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A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to instructional materials for K-12 3 public education; amending s. 1006.28, F.S.; revising 4 the duties of a district school board and the district 5 superintendent with regard to instructional materials; 6 repealing s. 1006.282, F.S., relating to the pilot 7 program for the transition to electronic and digital 8 instructional materials; creating s. 1006.283, F.S.; 9 authorizing a district school board or a consortium of 10 school districts to implement an instructional 11 materials program; requiring the district 12 superintendent to certify to the Department of 13 Education that core instructional materials align with 14 applicable state standards; requiring the district 15 school board to adopt rules; authorizing the district 16 school board to set and collect fees from a publisher 17 that participates in the instructional materials 18 review process; providing a limit on fees; prohibiting fees from being collected from publishers to review 19 20 instructional materials; providing for a stipend and reimbursement for travel expenses and per diem for 21 22 reviewers; requiring instructional materials that are 23 approved by the district instructional materials 24 reviewers to be aligned with applicable state 25 standards; requiring each district school board to 26 annually certify that the instructional materials 27 align with applicable state standards; providing 28 pricing requirements for instructional materials;

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29 amending s. 1006.29, F.S.; providing a definition; 30 requiring the department to appoint state 31 instructional materials reviewers, rather than state or national experts, to review instructional 32 33 materials; providing requirements, appointments, and 34 terms for state instructional materials reviewers; 35 authorizing the department to compensate assigned 36 reviewers with funds collected through certain fees; 37 providing a purpose for the use of the fees; 38 authorizing a stipend for service as a reviewer; 39 providing for payment for per diem and reimbursement 40 for travel expenses for service as a reviewer; requiring a publisher to offer sections of 41 42 instructional materials in certain version at reduced rates; requiring the department to post certain 43 44 instructional materials on its website; amending s. 45 1006.30, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made 46 by the act; amending s. 1006.31, F.S.; conforming 47 provisions to changes made by the act; revising the procedure for evaluating instructional materials; 48 providing standards to determine the propriety of 49 50 instructional materials; amending s. 1006.32, F.S.; 51 conforming provisions to changes made by the act; 52 repealing s. 1006.33, F.S., relating to bids, 53 proposals, and advertisement regarding instructional 54 materials; amending s. 1006.34, F.S.; revising the 55 powers and duties of the State Board of Education in 56 evaluating instructional materials to include

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57 collecting fees and adopting rules; conforming 58 provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 59 1006.35, F.S.; authorizing the Commissioner of 60 Education to remove materials from the list of 61 approved materials if the materials do not align with 62 applicable state standards; prohibiting a school 63 district from purchasing removed materials under 64 certain circumstances; amending s. 1006.36, F.S.; providing for the state review cycle for instructional 65 materials; amending s. 1006.37, F.S.; authorizing a 66 67 district school superintendent to requisition approved 68 instructional materials; conforming provisions to 69 changes made by the act; amending s. 1006.38, F.S.; 70 providing for applicability; revising duties of 71 publishers and manufacturers; amending s. 1006.40, 72 F.S.; revising the allocation for instructional 73 materials; amending s. 1001.10, F.S.; revising the 74 duties of the Commissioner of Education with regard to instructional materials, including submission of a 75 76 report to the Governor and the Legislature; amending 77 s. 1003.55, F.S.; requiring a publisher or 78 manufacturer of instructional materials that have been 79 approved by the Department of Education or a school 80 district to furnish the department with a computer 81 file in an electronic format specified by the 82 department; amending s. 1003.621, F.S.; conforming 83 provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made 84

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85 by the act; providing an effective date. 86 87 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 88 89 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and subsection 90 (2) of section 1006.28, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 1006.28 Duties of district school board, district school 91 92 superintendent; and school principal regarding K-12 instructional materials.-93 DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD.-The district school board has 94 (1)95 the duty to provide adequate instructional materials for all 96 students in accordance with the requirements of this part. The 97 term "adequate instructional materials" means a sufficient 98 number of student or site licenses or sets of materials that are 99 available in bound, unbound, kit, or package form and may 100 consist of hardbacked or softbacked textbooks, electronic content, consumables, learning laboratories, manipulatives, 101 102 electronic media, and computer courseware or software that serve as the basis for instruction for each student in the core 103 104 courses of mathematics, language arts, social studies, science, 105 reading, and literature. The district school board has the 106 following specific duties: 107 Instructional materials.-Provide for proper (b) 108 requisitioning, distribution, accounting, storage, care, and use of all instructional materials and furnish such other 109 110 instructional materials as may be needed. The district school 111 board shall ensure that instructional materials used in the 112 district are consistent with the district goals and objectives

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and the <u>course descriptions established in</u> curriculum frameworks adopted by rule of the State Board of Education, as well as with the state and district performance standards provided for in s. 1001.03(1).

