	a district school depository to pay expenses,
102	expenditures, or other disbursements if proper
103	documentation is provided; amending s. 1011.60, F.S.;
104	revising the minimum requirements for the Florida
105	Education Finance Program relating to the term of
106	operation; amending s. 1011.61, F.S.; redefining the
107	term "full-time equivalent student"; amending s.
108	1011.62, F.S.; requiring that a student who is
109	enrolled in study hall not be included in the
110	calculation of full-time equivalent student membership
111	for funding purposes; decreasing the amount of certain
112	bonuses for teachers; decreasing the value of full-
113	time equivalent student membership calculated on the
114	basis of international baccalaureate examination
115	scores; decreasing the value of full-time equivalent
116	student membership calculated on the basis of college

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117	board advanced placement scores; decreasing the value
118	of full-time equivalent student membership calculated
119	on the basis of certification of successful completion
120	of industry-certified career and professional academy
121	programs; deleting certain provisions that provide a
122	calculation for additional full-time equivalent
123	membership for students enrolled in the Florida
124	Virtual School; revising certain provisions relating
125	to the amount that each school district is required to
126	provide annually toward the cost of the Florida
127	Education Finance Program; extending a date relating
128	to categorical funds for instructional materials;
129	deleting provisions relating to the total allocation
130	of state funds to each district for current operation
131	for the FEFP; creating s. 1011.675, F.S.; creating a
132	discretionary bonus allocation for school districts to
133	recognize and reward the outstanding performance of
134	students, teachers, and school-based administrators;
135	providing that the funds be allocated to each school
136	district as provided in the General Appropriations
137	Act; authorizing school districts to use the funds for
138	certain programs or any other purpose it deems
139	appropriate; repealing s. 1011.68(7), F.S., relating
140	to funds for student transportation; removing a
141	provision that authorizes a district school board to
142	transfer funds to its Florida Education Finance
143	Program; amending s. 1011.685, F.S.; revising
144	provisions relating to class size reduction operating
145	categorical funds; amending s. 1011.71, F.S.; revising
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146	certain provisions relating to the district school
147	tax; waiving the three-fourths limit for certain
148	lease-purchase agreements for a specified period;
149	authorizing district school boards to levy an
150	additional discretionary millage for certain
151	operations; authorizing the Commissioner of Education
152	to waive the equal-dollar reduction in Florida
153	Education Finance Program funds if he or she finds
154	that a school district acted in good faith; amending
155	s. 1012.33, F.S.; revising provisions relating to
156	contracts for instructional staff; advising a district
157	school board not to enter into a new professional
158	service contract if the only available funds are from
159	nonrecurring Federal Stabilization Funds; amending s.
160	1012.71, F.S.; authorizing the Department of Education
161	to conduct a pilot program to determine the
162	feasibility of managing the Florida Teachers Lead
163	Program through a centralized electronic system;
164	providing requirements for such pilot program;
165	providing that participation in the pilot program is
166	voluntary; authorizing the department to limit the
167	number of participants to adequately test the
168	viability of the pilot program; amending s. 1013.62,
169	F.S.; revising the criteria for determining a charter
170	school's eligibility for capital outlay funding;
171	amending s. 1013.64, F.S.; requiring that the school
172	districts of Wakulla County and Liberty County
173	contribute specific millage amounts to the cost of
174	current special facilities projects for specified

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175	fiscal years; repealing s. 9 of chapter 2008-142, Laws
176	of Florida; abrogating the expiration of certain
177	amendments relating to categorical funding for the
178	operation of schools; providing for implementation of
179	specified appropriations; providing for the
180	incorporation by reference of certain calculations
181	used by the Legislature for the 2009-2010 fiscal year;
182	providing an effective date.
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184	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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186	Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section
187	1001.20, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
188	1001.20 Department under direction of state board
189	(4) The Department of Education shall establish the
190	following offices within the Office of the Commissioner of
191	Education which shall coordinate their activities with all other
192	divisions and offices:
193	(a) Office of Technology and Information Services.—
194	Responsible for developing a systemwide technology plan, making
195	budget recommendations to the commissioner, providing data
196	collection and management for the system, assisting school
197	districts in securing Internet access and telecommunications
198	services, including those eligible for funding under the Schools
199	and Libraries Program of the federal Universal Service Fund, and
200	coordinating services with other state, local, and private
201	agencies. The office shall develop a method to address the need
202	for a statewide approach to planning and operations of library
203	and information services to achieve a single K-20 education
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204	system library information portal and a unified higher education
205	library management system. The Florida Virtual School shall be
206	administratively housed within the office.
207	Section 2. Section 1001.271, Florida Statutes, is created
208	to read:
209	1001.271 Florida Information Resource NetworkUpon
210	requisition by school districts, community colleges,
211	universities, or other eligible users of the Florida Information
212	Resource Network, the Commissioner of Education shall purchase
213	the nondiscounted portion of Internet access services,
214	including, but not limited to, circuits, encryption, content
215	filtering, support, and any other services needed for the
216	effective and efficient operation of the network. Each user
217	shall identify in its requisition the source of funds from which
218	the commissioner is to make payments.
219	Section 3. Subsection (2) of section 1001.28, Florida
220	Statutes, is amended to read:
221	1001.28 Distance learning duties.—The duties of the
222	Department of Education concerning distance learning include,
223	but are not limited to, the duty to:
224	(2) Coordinate the use of existing resources, including,
225	but not limited to, the state's satellite transponders on the
226	education satellites, the SUNCOM Network, the Florida
227	Information Resource Network (FIRN), the Florida Knowledge
228	Network, the Department of Management Services, the Department
229	of Corrections, and the Department of Children and Family
230	Services' satellite communication facilities to support a
231	statewide advanced telecommunications services and distance
232	learning <u>initiatives</u> network .
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234	Nothing in this section shall be construed to abrogate,
235	supersede, alter, or amend the powers and duties of any state
236	agency, district school board, community college board of
237	trustees, university board of trustees, the Board of Governors,
238	or the State Board of Education.
239	Section 4. Subsection (3) is added to section 1001.395,
240	Florida Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 2009-3,
241	Laws of Florida, to read:
242	1001.395 District school board members; compensation
243	(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section and s.
244	145.19, for the 2009-2010 fiscal year the salary of each
245	district school board member shall be the amount calculated
246	pursuant to subsection (1) or the salary of members of the
247	Legislature, pursuant to s. 11.13 or any other law, whichever is
248	less.
249	Section 5. Subsection (25) of section 1001.42, Florida
250	Statutes, as created by section 2 of chapter 2009-3, Laws of
251	Florida, is amended to read:
252	1001.42 Powers and duties of district school boardThe
253	district school board, acting as a board, shall exercise all
254	powers and perform all duties listed below:
255	(25) EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS. On or after February 1, 2009, A
256	district school board may not enter into an employment contract
257	that is funded from state funds and that requires the district
258	to pay <u>from state funds</u> an employee an amount in excess of 1
259	year of the employee's annual salary for termination, buy-out,
260	or any other type of contract settlement. This subsection does
261	not prohibit the payment of earned leave and benefits in

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262	accordance with the district's leave and benefits policies which
263	were accrued by the employee before the contract terminates.
264	Section 6. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section
265	1001.451, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
266	1001.451 Regional consortium service organizations.—In
267	order to provide a full range of programs to larger numbers of
268	students, minimize duplication of services, and encourage the
269	development of new programs and services:
270	(2)
271	(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), the appropriation for
272	the <u>2009-2010</u>
273	school district and eligible member. If the amount appropriated
274	is insufficient to provide \$50,000, the funds available must be
275	prorated among all eligible districts and members. This
276	paragraph expires July 1, <u>2010</u> 2009 .
277	Section 7. Subsections (6) and (7) are added to section
278	1001.47, Florida Statutes, to read:
279	1001.47 District school superintendent; salary
280	(6) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section and s.
281	145.19, elected district school superintendents may reduce their
282	salary rate on a voluntary basis.
283	(7) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section and s.
284	145.19, for the 2009-2010 fiscal year the salary of each elected
285	district school superintendent calculated pursuant to s. 1001.47
286	shall be reduced by 5 percent.
287	Section 8. Subsection (2) of section 1001.50, Florida
288	Statutes, as amended by section 3 of chapter 2009-3, Laws of
289	Florida, is amended, and subsections (5) and (6) are added to
290	that section, to read:

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291 1001.50 Superintendents employed under Art. IX of the State 292 Constitution.-

(2) The district school board of each of such districts 293 294 shall enter into contracts of employment with the district 295 school superintendent and shall adopt rules relating to his or 296 her appointment; however, on or after February 1, 2009, the 297 district school board may not enter into an employment contract 298 that is funded from state funds and that requires the district 299 to pay from state funds a superintendent an amount in excess of 300 1 year of the superintendent's annual salary for termination, 301 buy-out, or any other type of contract settlement. This subsection does not prohibit the payment of earned leave and 302 benefits in accordance with the district's leave and benefits 303 304 policies which were accrued by the superintendent before the 305 contract terminates.

