The Committee on Rules (Negron) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 187 and 188

insert:

Section 3. Paragraph (i) is added to subsection (3) of section 1007.01, Florida Statutes, to read:

1007.01 Articulation; legislative intent; purpose; role of the State Board of Education and the Board of Governors;

Articulation Coordinating Committee.—

(3) The Commissioner of Education, in consultation with the Chancellor of the State University System, shall establish the Articulation Coordinating Committee which shall make recommendations related to statewide articulation policies to
the Higher Education Coordination Council, the State Board of Education, and the Board of Governors. The committee shall consist of two members each representing the State University System, the Florida College System, public career and technical education, public K-12 education, and nonpublic education and one member representing students. The chair shall be elected from the membership. The committee shall:

(i) Recommend by December 31, 2013, a funding model and a financial accountability mechanism for funding and assessing an approved organization or an individual offering online courses, including, but not limited to, massive open online courses. This paragraph expires July 1, 2014.

Section 4. The Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA) shall review and provide recommendations to allow student access to massive open online courses for funding in both the K-12 and postsecondary programs. The review must consider, but is not limited to, the identification of courses, provider qualification review, accreditation, teacher or instructor credentials, course content and standards, financial accountability, and a funding process. OPPAGA shall provide the findings and recommendations to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by December 31, 2013.

Section 5. The Department of Education shall develop a methodology and plan for calculating the Florida Education Finance Program to limit the sum of each student’s full-time equivalent student membership value from all programs or courses to 1.0 full time equivalent (FTE). The department’s plan must
include revised procedures for reporting and computing each district’s annual allocation from the Florida Education Finance Program and shall identify steps that the department and school districts will take to implement the new procedures during the 2014-2015 fiscal year. The department shall conduct a student-based simulation of the revised methodology concurrent with the 2013-2014 FTE reporting and funding process. The department shall submit its plan and a summary of the results of the simulation to the Executive Office of the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by January 31, 2014.

And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 32 and insert:

... certain criteria; amending s. 1007.01, F.S.; requiring the Articulation Coordinating Committee to recommend a funding model and financial accountability mechanism for providers of online courses; requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to review and provide recommendations to allow student access to massive open online courses for funding purposes; providing review requirements; requiring the office to provide findings and recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; requiring the Department of Education to develop a methodology and plan for calculating the Florida Education Finance Program...
which limits the sum of each student’s full-time equivalent student membership value from all virtual programs or courses; providing requirements for the plan; requiring the department to conduct a student-based simulation of the revised methodology; requiring the department to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature by a specified date; providing an effective date.