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(2) DISTRICT SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.-

The district school superintendent has the duty to 118 (a) recommend such plans for improving, providing, distributing, 119 120 accounting for, and caring for instructional materials and other 121 instructional aids as will result in general improvement of the 122 district school system, as prescribed in this part, in 123 accordance with adopted district school board rules prescribing 124 the duties and responsibilities of the district school 125 superintendent regarding the requisition, purchase, receipt, 126 storage, distribution, use, conservation, records, and reports 127 of, and management practices and property accountability concerning, instructional materials, and providing for an 128 129 evaluation of any instructional materials to be requisitioned that have not been used previously in the district's schools. 130 The district school superintendent must keep adequate records 131 132 and accounts for all financial transactions for funds collected 133 pursuant to subsection (3), as a component of the educational 134 service delivery scope in a school district best financial 135 management practices review under s. 1008.35.

(b) <u>Beginning in the 2013-2014 school year</u>, each district
school superintendent shall <u>certify to the department by March</u>
<u>31 of each year that all core instructional materials used by</u>
<u>the district are aligned with applicable state standards. A list</u>
of the state-approved or district-approved core instructional

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141	materials that will be used or purchased for use by the school
142	district shall be included in the certification notify the
143	department by April 1 of each year the state-adopted
144	instructional materials that will be requisitioned for use in
145	his or her school district. The notification shall include a
146	district school board plan for instructional materials use to
147	assist in determining if adequate instructional materials have
148	been requisitioned.
149	(c) Each principal shall verify that all instructional
150	materials are fully and properly accounted for as prescribed by
151	adopted rules of the district school board.
152	Section 2. Section 1006.282, Florida Statutes, is
153	repealed.
154	Section 3. Section 1006.283, Florida Statutes, is created
155	to read:
156	1006.283 District school board instructional materials
157	review process
158	(1) A school board or consortium of school districts may
159	implement an instructional materials program that includes the
160	review, approval, and purchasing of instructional materials.
161	Beginning in the 2013-2014 school year, the district school
162	superintendent shall certify to the department by March 31 of
163	each year that all core instructional materials used by the
164	district are aligned with applicable state standards. Included
165	in the certification shall be a list of the core instructional
166	materials that will be used or purchased for use by the school
167	district.

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168 (2) The school board shall adopt rules implementing the district's instructional materials program, which must include, 169 170 but need not be limited to: 171 (a) Its review and purchase process. (b) 172 Identification of a review cycle for instructional 173 materials. 174 The duties and qualifications of the instructional (C) 175 materials reviewers. The requirements for an affidavit made by a district 176 (d) 177 instructional materials reviewer, which substantially includes 178 the requirements of s. 1006.30. (e) Compliance with s. 1006.32 relating to prohibited 179 180 acts. 181 (f) A process that certifies the accuracy of instructional 182 materials. 183 (q) The incorporation of applicable requirements of s. 184 1006.38 relating to the duties, responsibilities, and 185 requirements of publishers of instructional materials. 186 The process by which instructional materials will be (h) 187 purchased, including advertising, bidding, and purchasing 188 requirements. 189 (3) (a) The school board may set and collect fees from 190 publishers participating in the instructional materials approval 191 process. The amount assessed and collected shall be advertised 192 and must be reported to the district school board. The fees may 193 not exceed the fees that are assessed for those materials 194 submitted for review by the state as defined by the State Board 195 of Education. Any fees collected for this process shall be

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196 allocated for the support of the review process and maintained 197 in a separate line item for auditing purposes. Fees may not be 198 collected from publishers to review instructional materials that 199 are approved by the department and placed on the department's 200 website. 201 The fees shall be used to cover the actual cost of (b) 202 substitute teachers for each workday that a member of a school 203 district's instructional staff is absent from his or her 204 assigned duties for the purpose of rendering service as an 205 instructional materials reviewer. In addition, each reviewer may 206 be paid a stipend and is entitled to reimbursement for travel 207 expenses and per diem in accordance with s. 112.061 for actual 208 service in meetings. 209 Instructional materials that have been reviewed by the (4) 210 district instructional materials reviewers and approved must 211 have been determined to align with all applicable state standards pursuant to s. 1003.41 and the requirements in s. 212 213 1006.31. The district school superintendent must annually 214 certify to the department that the district's all core 215 instructional materials are aligned with all applicable state 216 standards. 217 (5) A publisher that offers instructional materials to a 218 district school board must provide such materials at a price 219 which, including all costs of electronic transmission, does not 220 exceed the lowest price at which the publisher offers such 221 instructional materials for approval or sale to any state or 222 school district in the United States.