306 (5) Notwithstanding any other law, resolution, or rule to 307 the contrary, a district school superintendent employed under 308 this section may not receive more than \$225,000 in remuneration 309 annually from state funds. As used in this subsection, the term 310 "remuneration" means salary, bonuses, and cash-equivalent 311 compensation paid to a district school superintendent by his or 312 her employer for work performed, excluding health insurance benefits and retirement benefits. Only compensation, as defined 313 314 in s. 121.021(22), which is provided to a district school 315 superintendent may be used in calculating benefits under chapter 121. 316 317 (6) District school boards and superintendents employed 318 pursuant to this section are encouraged to review the

319 <u>superintendent's annual remuneration for the 2009-2010 fiscal</u>

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320 year and mutually agree to a reduction of at least 5 percent. 321 Section 9. Paragraph (a) of subsection (16) of section 1002.33, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 322 323 1002.33 Charter schools.-324 (16) EXEMPTION FROM STATUTES.-325 (a) A charter school shall operate in accordance with its 326 charter and shall be exempt from all statutes in chapters 1000-327 1013. However, a charter school shall be in compliance with the 328 following statutes in chapters 1000-1013: 329 1. Those statutes specifically applying to charter schools, 330 including this section. 331 2. Those statutes pertaining to the student assessment 332 program and school grading system. 333 3. Those statutes pertaining to the provision of services to students with disabilities. 334 335 4. Those statutes pertaining to civil rights, including s. 336 1000.05, relating to discrimination. 337 5. Those statutes pertaining to student health, safety, and 338 welfare. 339 6. Those statutes pertaining to class size. 340 Section 10. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (3) of 341 section 1002.37, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 342 1002.37 The Florida Virtual School.-343 (3) Funding for the Florida Virtual School shall be provided as follows: 344 345 (a) A "full-time equivalent student" for the Florida 346 Virtual School is one student who has successfully completed six 347 credits in core curricula courses which that shall count toward 348 the minimum number of credits required for high school

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349	graduation. A student who completes fewer less than six credits
350	in core curricula courses shall be a fraction of a full-time
351	equivalent student. Half-credit completions shall be included in
352	determining a full-time equivalent student. Credit completed by
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	a student in excess of the minimum required for that student for
354	high school graduation is not eligible for funding.
355	(b) Full-time equivalent student credit completed through
356	the Florida Virtual School, including credits completed during
357	the summer, shall be reported to the Department of Education in
358	the manner prescribed by the department and shall be funded
359	through the Florida Education Finance Program. <u>The maximum value</u>
360	for funding a full-time equivalent student in kindergarten
361	through grade 12, including credits earned through the Florida
362	Virtual School during the summer, combined with credits and FTE
363	earned through a school district may not exceed one full-time
364	equivalent membership per student per year as provided in s.
365	1011.61(4).
366	Section 11. Paragraph (c) of subsection (7) of section
367	1002.45, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
368	1002.45 School district virtual instruction programs
369	(7) FUNDING
370	(c) Full-time or part-time school district virtual
371	instruction program courses provided under this section for
372	students in grades 9 through 12 are limited to Department of
373	Juvenile Justice programs, dropout prevention programs, and
374	career and vocational programs.
375	Section 12. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) and paragraph
376	(d) of subsection (6) of section 1002.71, Florida Statutes, as
377	amended by section 7 of chapter 2009-3, Laws of Florida, are
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378 amended to read:

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1002.71 Funding; financial and attendance reporting.-

(4) Notwithstanding s. 1002.53(3) and subsection (2):

381 (a) A child who, for any of the prekindergarten programs 382 listed in s. 1002.53(3), has not completed more than 70 $\frac{10}{10}$ 383 percent of the hours authorized to be reported for funding under 384 subsection (2) may withdraw from the program for good cause and τ 385 reenroll in one of the programs, and be reported for funding 386 purposes as a full-time equivalent student in the program for 387 which the child is reenrolled. The total funding for a child who 388 reenrolls in one of the programs for good cause may shall not exceed one full-time equivalent student. Funding for a child who 389 390 withdraws and reenrolls in one of the programs for good cause 391 shall be issued in accordance with the agency's uniform 392 attendance policy adopted pursuant to paragraph (6)(d).

394 A child may reenroll only once in a prekindergarten program 395 under this section. A child who reenrolls in a prekindergarten 396 program under this subsection may not subsequently withdraw from 397 the program and reenroll. The Agency for Workforce Innovation 398 shall establish criteria specifying whether a good cause exists 399 for a child to withdraw from a program under paragraph (a), 400 whether a child has substantially completed a program under 401 paragraph (b), and whether an extreme hardship exists which is 402 beyond the child's or parent's control under paragraph (b). 403 (6)

(d) The Agency for Workforce Innovation shall adopt, for
funding purposes, a uniform attendance policy for the Voluntary
Prekindergarten Education Program. The attendance policy must

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407 apply statewide and apply equally to all private prekindergarten 408 providers and public schools. The attendance policy must 409 establish a minimum requirement for student attendance and 410 include <u>at least</u> the following provisions:

1. Beginning with the 2009-2010 fiscal year for school-year programs, a student's attendance may be reported on a pro rata basis as a fractional part of a full-time equivalent student and the 2009 summer program, a student who meets the minimum requirement of 80 percent of the total number of hours for the program may be reported as a full-time equivalent student for funding purposes.

418 2. At a maximum, 20 percent of the total payment made on 419 behalf of a student to a private prekindergarten provider or a 420 public school may be for hours a student is absent. A student 421 who does not meet the minimum requirement may be reported only 422 as a fractional part of a full-time equivalent student, reduced 423 pro rata based on the student's attendance.

3. <u>A private prekindergarten provider or public school may</u> not receive payment for absences that occur before a student's first day of attendance or after a student's last day of attendance. A student who does not meet the minimum requirement may be reported as a full-time equivalent student if the student is absent for good cause in accordance with exceptions specified in the uniform attendance policy.

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The uniform attendance policy shall be used only for funding purposes and does not prohibit a private prekindergarten provider or public school from adopting and enforcing its attendance policy under paragraphs (a) and (c).

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436	Section 13. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) and subsection
437	(4) of section 1003.03, Florida Statutes, as amended by section
438	9 of chapter 2009-3, Laws of Florida, are amended to read:
439	1003.03 Maximum class size
440	(2) IMPLEMENTATION
441	(b) Determination of the number of students per classroom
442	in paragraph (a) shall be calculated as follows:
443	1. For fiscal years 2003-2004 through 2005-2006, the
444	calculation for compliance for each of the 3 grade groupings
445	shall be the average at the district level.
446	2. For fiscal years 2006-2007 through 2009-2010 2008-2009 ,
447	the calculation for compliance for each of the 3 grade groupings
448	shall be the average at the school level.
449	3. For fiscal year 2010-2011 2009-2010 and thereafter, the
450	calculation for compliance shall be at the individual classroom
451	level.
452	4. For fiscal years 2006-2007 through 2009-2010 and
453	thereafter, each teacher assigned to any classroom shall be
454	included in the calculation for compliance.
455	(4) ACCOUNTABILITY
456	(a)1. Beginning in the <u>2009-2010</u>
457	the department determines for any year that a school district
458	has not reduced average class size as required in subsection (2)
459	at the time of the third FEFP calculation, the department shall
460	calculate an amount from the class size reduction operating
461	categorical which is proportionate to the amount of class size
462	reduction not accomplished. Upon verification of the
463	department's calculation by the Florida Education Finance
464	Program Appropriation Allocation Conference and not later than

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465 March 1 of each year, the Executive Office of the Governor shall 466 transfer undistributed funds equivalent to the calculated amount 467 from the district's class size reduction operating categorical 468 to an approved fixed capital outlay appropriation for class size 469 reduction in the affected district pursuant to s. 216.292(2)(d). 470 The amount of funds transferred shall be the lesser of the 471 amount verified by the Florida Education Finance Program 472 Appropriation Allocation Conference or the undistributed balance 473 of the district's class size reduction operating categorical.

474 2. In lieu of the transfer required by subparagraph 1., the 475 Commissioner of Education may recommend a budget amendment, 476 subject to approval by the Legislative Budget Commission, to 477 transfer an alternative amount of funds from the district's 478 class size reduction operating categorical to its approved fixed 479 capital outlay account for class size reduction if the 480 commissioner finds that the State Board of Education has 481 reviewed evidence indicating that a district has been unable to 482 meet class size reduction requirements despite appropriate 483 effort to do so. The commissioner's budget amendment must be 484 submitted to the Legislative Budget Commission by February 15 of 485 each year.

486 3. For the 2007-2008 fiscal year and thereafter, if in any 487 fiscal year funds from a district's class size operating 488 categorical are required to be transferred to its fixed capital 489 outlay fund and the district's class size operating categorical 490 allocation in the General Appropriations Act for that fiscal 491 year has been reduced by a subsequent appropriation, the 492 Commissioner of Education may recommend a 50-percent reduction 493 in the amount of the transfer.

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494	(b) Beginning in the 2010-2011 fiscal year and each year
495	thereafter, if the department determines that the number of
496	students assigned to any individual class exceeds the class size
497	maximum, as required in subsection (2), at the time of the third
498	FEFP calculation, the department shall:
499	1. Identify, for each grade group, the number of classes in
500	which the enrollment exceeds the maximum, the number of students
501	which exceed the maximum for each such class, and the total
502	number of students which exceed the maximum for all classes.
503	2. Determine the number of full-time equivalent students
504	which exceed the maximum class size for each grade group.
505	3. Multiply the total number of FTE students which exceed
506	the maximum class size for each grade group by the district's
507	FTE dollar amount of the class-size-reduction allocation for
508	that year and calculate the total for all three grade groups.
509	4. Reduce the district's class-size-reduction operating
510	categorical allocation by an amount equal to the sum of the
511	calculation in subparagraph 3.
512	(c) Upon verification of the department's calculation by
513	the Florida Education Finance Program Appropriation Allocation
514	Conference and no later than March 1 of each year, the Executive
515	Office of the Governor shall place these funds in reserve and
516	the undistributed funds shall revert to the General Revenue Fund
517	unallocated at the end of the fiscal year. The amount of funds
518	reduced shall be the lesser of the amount verified by the
519	Florida Education Finance Program Appropriation Allocation
520	Conference or the undistributed balance of the district's class-
521	size-reduction operating categorical allocation.
522	(d) In lieu of the reduction calculation in paragraph (b),

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523	the Commissioner of Education may recommend a budget amendment,
524	subject to approval of the Legislative Budget Commission, to
525	reduce an alternative amount of funds from the district's class-
526	size-reduction operating categorical allocation. The
527	commissioner's budget amendment must be submitted to the
528	Legislative Budget Commission by February 15 of each year.
529	(e) In addition to the calculation required in paragraph
530	(a), at the time of the third FEFP calculation for the 2009-2010
531	fiscal year, the department shall also prepare a simulated
532	calculation based on the requirements in paragraphs (b) and (c)
533	for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. This simulated calculation shall
534	be provided to the school districts and the Legislature.
535	(b) Beginning in the 2005-2006 school year, the department
536	shall determine by January 15 of each year which districts have
537	not met the two-student-per-year reduction required in
538	subsection (2) based upon a comparison of the district's October
539	student membership survey for the current school year and the
540	February 2003 baseline student membership survey. The department
541	shall report such districts to the Legislature. Each district
542	that has not met the two-student-per-year reduction shall be
543	required to implement one of the following policies in the
544	subsequent school year unless the department finds that the
545	district comes into compliance based upon the February student
546	membership survey:
547	1. Year-round schools;
548	2. Double sessions;
549	3. Rezoning; or
550	4. Maximizing use of instructional staff by changing
551	required teacher loads and scheduling of planning periods,
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552	deploying school district employees who have professional
553	certification to the classroom, using adjunct educators,
554	operating schools beyond the normal operating hours to provide
555	classes in the evening, or operating more than one session
556	during the day.
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558	A school district that is required to implement one of the
559	policies outlined in subparagraphs 14. shall correct in the
560	year of implementation any past deficiencies and bring the
561	district into compliance with the two-student-per-year reduction
562	goals established for the district by the department pursuant to
563	subsection (2). A school district may choose to implement more
564	than one of these policies. The district school superintendent
565	shall report to the Commissioner of Education the extent to
566	which the district implemented any of the policies outlined in
567	subparagraphs 14. in a format to be specified by the
568	Commissioner of Education. The Department of Education shall use
569	the enforcement authority provided in s. 1008.32 to ensure that
570	districts comply with the provisions of this paragraph.
571	(c) Beginning in the 2006-2007 school year, the department
572	shall annually determine which districts do not meet the
573	requirements described in subsection (2). In addition to
574	enforcement authority provided in s. 1008.32, the Department of
575	Education shall develop a constitutional compliance plan for
576	each such district which includes, but is not limited to,
577	redrawing school attendance zones to maximize use of facilities
578	while minimizing the additional use of transportation unless the
579	department finds that the district comes into compliance based
580	upon the February student membership survey and the other

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581 accountability policies listed in paragraph (b). Each district 582 school board shall implement the constitutional compliance plan developed by the state board until the district complies with 583 584 the constitutional class size maximums. 585 Section 14. Paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (5) of 586 section 1006.06, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 587 1006.06 School food service programs.-588 (5) (a) Each district school board shall implement school 589 breakfast programs that make breakfast meals available to all 590 students in each elementary school. By the beginning of the 2010-2011 school year, the school breakfast programs shall make 591 592 breakfast meals available to all students in each elementary, 593 middle, and high school. However, universal school breakfast 594 programs shall be offered only in schools in which 80 percent or 595 more of the students are eligible for free or reduced meals. 596 Each school shall, to the maximum extent practicable, make 597 breakfast meals available to students at an alternative site 598 location, which may include, but need not be limited to, 599 alternative breakfast options as described in publications of 600 the Food and Nutrition Service of the United States Department 601 of Agriculture for the federal School Breakfast Program. 602 (b) Beginning with the 2009-2010 school year, each school 603 district must annually set prices for breakfast meals at rates that, combined with federal reimbursements and state 604 605 allocations, are sufficient to defray costs of school breakfast 606 programs without requiring allocations from the district's 607 operating funds, except if the district school board approves 608 lower rates. Section 15. Subsection (1) of section 1006.28, Florida 609

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610 Statutes, is amended to read: 611 1006.28 Duties of district school board, district school 612 superintendent; and school principal regarding K-12 613 instructional materials.-614 (1) DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD.-The district school board has 615 the duty to provide adequate instructional materials for all 616 students in accordance with the requirements of this part. The 617 term "adequate instructional materials" means a sufficient number of textbooks or sets of materials that are available in 618 619 bound, unbound, kit, or package form and may consist of hard-620 backed or soft-backed textbooks, consumables, learning 621 laboratories, manipulatives, electronic media, and computer 622 courseware or software that serve serving as the basis for 623 instruction for each student in the core courses of mathematics, 624 language arts, social studies, science, reading, and literature, 625 except for instruction for which the school advisory council 626 approves the use of a program that does not include a textbook 627 as a major tool of instruction. The district school board has 628 the following specific duties: 629 (a) Courses of study; adoption.-Adopt courses of study for 630 use in the schools of the district.

631 (b) Textbooks.-Provide for proper requisitioning, distribution, accounting, storage, care, and use of all 632 633 instructional materials furnished by the state and furnish such 634 other instructional materials as may be needed. The district 635 school board shall assure that instructional materials used in 636 the district are consistent with the district goals and 637 objectives and the curriculum frameworks adopted by rule of the 638 State Board of Education, as well as with the state and district

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639 performance standards provided for in s. 1001.03(1).

640 (c) Other instructional materials.-Provide such other
641 teaching accessories and aids as are needed for the school
642 district's educational program.

(d) School library media services; establishment and maintenance.—Establish and maintain a program of school library media services for all public schools in the district, including school library media centers, or school library media centers open to the public, and, in addition such traveling or circulating libraries as may be needed for the proper operation of the district school system.