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223 (6) A publisher shall reduce automatically the price of 224 the instructional materials to the district school board to the 225 extent that reductions are made elsewhere in the United States. 226 Section 4. Section 1006.29, Florida Statutes, is amended 227 to read: 228 1006.29 Department of Education State instructional 229 materials reviewers.-230 (1) For purposes of this section, the term "instructional 231 materials" means items that have intellectual content and that, 232 by design, serve as a major tool or for assisting in the 233 instruction of a subject or course. 234 (2) (1) (a) The commissioner shall determine annually the 235 areas in which instructional materials shall be submitted for 236 approval adoption, taking into consideration the desires of the 237 district school boards. The commissioner shall also determine 238 the number of titles to be adopted in each area. 239 (b) By April 15 of each school year, The department 240 commissioner shall appoint five reviewers for each submission by 241 a publisher or district school board three state or national 242 experts in the content areas submitted for adoption to review 243 for approval the instructional materials and evaluate the 244 content for alignment with the applicable Next Generation 245 Sunshine state standards. These reviewers shall be designated as 246 state instructional materials reviewers and shall review The materials shall be evaluated for the level of instructional 247 248 support and the accuracy and appropriateness of progression of 249 introduced content. Instructional materials shall be made 250 electronically available to the reviewers. The state review of

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251	the instructional materials shall be made by the five reviewers.
252	Two of the reviewers must be professional content experts, two
253	must be K-12 educators who are actively engaged in teaching or
254	in the supervision of teaching in the public elementary, middle,
255	or high schools and represent the major fields and levels in
256	which instructional materials are used in the public schools,
257	and one must be a lay person who is not professionally connected
258	with education. In the event that only four reviewers can be
259	procured, or if one of the five reviewers is unable to fulfill
260	his or her responsibilities, the additional reviewer may be a
261	content expert from the department. As part of the review
262	process, each reviewer shall be provided training on the
263	electronic review system. The reviewers shall independently make
264	recommendations to the commissioner regarding materials that
265	should be placed on the list of approved materials through an
266	electronic feedback review system.
267	(c) The department may assess and collect fees in
268	accordance with s. 1006.34(2). The amount assessed and collected
269	shall be advertised and must be reported to the State Board of
270	Education. Any fees collected for this process shall be
271	allocated for the support of the review process, maintained in a
272	separate account for auditing purposes, and deposited in the
273	department's Operating Trust Fund.
274	(d) Fees collected under paragraph (c) shall be used to
275	cover the cost of the review process, including the cost of any
276	meetings and applicable travel and per diem, and the amount paid
277	by a school district to substitute teachers who fill in for
278	instructional staff that are absent for the purpose of rendering
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279 service as instructional materials reviewers. In addition, each 280 reviewer may be paid a stipend and is entitled to reimbursement 281 for travel expenses and per diem in accordance with s. 112.061 282 for actual service in meetings The initial review of the 283 materials shall be made by only two of the three reviewers. If 284 the two reviewers reach different results, the third reviewer 285 shall break the tie. The reviewers shall independently make 286 recommendations to the commissioner regarding materials that 287 should be placed on the list of adopted materials through an 288 electronic feedback review system.

289 (e) (c) The commissioner shall request each district school 290 superintendent to nominate one classroom teacher or district-291 level content supervisor to review two or three of the 292 submissions recommended by the department state instructional 293 materials reviewers. School districts shall ensure that these district reviewers are provided with the support and time 294 295 necessary to accomplish a thorough review of the instructional 296 materials. District reviewers shall independently rate the 297 recommended submissions on the instructional usability of the 298 resources. District reviewers may be paid a stipend and are 299 entitled to reimbursement for travel expenses and per diem in 300 accordance with s. 112.061 for actual service in meetings, if 301 applicable.