650 Section 16. Section 1006.36, Florida Statutes, is amended 651 to read:

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1006.36 Term of adoption for instructional materials.-

(1) The term of adoption of any instructional materials must be <u>an 8-year</u> a 6-year period beginning on April 1 following the adoption, except that the commissioner may approve terms of adoption of less than <u>8</u> 6 years for materials in content areas which require more frequent revision. Any contract for instructional materials may be extended as prescribed in s. 1006.34(3).

660 (2) The department shall publish annually an official schedule of subject areas to be called for adoption for each of 661 662 the succeeding 2 years, and a tentative schedule for years 3, 4, 663 5, and 6, 7, and 8. If extenuating circumstances warrant, the 664 commissioner may order the department to add one or more subject 665 areas to the official schedule, in which event the commissioner 666 shall develop criteria for such additional subject area or areas 667 and make them available to publishers as soon as practicable

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before the date on which bids are due. The schedule shall be developed so as to promote balance among the subject areas so that the required expenditure for new instructional materials is approximately the same each year in order to maintain curricular consistency.

673 Section 17. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section
674 1006.40, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 10 of chapter
675 2009-3, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

676 1006.40 Use of instructional materials allocation;
677 instructional materials, library books, and reference books;
678 repair of books.-

679 (2) (a) Each district school board must purchase current 680 instructional materials to provide each student with a textbook 681 or other instructional materials as a major tool of instruction 682 in core courses of the appropriate subject areas of mathematics, 683 language arts, science, social studies, reading, and literature 684 for kindergarten through grade 12. Such purchase must be made 685 within the first 2 years after the effective date of the 686 adoption cycle; however, this requirement is waived for the 687 adoption cycle occurring in the 2008-2009 academic year, and is 688 waived for the 2009-2010 academic year if the district certifies 689 to the Commissioner of Education that the district has 690 sufficient instructional materials to implement the newly 691 adopted state standards for mathematics. Unless specifically 692 provided for in the General Appropriations Act, the cost of 693 instructional materials purchases required by this paragraph shall not exceed the amount of the district's allocation for 694 instructional materials, pursuant to s. 1011.67, for the 695 696 previous 2 years.

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697 Section 18. Subsection (7) of section 1008.29, Florida698 Statutes, is amended to read:

699 1008.29 College-level communication and mathematics skills 700 examination (CLAST).-

(7) The State Board of Education, by rule, shall establish
fees for the administration of the examination to <u>public and</u>
private postsecondary students.

704Section 19. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section7051008.41, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

706 1008.41 Workforce education; management information 707 system.-

708 (1) The Commissioner of Education shall coordinate uniform 709 program structures, common definitions, and uniform management 710 information systems for workforce education for all divisions 711 within the department. In performing these functions, the 712 commissioner shall designate deadlines after which data elements 713 may not be changed for the coming fiscal or school year. School 714 districts and community colleges shall be notified of data 715 element changes at least 90 days prior to the start of the 716 subsequent fiscal or school year. Such systems must provide for:

(c) Maximum use of automated technology and records in existing databases and data systems. To the extent feasible, the Florida Information Resource Network <u>may shall</u> be employed for this purpose.

721 Section 20. Section 1010.06, Florida Statutes, is created 722 to read:

1010.06 Indirect cost limitation.-State funds appropriated
 by the Legislature to the Division of Public Schools within the
 Department of Education may not be used to pay indirect cost to

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726 a university, community college, school district, or any other 727 entity. Section 21. Section 1010.11, Florida Statutes, is amended 728 729 to read: 730 1010.11 Electronic transfer of funds.-Pursuant to the 731 provisions of s. 215.85, each district school board, community 732 college board of trustees, and university board of trustees 733 shall adopt written policies prescribing the accounting and 734 control procedures under which any funds under their control are 735 allowed to be moved by electronic transaction for any purpose 736 including direct deposit, wire transfer, withdrawal, or 737 investment, or payment. Electronic transactions shall comply 738 with the provisions of chapter 668. 739 Section 22. Subsection (4) is added to section 1011.09, Florida Statutes, to read: 740 741 1011.09 Expenditure of funds by district school board.-All 742 state funds apportioned to the credit of any district constitute 743 a part of the district school fund of that district and must be 744 budgeted and expended under authority of the district school 745 board subject to the provisions of law and rules of the State 746 Board of Education. 747 (4) During the 2009-2010 fiscal year, unless specifically 748 approved by the district school board, public funds may not be 749 expended for out-of-state travel or cellular phones, cellular 750 phone service, personal digital assistants, or any other mobile 751 wireless communication device or service, including text 752 messaging, whether through purchasing, leasing, contracting, or 753 any other method.

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Section 23. Subsection (4) of section 1011.18, Florida

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755 Statutes, is amended to read:

756 1011.18 School depositories; payments into and withdrawals 757 from depositories.-

758 (4) HOW FUNDS DRAWN FROM DEPOSITORIES.-All money drawn from 759 any district school depository holding same as prescribed herein 760 shall be upon a check or warrant drawn on authority of the 761 district school board as prescribed by law. Each check or 762 warrant shall be signed by the chair or, in his or her absence, 763 the vice chair of the district school board and countersigned by 764 the district school superintendent, with corporate seal of the 765 school board affixed. However, as a matter of convenience, the 766 corporate seal of the district school board may be printed upon 767 the warrant and a proper record of such warrant shall be 768 maintained. The district school board may by resolution, a copy 769 of which must be delivered to the depository, provide for 770 internal funds to be withdrawn from any district depository by a 771 check duly signed by at least two bonded school employees 772 designated by the board to be responsible for administering such 773 funds. However, the district school superintendent or his or her 774 designee, after having been by resolution specifically 775 authorized by the district school board, may transfer funds from 776 one depository to another, within a depository, to another 777 institution, or from another institution to a depository for 778 investment purposes and may transfer funds to pay expenses, 779 expenditures, or other disbursements that must be evidenced by 780 an invoice or other appropriate documentation in a similar 781 manner when the transfer does not represent an expenditure, 782 advance, or reduction of cash assets. Such transfer may be made by electronic, telephonic, or other medium; and each transfer 783

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784 shall be confirmed in writing and signed by the district school 785 superintendent or his or her designee.

786 Section 24. Subsection (2) and paragraphs (d) and (f) of 787 subsection (3) of section 1011.60, Florida Statutes, are amended 788 to read:

1011.60 Minimum requirements of the Florida Education Finance Program.—Each district which participates in the state appropriations for the Florida Education Finance Program shall provide evidence of its effort to maintain an adequate school program throughout the district and shall meet at least the following requirements:

795 (2) MINIMUM TERM.-Operate all schools for a term of at 796 least 180 actual teaching days or the equivalent on an hourly 797 basis as specified by rules of the State Board of Education each 798 school year. The State Board of Education may prescribe 799 procedures for altering, and, upon written application, may 800 alter, this requirement during a national, state, or local 801 emergency as it may apply to an individual school or schools in 802 any district or districts if, in the opinion of the board, it is 803 not feasible to make up lost days or hours, and the 804 apportionment may, at the discretion of the Commissioner of 805 Education and if the board determines that the reduction of 806 school days or hours is caused by the existence of a bona fide 807 emergency, be reduced for such district or districts in 808 proportion to the decrease in the length of term in any such 809 school or schools. A strike, as defined in s. 447.203(6), by 810 employees of the school district may not be considered an 811 emergency.

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(3) EMPLOYMENT POLICIES.-Adopt rules relating to the

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813 appointment, promotion, transfer, suspension, and dismissal of 814 personnel.

(d) District school boards may authorize a maximum of six
paid legal holidays which shall apply to the total annual number
of 196 days of service adopted by the board.

818 (f) Such rules must not require more than 10 12 calendar 819 months of service for such principals and other school site administrators as prescribed by rules of the State Board of 820 821 Education and may must require up to 10 months to include not 822 less than 196 days of service, excluding Sundays and other 823 holidays, for all members of the instructional staff. Principals 824 and other school site administrators may serve more than 10 825 calendar months of service if specifically approved by the 826 district school board, and with any such service on a 12-month 827 basis may to include reasonable allowance for vacation or 828 further study as prescribed by the school board in accordance 829 with rules of the State Board of Education.

830 Section 25. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section831 1011.61, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1011.61 Definitions.-Notwithstanding the provisions of s.
1000.21, the following terms are defined as follows for the
purposes of the Florida Education Finance Program:

835 (1) A "full-time equivalent student" in each program of the 836 district is defined in terms of full-time students and part-time 837 students as follows:

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(c)1. A "full-time equivalent student" is:

a. A full-time student in any one of the programs listed ins. 1011.62(1)(c); or

b. A combination of full-time or part-time students in any

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842 one of the programs listed in s. 1011.62(1)(c) which is the 843 equivalent of one full-time student based on the following 844 calculations:

(I) A full-time student, except a postsecondary or adult 845 846 student or a senior high school student enrolled in adult 847 education when such courses are required for high school 848 graduation, in a combination of programs listed in s. 849 1011.62(1)(c) shall be a fraction of a full-time equivalent 850 membership in each special program equal to the number of net 851 hours per school year for which he or she is a member, divided 852 by the appropriate number of hours set forth in subparagraph 853 (a)1. or subparagraph (a)2. The difference between that fraction 854 or sum of fractions and the maximum value as set forth in 855 subsection (4) for each full-time student is presumed to be the 856 balance of the student's time not spent in such special 857 education programs and shall be recorded as time in the 858 appropriate basic program.

(II) A prekindergarten handicapped student shall meet therequirements specified for kindergarten students.

(III) A full-time equivalent student for students in grades K-8 in a school district virtual instruction program as provided in s. 1002.45 shall consist of a student who has successfully completed a basic program listed in s. 1011.62(1)(c)1.a. or b., and who is promoted to a higher grade level.

(IV) A full-time equivalent student for students in grades 9-12 in a school district virtual instruction program as provided in s. 1002.45 shall consist of six full credit completions in programs listed in s. 1011.62(1)(c)1. and <u>3</u> 4. Credit completions can be a combination of either full credits

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871 or half credits.

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(V) A Florida Virtual School full-time equivalent student shall consist of six full credit completions in the programs listed in <u>s. 1011.62(1)(c)1.b. for grades 6 through 8 and the</u> programs listed in <u>s. 1011.62(1)(c)1.c. for grades 9 through 12</u> s. 1011.62(1)(c)1. and 4. Credit completions can be a combination of either full credits or half credits.

(VI) Each successfully completed credit earned under the alternative high school course credit requirements authorized in s. 1002.375, which is not reported as a portion of the 900 net hours of instruction pursuant to subparagraph (1)(a)1., shall be calculated as 1/6 FTE.

883 2. A student in membership in a program scheduled for more 884 or less than 180 school days is a fraction of a full-time equivalent membership equal to the number of instructional hours 885 886 in membership divided by the appropriate number of hours set 887 forth in subparagraph (a)1.; however, for the purposes of this 888 subparagraph, membership in programs scheduled for more than 180 889 days is limited to students enrolled in juvenile justice 890 education programs and the Florida Virtual School.

The department shall determine and implement an equitable method of equivalent funding for experimental schools and for schools operating under emergency conditions, which schools have been approved by the department to operate for less than the minimum school day.

897 Section 26. Present paragraphs (1) through (0) of 898 subsection (1) of section 1011.62, Florida Statutes, are amended 899 and redesignated as paragraphs (m) through (p), respectively,

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900 present paragraph (p) is deleted, paragraph (l) is added to that 901 subsection, and paragraph (a) of subsection (4), paragraph (b) 902 of subsection (6), and paragraph (a) of subsection (12) of that 903 section are amended, to read:

904 1011.62 Funds for operation of schools.—If the annual 905 allocation from the Florida Education Finance Program to each 906 district for operation of schools is not determined in the 907 annual appropriations act or the substantive bill implementing 908 the annual appropriations act, it shall be determined as 909 follows:

910 (1) COMPUTATION OF THE BASIC AMOUNT TO BE INCLUDED FOR 911 OPERATION.—The following procedure shall be followed in 912 determining the annual allocation to each district for 913 operation:

914 <u>(1) Study hall.-A student who is enrolled in study hall may</u> 915 <u>not be included in the calculation of full-time equivalent</u> 916 <u>student membership for funding under this section.</u>

917 (m) (1) Calculation of additional full-time equivalent 918 membership based on international baccalaureate examination 919 scores of students.-A value of 0.08 0.16 full-time equivalent 920 student membership shall be calculated for each student enrolled 921 in an international baccalaureate course who receives a score of 922 4 or higher on a subject examination. A value of 0.16 0.3 full-923 time equivalent student membership shall be calculated for each 924 student who receives an international baccalaureate diploma. 925 Such value shall be added to the total full-time equivalent 926 student membership in basic programs for grades 9 through 12 in 927 the subsequent fiscal year. The school district shall distribute to each classroom teacher who provided international 928

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929 baccalaureate instruction:

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930 1. A bonus in the amount of \$40 \$50 for each student taught
931 by the International Baccalaureate teacher in each international
932 baccalaureate course who receives a score of 4 or higher on the
933 international baccalaureate examination.

934 2. An additional bonus of \$400 \$500 to each International 935 Baccalaureate teacher in a school designated with a grade of "D" 936 or "F" who has at least one student scoring 4 or higher on the 937 international baccalaureate examination, regardless of the 938 number of classes taught or of the number of students scoring a 939 4 or higher on the international baccalaureate examination.

Bonuses awarded to a teacher according to this paragraph shall not exceed $\frac{1,600}{2,000}$ in any given school year and shall be in addition to any regular wage or other bonus the teacher received or is scheduled to receive.

945 (n) (m) Calculation of additional full-time equivalent 946 membership based on Advanced International Certificate of 947 Education examination scores of students.-A value of 0.08 $\frac{0.16}{0.16}$ 948 full-time equivalent student membership shall be calculated for 949 each student enrolled in a full-credit Advanced International 950 Certificate of Education course who receives a score of E or 951 higher on a subject examination. A value of 0.04 0.08 full-time 952 equivalent student membership shall be calculated for each 953 student enrolled in a half-credit Advanced International 954 Certificate of Education course who receives a score of E or 955 higher on a subject examination. A value of 0.16 0.3 full-time 956 equivalent student membership shall be calculated for each 957 student who receives an Advanced International Certificate of

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958 Education diploma. Such value shall be added to the total full-959 time equivalent student membership in basic programs for grades 960 9 through 12 in the subsequent fiscal year. The school district 961 shall distribute to each classroom teacher who provided Advanced 962 International Certificate of Education instruction:

963 1. A bonus in the amount of \$40 $\frac{50}{50}$ for each student taught 964 by the Advanced International Certificate of Education teacher in each full-credit Advanced International Certificate of 965 966 Education course who receives a score of E or higher on the 967 Advanced International Certificate of Education examination. A 968 bonus in the amount of \$20 $\frac{25}{5}$ for each student taught by the 969 Advanced International Certificate of Education teacher in each 970 half-credit Advanced International Certificate of Education 971 course who receives a score of E or higher on the Advanced 972 International Certificate of Education examination.

973 2. An additional bonus of \$400 \$500 to each Advanced 974 International Certificate of Education teacher in a school 975 designated with a grade of "D" or "F" who has at least one 976 student scoring E or higher on the full-credit Advanced 977 International Certificate of Education examination, regardless 978 of the number of classes taught or of the number of students 979 scoring an E or higher on the full-credit Advanced International 980 Certificate of Education examination.

981 3. Additional bonuses of \$200 \$250 each to teachers of 982 half-credit Advanced International Certificate of Education 983 classes in a school designated with a grade of "D" or "F" which 984 has at least one student scoring an E or higher on the half-985 credit Advanced International Certificate of Education 986 examination in that class. The maximum additional bonus for a

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987 teacher awarded in accordance with this subparagraph shall not 988 exceed \$500 in any given school year. Teachers receiving an 989 award under subparagraph 2. are not eligible for a bonus under 990 this subparagraph.

992 Bonuses awarded to a teacher according to this paragraph shall 993 not exceed $\frac{1,600}{2,000}$ in any given school year and shall be 994 in addition to any regular wage or other bonus the teacher 995 received or is scheduled to receive.

996 (o) (n) Calculation of additional full-time equivalent 997 membership based on college board advanced placement scores of 998 students.-A value of 0.08 0.16 full-time equivalent student 999 membership shall be calculated for each student in each advanced 1000 placement course who receives a score of 3 or higher on the 1001 College Board Advanced Placement Examination for the prior year 1002 and added to the total full-time equivalent student membership 1003 in basic programs for grades 9 through 12 in the subsequent 1004 fiscal year. Each district must allocate at least 80 percent of 1005 the funds provided to the district for advanced placement 1006 instruction, in accordance with this paragraph, to the high 1007 school that generates the funds. The school district shall 1008 distribute to each classroom teacher who provided advanced 1009 placement instruction:

1010 1. A bonus in the amount of <u>\$40</u> \$50 for each student taught 1011 by the Advanced Placement teacher in each advanced placement 1012 course who receives a score of 3 or higher on the College Board 1013 Advanced Placement Examination.