302 <u>(3)(2)</u> For purposes of <u>approving materials</u> state adoption, 303 the term "instructional materials" means items having 304 intellectual content that by design serve as a major tool <u>or</u> for 305 assisting in the instruction of a subject or course. These items 306 may be available in bound, unbound, kit, or package form and may

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307 consist of hardbacked or softbacked textbooks, electronic 308 content, consumables, learning laboratories, manipulatives, 309 electronic media, and computer courseware or software. A 310 publisher or manufacturer providing instructional materials as a 311 single bundle shall also make the instructional materials 312 available as separate and unbundled items, each priced 313 individually. A publisher shall may also offer sections of 314 state-adopted instructional materials in digital or electronic 315 versions at reduced rates to districts, schools, and teachers.

316 <u>(4)(3)</u> Beginning in the 2015-2016 academic year, all 317 <u>approved adopted instructional materials for students in</u> 318 kindergarten through grade 12 must be provided in an electronic 319 or digital format. For purposes of this section, the term:

(a) "Electronic format" means text-based or image-based content in a form that is produced on, published by, and readable on computers or other digital devices and is an electronic version of a printed book, whether or not any printed equivalent exists.

(b) "Digital format" means text-based or image-based content in a form that provides the student with various interactive functions; that can be searched, tagged, distributed, and used for individualized and group learning; that includes multimedia content such as video clips, animations, and virtual reality; and that has the ability to be accessed at any time and anywhere.

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333 The terms do not include electronic or computer hardware even if 334 such hardware is bundled with software or other electronic 335 media, nor does it include equipment or supplies.

336 (5) (4) The department shall develop a training program for 337 persons selected to review submitted as state instructional 338 materials reviewers and school district reviewers. The program 339 shall be structured to assist reviewers in developing the skills 340 necessary to make valid, culturally sensitive, and objective 341 decisions regarding the content and rigor of instructional 342 materials. All persons reviewing serving as instructional 343 materials reviewers must complete the training program prior to 344 beginning the review and selection process.

345 By March 1 of each year, the department shall post on (6) 346 its website a list of department-approved instructional 347 materials and instructional materials approved by other states 348 which align with applicable state standards. The list shall be 349 maintained and updated periodically. The list shall be 350 comprehensive and include sufficient instructional materials or 351 major tools to cover all of the core content areas. The posting 352 must include the purchase price of each product once it is 353 purchased anywhere in the United States. In addition to the 354 posting, the department shall send school district 355 administrators periodic updates to the website. Districtapproved instructional materials shall also be posted on the 356 357 website. 358 Section 5. Section 1006.30, Florida Statutes, is amended 359 to read:

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360 1006.30 Affidavit of <u>Department of Education</u> state 361 instructional materials reviewers.—Before transacting any 362 business, each <u>department</u> state instructional materials reviewer 363 shall make an affidavit, to be filed with the department, that:

364 (1) The reviewer will faithfully discharge the duties365 imposed upon him or her.

366 (2) The reviewer has no interest in any publishing or
 367 manufacturing organization that produces or sells instructional
 368 materials.

369 (3) The reviewer is in no way connected with the370 distribution of the instructional materials.

371 (4) The reviewer does not have any direct or indirect
372 pecuniary interest in the business or profits of any person
373 engaged in manufacturing, publishing, or selling instructional
374 materials designed for use in the public schools.

(5) The reviewer will not accept any emolument or promise of future reward of any kind from any publisher or manufacturer of instructional materials or his or her agent or anyone interested in, or intending to bias his or her judgment in any way in, the selection of any materials to be approved adopted.

380 The reviewer understands that it is unlawful to (6) 381 discuss matters relating to instructional materials submitted 382 for approval adoption with any agent of a publisher or 383 manufacturer of instructional materials, either directly or 384 indirectly, except during the period when the publisher or 385 manufacturer is providing a presentation for the reviewer during 386 his or her review of the instructional materials submitted for 387 approval adoption.

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388 Section 6. Section 1006.31, Florida Statutes, is amended 389 to read:

390 1006.31 Duties of <u>the Department of Education and school</u> 391 <u>district</u> cach state instructional materials reviewer.—The duties 392 of the cach state instructional materials reviewer are:

(1) PROCEDURES.—To adhere to procedures prescribed by the department <u>or the district</u> for evaluating instructional materials submitted by publishers and manufacturers in each review for approval adoption.

(2) EVALUATION OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS.—To evaluate carefully all instructional materials submitted, in order to ascertain which instructional materials, if any, submitted for consideration implement the selection criteria developed by the department <u>or the district</u> and those curricular objectives included within applicable performance standards provided for in s. 1001.03(1).

404 When evaluating recommending instructional materials (a) for use in the schools, each reviewer shall include only 405 406 instructional materials that accurately portray the ethnic, 407 socioeconomic, cultural, and racial diversity of our society, 408 including men and women in professional, career, and executive 409 roles, and the role and contributions of the entrepreneur and 410 labor in the total development of this state and the United 411 States.

(b) When <u>evaluating</u> recommending instructional materials
for use in the schools, each reviewer shall include only
materials that accurately portray, whenever appropriate,
humankind's place in ecological systems, including the necessity

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416 for the protection of our environment and conservation of our 417 natural resources and the effects on the human system of the use 418 of tobacco, alcohol, controlled substances, and other dangerous 419 substances.

(c) When <u>evaluating</u> recommending instructional materials for use in the schools, each reviewer shall require such materials as he or she deems necessary and proper to encourage thrift, fire prevention, and humane treatment of people and animals.

425 (d) When evaluating recommending instructional materials 426 for use in the schools, each reviewer shall require, when 427 appropriate to the comprehension of students, that materials for 428 social science, history, or civics classes contain the 429 Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United 430 States. A reviewer may not recommend any instructional materials 431 for use in the schools which contain any matter reflecting 432 unfairly upon persons because of their race, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, gender, or occupation. 433

(e) When evaluating instructional materials, library
media, and other reading material for use in the schools, a
reviewer shall use the following standards to determine the
propriety of the material:

438 <u>1. The age of students who normally could be expected to</u>
 439 <u>have access to the material.</u>

The educational purpose to be served by the material.
 In considering instructional materials for classroom use,
 priority shall be given to the selection of materials that
 encompass the state and district school board performance

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to read:

444 standards provided for in s. 1001.03(1) and include the 445 instructional objectives contained within the course 446 descriptions established in rule by the State Board of 447 Education. 448 3. The degree to which the material would be supplemented 449 and explained by mature classroom instruction as part of a 450 normal classroom instructional program. 451 4. The degree to which the material represents the broad 452 racial, ethnic, socioeconomic, and cultural diversity of 453 students in the state. 454 455 Any instructional material containing pornography or otherwise 456 prohibited by s. 847.012 may not be used or made available 457 within any public school. 458 (c) (e) Any Instructional material recommended by a each 459 reviewer for use in the schools shall be, to the satisfaction of 460 the each reviewer, accurate, objective, and current and suited 461 to the needs and comprehension of students at their respective 462 grade levels. Reviewers shall consider for adoption materials 463 developed for academically talented students such as those 464 enrolled in advanced placement courses. 465 (3) REPORT OF REVIEWERS.-After a thorough study of all 466 data submitted on each instructional material, to submit an 467 electronic report to the department. The report shall be made 468 public and must include responses to each section of the report 469 format prescribed by the department. 470 Section 7. Section 1006.32, Florida Statutes, is amended

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1006.32 Prohibited acts.-

(1) A publisher or manufacturer of instructional material,
or any representative thereof, may not offer to give any
emolument, money, or other valuable thing, or any inducement, to
any district school board official or <u>department or district</u>
state instructional materials reviewer to directly or indirectly
introduce, recommend, vote for, or otherwise influence the
<u>approval</u> <u>adoption</u> or purchase of any instructional materials.

(2) A district school board official or a <u>department or</u> district state instructional materials reviewer may not solicit or accept any emolument, money, or other valuable thing, or any inducement, to directly or indirectly introduce, recommend, vote for, or otherwise influence the <u>approval</u> adoption or purchase of any instructional material.

486 (3) A district school board or publisher may not
487 participate in a pilot program of materials being considered for
488 adoption during the 18-month period before the official adoption
489 of the materials by the commissioner. Any pilot program during
490 the first 2 years of the adoption period must have the prior
491 approval of the commissioner.

492 (3) (4) A Any publisher or manufacturer of instructional 493 materials or representative thereof or a any district school 494 board official or department or district state instructional 495 materials reviewer who violates any provision of this section 496 commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as 497 provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083. A Any representative of a 498 publisher or manufacturer who violates any provision of this 499 section, in addition to any other penalty, shall be banned from

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500 practicing business in the state for a period of 1 calendar 501 year.