1014 2. An additional bonus of $\frac{400}{500}$ to each Advanced 1015 Placement teacher in a school designated with a grade of "D" or

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1016 "F" who has at least one student scoring 3 or higher on the 1017 College Board Advanced Placement Examination, regardless of the 1018 number of classes taught or of the number of students scoring a 1019 3 or higher on the College Board Advanced Placement Examination. 1020 1021 Bonuses awarded to a teacher according to this paragraph shall 1022 not exceed \$1,600 \$2,000 in any given school year and shall be 1023 in addition to any regular wage or other bonus the teacher 1024 received or is scheduled to receive. $(p) \xrightarrow{(o)}$ Calculation of additional full-time equivalent 1025 1026 membership based on certification of successful completion of 1027 industry-certified career and professional academy programs 1028 pursuant to s. 1003.492.-A value of 0.16 0.3 full-time 1029 equivalent student membership shall be calculated for each 1030 student who completes an industry-certified career and 1031 professional academy program under s. 1003.492 and who is issued 1032 the highest level of industry certification and a high school 1033 diploma. Such value shall be added to the total full-time 1034 equivalent student membership in secondary career education 1035 programs for grades 9 through 12 in the subsequent year for 1036 courses that were not funded through dual enrollment. The 1037 additional full-time equivalent membership authorized under this 1038 paragraph may not exceed 0.16 0.3 per student. Unless a 1039 different amount is specified in the General Appropriations Act, 1040 the appropriation for this calculation is limited to \$81041 million annually. If the appropriation is insufficient to fully 1042 fund the total calculation, the appropriation shall be prorated. 1043 (p) Calculation of additional full-time equivalent 1044 membership for the Florida Virtual School. The total reported

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1045 full-time equivalent student membership for the Florida Virtual 1046 School shall be multiplied by 0.114, and such value shall be 1047 added to the total full-time equivalent student membership.

(4) COMPUTATION OF DISTRICT REQUIRED LOCAL EFFORT.—The Legislature shall prescribe the aggregate required local effort for all school districts collectively as an item in the General Appropriations Act for each fiscal year. The amount that each district shall provide annually toward the cost of the Florida Education Finance Program for kindergarten through grade 12 programs shall be calculated as follows:

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(a) Estimated taxable value calculations.-

1056 1.a. Not later than 2 working days prior to July 19, the 1057 Department of Revenue shall certify to the Commissioner of 1058 Education its most recent estimate of the taxable value for 1059 school purposes in each school district and the total for all school districts in the state for the current calendar year 1060 1061 based on the latest available data obtained from the local 1062 property appraisers. Not later than July 19, the Commissioner of 1063 Education shall compute a millage rate, rounded to the next 1064 highest one one-thousandth of a mill, which, when applied to 95 1065 percent of the estimated state total taxable value for school 1066 purposes, would generate the prescribed aggregate required local 1067 effort for that year for all districts. The Commissioner of 1068 Education shall certify to each district school board the 1069 millage rate, computed as prescribed in this subparagraph, as 1070 the minimum millage rate necessary to provide the district 1071 required local effort for that year.

1072 b. The General Appropriations Act shall direct the1073 computation of the statewide adjusted aggregate amount for

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1074 required local effort for all school districts collectively from 1075 ad valorem taxes to ensure that no school district's revenue 1076 from required local effort millage will produce more than 90 1077 percent of the district's total Florida Education Finance 1078 Program calculation as calculated and adopted by the 1079 Legislature, and the adjustment of the required local effort 1080 millage rate of each district that produces more than 90 percent of its total Florida Education Finance Program entitlement to a 1081 level that will produce only 90 percent of its total Florida 1082 1083 Education Finance Program entitlement in the July calculation.

1084 2. As revised data are received from property appraisers, 1085 the Department of Revenue shall amend the certification of the 1086 estimate of the taxable value for school purposes.

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(6) CATEGORICAL FUNDS.-

(b) If a district school board finds and declares in a 1088 1089 resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the school board that 1090 the funds received for any of the following categorical 1091 appropriations are urgently needed to maintain school board 1092 specified academic classroom instruction, the school board may 1093 consider and approve an amendment to the school district 1094 operating budget transferring the identified amount of the 1095 categorical funds to the appropriate account for expenditure:

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- 2. Funds for safe schools.
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- 3. Funds for supplemental academic instruction.

1. Funds for student transportation.

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4. Funds for research-based reading instruction.

5. Funds for instructional materials if all instructional material purchases have been completed for that fiscal year, but no sooner than March 1, <u>2010</u> 2009.

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1103 (12) TOTAL ALLOCATION OF STATE FUNDS TO EACH DISTRICT FOR 1104 CURRENT OPERATION.-The total annual state allocation to each 1105 district for current operation for the FEFP shall be distributed 1106 periodically in the manner prescribed in the General 1107 Appropriations Act. 1108 (a) The basic amount for current operation for the FEFP as 1109 determined in subsection (1), multiplied by the district cost 1110 differential factor as determined in subsection (2), plus the amounts provided for categorical components within the FEFP, 1111 plus the discretionary millage compression supplement as 1112 1113 determined in subsection (5), the amount for the sparsity 1114 supplement as determined in subsection (7), the decline in full-1115 time equivalent students as determined in subsection (8), the 1116 research-based reading instruction allocation as determined in 1117 subsection (9), the allocation for juvenile justice education programs as determined in subsection (10), the quality assurance 1118 1119 guarantee as determined in subsection (11), less the required local effort as determined in subsection (4). If the funds 1120 1121 appropriated for the purpose of funding the total amount for 1122 current operation for the FEFP as provided in this paragraph are 1123 not sufficient to pay the state requirement in full, the 1124 department shall prorate the available state funds to each 1125 district in the following manner:

1126 1. Determine the percentage of proration by dividing the 1127 sum of the total amount for current operation, as provided in 1128 this paragraph for all districts collectively, and the total 1129 district required local effort into the sum of the state funds 1130 available for current operation and the total district required 1131 local effort.

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1132	2. Multiply the percentage so determined by the sum of the
1133	total amount for current operation as provided in this paragraph
1134	and the required local effort for each individual district.
1135	3. From the product of such multiplication, subtract the
1136	required local effort of each district; and the remainder shall
1137	be the amount of state funds allocated to the district for
1138	current operation.
1139	Section 27. The amendments made by this act to subsection
1140	(1) of section 1011.62, Florida Statutes, except for newly
1141	created paragraph (l), shall apply to bonuses earned in the
1142	2008-2009 fiscal year for funding in the 2009-2010 fiscal year.
1143	Section 28. Section 1011.675, Florida Statutes, is created
1144	to read:
1145	1011.675 Discretionary bonus allocation for outstanding
1146	performance
1147	(1) A discretionary bonus allocation is created for school
1148	districts to recognize and reward the outstanding performance of
1149	students, teachers, and school-based administrators in an amount
1150	to be determined by the Legislature. The funds shall be
1151	allocated to each school district as provided in the General
1152	Appropriations Act.
1153	(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 1012.225, relating
1154	to the Merit Award Program for Instructional Personnel and
1155	School-Based Administrators, and s. 1012.72, relating to the
1156	Excellent Teaching Program, during the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011
1157	fiscal years, school districts may use the funds received under
1158	this section for any or all of the programs listed in this
1159	subsection or for any other purpose that the district school
1160	board deems appropriate.