502 <u>(4)(5)</u> This section does not prohibit any publisher, 503 manufacturer, or agent from supplying, for purposes of 504 examination, necessary sample copies of instructional materials 505 to any district school board official or <u>department or district</u> 506 state instructional materials reviewer.

507 <u>(5)(6)</u> This section does not prohibit a district school 508 board official or <u>department or district</u> state instructional 509 materials reviewer from receiving sample copies of instructional 510 materials.

511 (6) (7) This section does not prohibit or restrict a 512 district school board official from receiving royalties or other 513 compensation, other than compensation paid to him or her as 514 commission for negotiating sales to district school boards, from 515 the publisher or manufacturer of instructional materials 516 written, designed, or prepared by such district school board 517 official, and adopted by the commissioner or purchased by any 518 district school board. A No district school board official may 519 not shall be allowed to receive royalties on any materials not 520 on the state-adopted list purchased for use by his or her 521 district school board.

522 <u>(7)(8)</u> A district school superintendent, district school 523 board member, teacher, or other person officially connected with 524 the government or direction of public schools may not receive 525 during the months actually engaged in performing duties under 526 his or her contract any private fee, gratuity, donation, or 527 compensation, in any manner whatsoever, for promoting the sale

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528 or exchange of any instructional material, map, or chart in any 529 public school, or be an agent for the sale or the publisher of 530 any instructional material or reference work, or have a direct 531 or indirect pecuniary interest in the introduction of any such 532 instructional material, and any such agency or interest shall 533 disgualify any person so acting or interested from holding any 534 district school board employment whatsoever, and the person 535 commits a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 or s. 775.083; however, this subsection 536 537 does not prevent the approval adoption of any instructional 538 material written in whole or in part by a Florida author.

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Section 8. <u>Section 1006.33</u>, Florida Statutes, is repealed. Section 9. Section 1006.34, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

542 1006.34 Powers and duties of the <u>State Board of Education</u> 543 commissioner and the department in <u>evaluating</u> selecting and 544 adopting instructional materials.-

545 PROCEDURES FOR EVALUATING INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS.-The (1)546 State Board of Education shall adopt rules prescribing the 547 procedures by which the department shall evaluate instructional 548 materials submitted by publishers and manufacturers in each 549 review for approval adoption. Included in these procedures shall 550 be provisions affording each publisher or manufacturer or his or 551 her representative an opportunity to provide a live virtual or 552 in-person presentation to the department state instructional 553 materials reviewers on the merits of each instructional material 554 submitted in each review for approval adoption.

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555 FEES.-The State Board of Education may set and collect (2) 556 fees from publishers participating in the instructional 557 materials approval process who request a review of their 558 submitted materials by the department. The fees set by the State 559 Board of Education shall specify the amount that may be 560 collected by the department per submission from publishers for 561 review. The fees may not exceed the actual costs necessary to 562 support the cost of reviewing instructional materials, 563 including, but not limited to, the costs associated with 564 reviewers. The State Board of Education shall adopt rules 565 regarding the fees. 566 (2) SELECTION AND ADOPTION OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS.-567 (a) The department shall notify all publishers and 568 manufacturers of instructional materials who have submitted bids that within 3 weeks after the deadline for receiving bids, at a 569 570 designated time and place, it will open the bids submitted and 571 deposited with it. At the time and place designated, the bids 572 shall be opened, read, and tabulated in the presence of the 573 bidders or their representatives. No one may revise his or her 574 bid after the bids have been filed. When all bids have been 575 carefully considered, the commissioner shall, from the list of 576 suitable, usable, and desirable instructional materials reported 577 by the state instructional materials reviewers, select and adopt instructional materials for each grade and subject field in the 578 579 curriculum of public elementary, middle, and high schools in 580 which adoptions are made and in the subject areas designated in 581 the advertisement. The adoption shall continue for the period 582 specified in the advertisement, beginning on the ensuing April