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1161 Section 29. Subsection (7) of section 1011.68, Florida 1162 Statutes, is repealed. Section 30. Section 1011.685, Florida Statutes, is amended 1163 1164 to read: 1165 1011.685 Class size reduction; operating categorical fund.-1166 (1) There is created an operating categorical fund for 1167 implementing the class size reduction provisions of s. 1, Art. IX of the State Constitution. These funds shall be allocated to 1168 each school district in the amount prescribed by the Legislature 1169 1170 in the General Appropriations Act. 1171 (2) Class size reduction operating categorical funds shall 1172 be used by school districts to reduce class size as required in 1173 s. 1003.03, or the funds may be used for any lawful operating expenditure; however, priority shall be given to increasing 1174 salaries of classroom teachers. for the following: 1175 1176 (a) To reduce class size in any lawful manner, if the 1177 district has not met the constitutional maximums identified in 1178 s. 1003.03(1) or the reduction of two students per year required 1179 by s. 1003.03(2). 1180 (b) For any lawful operating expenditure, if the district has met the constitutional maximums identified in s. 1003.03(1) 1181 1182 or the reduction of two students per year required by s. 1003.03(2); however, priority shall be given to increase 1183 1184 salaries of classroom teachers as defined in s. 1012.01(2)(a) and to implement the differentiated-pay provisions detailed in 1185 1186 s. 1012.22. 1187 Section 31. Subsections (2), (3), and (4) of section 1011.71, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 12 of chapter 1188

1189 2009-3, Laws of Florida, are amended, and subsection (9) is

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1190 added to that section, to read: 1191 1011.71 District school tax.-1192 (2) In addition to the maximum millage levy as provided in subsection (1), each school board may levy not more than 1.5 1193 1194 1.75 mills against the taxable value for school purposes for 1195 district schools, including charter schools at the discretion of 1196 the school board, to fund: 1197 (a) New construction and remodeling projects, as set forth in s. 1013.64(3)(b) and (6)(b) and included in the district's 1198 1199 educational plant survey pursuant to s. 1013.31, without regard 1200 to prioritization, sites and site improvement or expansion to 1201 new sites, existing sites, auxiliary facilities, athletic 1202 facilities, or ancillary facilities. 1203 (b) Maintenance, renovation, and repair of existing school 1204 plants or of leased facilities to correct deficiencies pursuant 1205 to s. 1013.15(2). 1206 (c) The purchase, lease-purchase, or lease of school buses. 1207 (d) Effective July 1, 2008, the purchase, lease-purchase, 1208 or lease of new and replacement equipment, and enterprise 1209 resource software applications that are classified as capital assets in accordance with definitions of the Governmental 1210 1211 Accounting Standards Board, have a useful life of at least 5 1212 years, and are used to support districtwide administration or state-mandated reporting requirements. 1213 1214 (e) Payments for educational facilities and sites due under 1215 a lease-purchase agreement entered into by a district school board pursuant to s. 1003.02(1)(f) or s. 1013.15(2), not 1216 1217 exceeding, in the aggregate, an amount equal to three-fourths of the proceeds from the millage levied by a district school board 1218

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1219	pursuant to this subsection. For the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the
1220	three-fourths limit is waived for lease-purchase agreements
1221	entered into before June 30, 2009, by a district school board
1222	pursuant to this paragraph.
1223	(f) Payment of loans approved pursuant to ss. 1011.14 and
1224	1011.15.
1225	(g) Payment of costs directly related to complying with
1226	state and federal environmental statutes, rules, and regulations
1227	governing school facilities.
1228	(h) Payment of costs of leasing relocatable educational
1229	facilities, of renting or leasing educational facilities and
1230	sites pursuant to s. 1013.15(2), or of renting or leasing
1231	buildings or space within existing buildings pursuant to s.
1232	1013.15(4).
1233	(i) Payment of the cost of school buses when a school
1234	district contracts with a private entity to provide student
1235	transportation services if the district meets the requirements
1236	of this paragraph.
1237	1. The district's contract must require that the private
1238	entity purchase, lease-purchase, or lease, and operate and
1239	maintain, one or more school buses of a specific type and size
1240	that meet the requirements of s. 1006.25.
1241	2. Each such school bus must be used for the daily
1242	transportation of public school students in the manner required
1243	by the school district.
1244	3. Annual payment for each such school bus may not exceed
1245	10 percent of the purchase price of the state pool bid.
1246	4. The proposed expenditure of the funds for this purpose
1247	must have been included in the district school board's notice of

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1248 proposed tax for school capital outlay as provided in s. 1249 200.065(10).

1250 (j) Payment of the cost of the opening day collection for 1251 the library media center of a new school.

1252 (3) If the revenue from the millage authorized in 1253 subsection (2) is insufficient to make payments due under a 1254 lease-purchase agreement entered into prior to June 30, 2008, by 1255 a district school board pursuant to paragraph (2)(e), an amount 1256 up to 0.5 $\frac{0.25}{0.25}$ mills of the taxable value for school purposes 1257 within the school district shall be legally available for such 1258 payments, notwithstanding other restrictions on the use of such 1259 revenues imposed by law.

(4) Effective July 1, 2008, and through June 30, 2010, a
school district may expend, subject to the provisions of s.
200.065, up to \$100 per unweighted full-time equivalent student
from the revenue generated by the millage levy authorized by
subsection (2) to fund, in addition to expenditures authorized
in paragraphs (2) (a)-(j), expenses for the following:

(a) The purchase, lease-purchase, or lease of driver's education vehicles; motor vehicles used for the maintenance or operation of plants and equipment; security vehicles; or vehicles used in storing or distributing materials and equipment.

(b) Payment of the cost of premiums for property and casualty insurance necessary to insure school district educational and ancillary plants. Operating revenues that are made available through the payment of property and casualty insurance premiums from revenues generated under this subsection may be expended only for nonrecurring operational expenditures

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1277 of the school district.

1278 (9) Notwithstanding subsection (2), for the 2009-2010 1279 fiscal year, if the revenue from 1.5 mills is insufficient to 1280 meet the payments due under a lease-purchase agreement entered 1281 into before June 30, 2009, by a district school board pursuant 1282 to paragraph (2)(e), or to meet other critical district fixed 1283 capital outlay needs, the board, in addition to the 1.5 mills, 1284 may levy up to 0.25 mills for fixed capital outlay in lieu of 1285 levying an equivalent amount of the discretionary mills for 1286 operations as provided in the General Appropriations Act for 1287 2009-2010. Millage levied pursuant to this subsection is subject 1288 to the provisions of s. 200.065 and, combined with the 1.5 mills 1289 authorized in subsection (2), may not exceed 1.75 mills. If the 1290 district chooses to use up to .25 mills for fixed capital 1291 outlay, the compression adjustment pursuant to s. 1011.62(5) 1292 shall be calculated for the standard discretionary millage that 1293 is not eligible for transfer to capital outlay. 1294 Section 32. If the Commissioner of Education determines 1295 that a school district acted in good faith, he or she may waive 1296 the equal-dollar reduction, required in s. 1011.71(5), Florida 1297 Statutes, for audit findings during the 2007-2008 fiscal year which were related to the purchase of software. 1298 1299 Section 33. Paragraph (g) of subsection (3) of section 1300 1012.33, Florida Statutes, is amended, and subsection (9) is added to that section, to read: 1301 1302 1012.33 Contracts with instructional staff, supervisors, 1303 and school principals.-1304 (3) (g) Beginning July 1, 2001, for each employee who enters 1305

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1306	into a written contract, pursuant to this section, in a school
1307	district in which the employee was not employed as of June 30,
1308	2001, or was employed as of June 30, 2001, but has since broken
1309	employment with that district for 1 school year or more, for
1310	purposes of pay, a district school board must recognize and
1311	accept each year of full-time public school teaching service
1312	earned in the State of Florida or outside the state and for
1313	which the employee received a satisfactory performance
1314	evaluation; however, an employee may voluntarily waive this
1315	provision. Instructional personnel employed pursuant to s.
1316	121.091(9)(b)3. are exempt from the provisions of this
1317	paragraph.
1318	(9) Notwithstanding this section or any other law or rule
1319	to the contrary, for the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 fiscal years,
1320	district school boards should not enter into a new professional
1321	service contract if the only funds available to pay such
1322	contract are from nonrecurring Federal Stabilization Funds.
1323	Section 34. Subsection (6) is added to section 1012.71,
1324	Florida Statutes, to read:
1325	1012.71 The Florida Teachers Lead Program
1326	(6) For the 2009-2010 fiscal year, the Department of
1327	Education is authorized to conduct a pilot program to determine
1328	the feasibility of managing the Florida Teachers Lead Program
1329	through a centralized electronic system. The pilot program must:
1330	(a) Be established through a competitive process;
1331	(b) Provide the capability for participating teachers to
1332	purchase from online sources;
1333	(c) Provide the capability for participating teachers to
1334	purchase from local vendors by means other than online