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583 1. The adoption shall not prevent the extension of a contract as 584 provided in subsection (3). The commissioner shall always 585 reserve the right to reject any and all bids. The commissioner 586 may ask for new sealed bids from publishers or manufacturers 587 whose instructional materials were recommended by the state 588 instructional materials reviewers as suitable, usable, and desirable; specify the dates for filing such bids and the date 589 590 on which they shall be opened; and proceed in all matters 591 regarding the opening of bids and the awarding of contracts as 592 required by this part. In all cases, bids shall be accompanied 593 by a cash deposit or certified check of from \$500 to \$2,500, as 594 the department may direct. The department, in adopting 595 instructional materials, shall give due consideration both to 596 the prices bid for furnishing instructional materials and to the 597 report and recommendations of the state instructional materials reviewers. When the commissioner has finished with the report of 598 599 the state instructional materials reviewers, the report shall be 600 filed and preserved with the department and shall be available 601 at all times for public inspection. 602 (b) In the selection of instructional materials, library 603 media, and other reading material used in the public school 604 system, the standards used to determine the propriety of the 605 material shall include: 606 1. The age of the students who normally could be expected 607 to have access to the material. The educational purpose to be served by the material. 608 2. 609 In considering instructional materials for classroom use, 610 priority shall be given to the selection of materials which

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611 encompass the state and district school board performance 612 standards provided for in s. 1001.03(1) and which include the instructional objectives contained within the curriculum 61.3 614 frameworks approved by rule of the State Board of Education. 615 3. The degree to which the material would be supplemented 616 and explained by mature classroom instruction as part of a 617 normal classroom instructional program. 618 4. The consideration of the broad racial, ethnic, socioeconomic, and cultural diversity of the students of this 619 620 state. 621 622 Any instructional material containing pornography or otherwise prohibited by s. 847.012 may not be used or made available 623 624 within any public school. 625 (3) CONTRACT WITH PUBLISHERS OR MANUFACTURERS; BOND.-As 626 soon as practicable after the commissioner has adopted any instructional materials and all bidders that have secured the 627 628 adoption of any instructional materials have been notified 629 thereof by registered letter, the department shall prepare a 630 contract in proper form with every bidder awarded the adoption 631 of any instructional materials. Each contract shall be executed 632 by the commissioner, one copy to be kept by the contractor and one copy to be filed with the department. After giving due 633 634 consideration to comments by the district school boards, the 635 commissioner, with the agreement of the publisher, may extend or 636 shorten a contract period for a period not to exceed 2 years; 637 and the terms of any such contract shall remain the same as in 638 the original contract. Any publisher or manufacturer to whom any

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639 contract is let under this part must give bond in such amount as 640 the department requires, payable to the state, conditioned for 641 the faithful, honest, and exact performance of the contract. The 642 bond must provide for the payment of reasonable attorney's fees 643 in case of recovery in any suit thereon. The surety on the bond 644 must be a guaranty or surety company lawfully authorized to do 645 business in the state; however, the bond shall not be exhausted 646 by a single recovery but may be sued upon from time to time 647 until the full amount thereof is recovered, and the department 648 may at any time, after giving 30 days' notice, require 649 additional security or additional bond. The form of any bond or 650 bonds or contract or contracts under this part shall be prepared 651 and approved by the department. At the discretion of the 652 department, a publisher or manufacturer to whom any contract is 653 let under this part may be allowed a cash deposit in lieu of a 654 bond, conditioned for the faithful, honest, and exact 655 performance of the contract. The cash deposit, payable to the 656 department, shall be placed in the Textbook Bid Trust Fund. The 657 department may recover damages on the cash deposit given by the 658 contractor for failure to furnish instructional materials, the 659 sum recovered to inure to the General Revenue Fund. 660 (4) RECULATIONS COVERNING THE CONTRACT.-The department 661 may, from time to time, take any necessary actions, consistent 662 with this part, to secure the prompt and faithful performance of 663 all instructional materials contracts; and if any contractor 664 fails or refuses to furnish instructional materials as provided 665 in this part or otherwise breaks his or her contract, the 666 department may sue on the required bond in the name of the

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667 state, in the courts of the state having jurisdiction, and 668 recover damages on the bond given by the contractor for failure 669 to furnish instructional materials, the sum recovered to inure 670 to the General Revenue Fund.

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(5) RETURN OF DEPOSITS.-

672 (a) The successful bidder shall be notified by registered 673 mail of the award of contract and shall, within 30 days after 674 receipt of the contract, execute the proper contract and post 675 the required bond. When the bond and contract have been 676 executed, the department shall notify the Chief Financial 677 Officer and request that a warrant be issued against the 678 Textbook Bid Trust Fund payable to the successful bidder in the 679 amount deposited pursuant to this part. The Chief Financial 680 Officer shall issue and forward the warrant to the department 681 for distribution to the bidder.