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1335	purchasing;
1336	(d) Generally comply with the provisions of this section;
1337	(e) Be subject to annual auditing requirements to ensure
1338	accountability for funds received and disbursed; and
1339	(f) Provide for all unused funds to be returned to the
1340	state at the close of each fiscal year.
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1342	Any participation in this pilot program by school districts and
1343	individual teachers must be on a voluntary basis. The department
1344	may limit the number of participating districts to the number it
1345	deems feasible to adequately test the viability of the pilot
1346	program. The department is not required to implement this pilot
1347	program if it determines that the number of school districts
1348	willing to participate is insufficient to adequately test the
1349	viability of the pilot program.
1350	Section 35. Subsection (1) of section 1013.62, Florida
1351	Statutes, is amended to read:
1352	1013.62 Charter schools capital outlay funding
1353	(1) In each year in which funds are appropriated for
1354	charter school capital outlay purposes, the Commissioner of
1355	Education shall allocate the funds among eligible charter
1356	schools.
1357	(a) To be eligible for a funding allocation, a charter
1358	school must:
1359	<pre>1.a.(a)1. Have been in operation for 3 or more years;</pre>
1360	b. Be governed by a governing board established in the
1361	state for 3 or more years which operates both charter schools
1362	and conversion charter schools within the state;
1363	c.2. Be an expanded feeder chain of a charter school within
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1364 the same school district that is currently receiving charter 1365 school capital outlay funds; or d.3. Have been accredited by the Commission on Schools of 1366 1367 the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. 1368 2.(b) Have financial stability for future operation as a charter school. 1369 1370 3.(c) Have satisfactory student achievement based on state 1371 accountability standards applicable to the charter school. 4.(d) Have received final approval from its sponsor 1372 1373 pursuant to s. 1002.33 for operation during that fiscal year. 1374 5.(e) Serve students in facilities that are not provided by 1375 the charter school's sponsor. 1376 (b) The first priority for charter school capital outlay 1377 funding is shall be to allocate to the charter schools that 1378 received funding in the 2005-2006 fiscal year an allocation of 1379 the same amount per capital outlay full-time equivalent student, 1380 up to the lesser of the actual number of capital outlay full-1381 time equivalent students in the current year, or the capital 1382 outlay full-time equivalent students in the 2005-2006 fiscal 1383 year. After calculating the first priority, the second priority 1384 is shall be to allocate excess funds remaining in the 1385 appropriation in an amount equal to the per capital outlay full-1386 time equivalent student amount in the first priority calculation 1387 to eligible charter schools not included in the first priority 1388 calculation and to schools in the first priority calculation 1389 with growth greater than in excess of the 2005-2006 capital 1390 outlay full-time equivalent students. After calculating the 1391 first and second priorities, excess funds remaining in the 1392 appropriation must shall be allocated to all eligible charter

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1393 schools.

1394 (c) A charter school's allocation may shall not exceed one-1395 fifteenth of the cost per student station specified in s. 1396 1013.64(6)(b). Before releasing Prior to the release of capital 1397 outlay funds to a school district on behalf of the charter 1398 school, the Department of Education must shall ensure that the 1399 district school board and the charter school governing board 1400 enter into a written agreement that provides includes provisions for the reversion of any unencumbered funds and all equipment 1401 1402 and property purchased with public education funds to the 1403 ownership of the district school board, as provided for in subsection (3) if, in the event that the school terminates 1404 1405 operations. Any funds recovered by the state shall be deposited in the General Revenue Fund. 1406

1407 (d) A charter school is not eligible for a funding 1408 allocation if it was created by the conversion of a public 1409 school and operates in facilities provided by the charter 1410 school's sponsor for a nominal fee, or at no charge, or if it is 1411 directly or indirectly operated by the school district.

1412 (e) Unless otherwise provided in the General Appropriations Act, the funding allocation for each eligible charter school is 1413 1414 shall be determined by multiplying the school's projected 1415 student enrollment by one-fifteenth of the cost-per-student 1416 station specified in s. 1013.64(6)(b) for an elementary, middle, 1417 or high school, as appropriate. If the funds appropriated are 1418 not sufficient, the commissioner shall prorate the available 1419 funds among eligible charter schools. However, a no charter 1420 school or charter lab school may not shall receive state charter 1421 school capital outlay funds greater than in excess of the one-

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1422 fifteenth cost per student station formula if the charter 1423 school's combination of state charter school capital outlay 1424 funds, capital outlay funds calculated through the reduction in 1425 the administrative fee provided in s. 1002.33(20), and capital 1426 outlay funds allowed in s. 1002.32(9)(e) and (h) exceeds the 1427 one-fifteenth cost per student station formula.

1428 (f) Funds shall be distributed on the basis of the capital 1429 outlay full-time equivalent membership by grade level, which is shall be calculated by averaging the results of the second and 1430 1431 third enrollment surveys. The Department of Education shall distribute capital outlay funds monthly, beginning in the first 1432 1433 quarter of the fiscal year, based on one-twelfth of the amount 1434 the department reasonably expects the charter school to receive 1435 during that fiscal year. The commissioner shall adjust 1436 subsequent distributions as necessary to reflect each charter 1437 school's actual student enrollment as reflected in the second 1438 and third enrollment surveys. The commissioner shall establish 1439 the intervals and procedures for determining the projected and 1440 actual student enrollment of eligible charter schools.

1441 Section 36. Paragraph (b) of subsection (6) of section 1442 1013.64, Florida Statutes, is amended, as amended by section 14 1443 of chapter 2009-3, Laws of Florida, and subsection (7) is added 1444 to that section, to read:

1445 1013.64 Funds for comprehensive educational plant needs; 1446 construction cost maximums for school district capital 1447 projects.—Allocations from the Public Education Capital Outlay 1448 and Debt Service Trust Fund to the various boards for capital 1449 outlay projects shall be determined as follows: 1450 (6)

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1451	(b)1. A district school board, including a district school
1452	board of an academic performance-based charter school district,
1453	must not use funds from the following sources: Public Education
1454	Capital Outlay and Debt Service Trust Fund; School District and
1455	Community College District Capital Outlay and Debt Service Trust
1456	Fund; Classrooms First Program funds provided in s. 1013.68;
1457	effort index grant funds provided in s. 1013.73; nonvoted $1.5-$
1458	<u>mill</u> 1.75-mill levy of ad valorem property taxes provided in s.
1459	1011.71(2); Classrooms for Kids Program funds provided in s.
1460	1013.735; District Effort Recognition Program funds provided in
1461	s. 1013.736; or High Growth District Capital Outlay Assistance
1462	Grant Program funds provided in s. 1013.738 for any new
1463	construction of educational plant space with a total cost per
1464	student station, including change orders, that equals more than:
1465	a. \$17,952 for an elementary school,
1466	b. \$19,386 for a middle school, or
1467	c. \$25,181 for a high school,
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1469	(January 2006) as adjusted annually to reflect increases or
1470	decreases in the Consumer Price Index.
1471	2. A district school board must not use funds from the
1472	Public Education Capital Outlay and Debt Service Trust Fund or
1473	the School District and Community College District Capital
1474	Outlay and Debt Service Trust Fund for any new construction of
1475	an ancillary plant that exceeds 70 percent of the average cost
1476	per square foot of new construction for all schools.
1477	(7) Notwithstanding subsection (2), the district school
1478	board of Wakulla County shall contribute 1 mill in the 2009-2010
1479	fiscal year and 0.50 mill in the 2010-2011 fiscal year to the
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1480	cost of currently funded special facilities construction
1481	projects. The district school board of Liberty County shall
1482	contribute 1 mill in the 2009-2010 fiscal year, 1 mill in the
1483	2010-2011 fiscal year, and 1 mill in the 2011-2012 fiscal year.
1484	Section 37. Section 9 of chapter 2008-142, Laws of Florida,
1485	is repealed.
1486	Section 38. In order to implement Specific Appropriations
1487	5B, 6, 7, 76, and 77 of the General Appropriations Act for the
1488	2009-2010 fiscal year, the calculations of the Florida Education
1489	Finance Program for the 2009-2010 fiscal year in the document
1490	entitled "Public School Funding - The Florida Education Finance
1491	Program," dated April 17, 2009, and filed with the Secretary of
1492	the Senate are incorporated by reference for the purpose of
1493	displaying the calculations used by the Legislature, consistent
1494	with requirements of the Florida Statutes, in making
1495	appropriations for the Florida Education Finance Program.
1496	Section 39. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.

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