682 (b) At the same time or prior thereto, the department 683 shall inform the Chief Financial Officer of the names of the 684 unsuccessful bidders. Upon receipt of such notice, the Chief 685 Financial Officer shall issue warrants against the Textbook Bid 686 Trust Fund payable to the unsuccessful bidders in the amounts 687 deposited pursuant to this part and shall forward the warrants 688 to the department for distribution to the unsuccessful bidders. 689 (c) One copy of each contract and an original of each bid, 690 whether accepted or rejected, shall be preserved with the 691 department for at least 3 years after the termination of the

692 contract.

693 (6) DEPOSITS FORFEITED.—If any successful bidder fails or
 694 refuses to execute contract and bond within 30 days after

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695 receipt of the contract, the cash deposit shall be forfeited to 696 the state and placed by the Chief Financial Officer in the 697 General Revenue Fund. 698 (7) FORFEITURE OF CONTRACT AND BOND.-If any publisher or 699 manufacturer of instructional materials fails or refuses to 700 furnish instructional materials as provided in the contract, the 701 publisher's or manufacturer's bond is forfeited and the 702 commissioner must make another contract. 703 Section 10. Section 1006.35, Florida Statutes, is amended 704 to read: 705 1006.35 Accuracy of instructional materials.-706 (1)In addition to relying on statements of publishers or 707 manufacturers of instructional materials, the commissioner may 708 conduct or cause to be conducted an independent investigation to 709 determine the accuracy of approved state-adopted instructional 710 materials.

711 (2) When errors in <u>approved</u> state-adopted materials are 712 confirmed, the publisher <u>or manufacturer</u> of the materials shall 713 provide to each district school board that has purchased the 714 materials the corrections in a format approved by the 715 department.

716 (3) The commissioner may remove materials from the list of 717 <u>approved state-adopted materials:</u>

718 (a) If he or she finds that the content is in error and 719 the publisher <u>or manufacturer</u> refuses to correct the error when 720 notified by the department.

721 (b) (4) The commissioner may remove materials from the list 722 of state-adopted materials At the request of the publisher <u>or</u>

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723 <u>manufacturer</u> if, in <u>the commissioner's</u> his or her opinion, there 724 is no material impact on the state's education goals.

725 (c) If the materials do not align with all applicable 726 state standards.

(4) If the commissioner removes materials from the list of
 approved materials, the district may not purchase them for use
 in core content areas.

730 Section 11. Section 1006.36, Florida Statutes, is amended 731 to read:

1006.36 <u>State review cycle</u> Term of adoption for
instructional materials.-

(1) The <u>state review cycle</u> term of adoption of any
instructional materials <u>shall</u> must be a 5-year period beginning
on April 1 following the adoption, except that the commissioner
may approve <u>alternative schedules</u> terms of adoption of less than
5 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).

741 (2)The department shall publish annually an official 742 schedule of subject areas to be called for review adoption for 743 each of the succeeding 2 years, and a tentative schedule for 744 years 3, 4, and 5. If extenuating circumstances warrant, the 745 commissioner may add one or more subject areas to the official 746 schedule, in which event the commissioner shall develop criteria 747 for such additional subject area or areas and make them 748 available to publishers or manufacturers as soon as practicable 749 before the date on which submission for review is bids are due. 750 The schedule shall be developed so as to promote balance among

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751 the subject areas so that the required expenditure for new 752 instructional materials is approximately the same each year in 753 order to maintain curricular consistency.

754 Section 12. Section 1006.37, Florida Statutes, is amended 755 to read:

756 1006.37 Requisition of instructional materials from 757 publisher's depository.-

758 (1) The district school superintendent may shall 759 requisition approved adopted instructional materials from the depository of the publisher with whom a contract has been made. 760 761 However, the superintendent shall requisition current 762 instructional materials to provide each student with a textbook 763 or other materials as a major tool of instruction in core 764 courses of the subject areas specified in s. 1006.40(2). These 765 materials must be requisitioned within the first 2 years of the 766 adoption cycle, except for instructional materials related to 767 growth of student membership or instructional materials 768 maintenance needs. The superintendent may requisition 769 instructional materials in the core subject areas specified in 770 s. 1006.40(2) that are related to growth of student membership 771 or instructional materials maintenance needs during the 3rd, 772 4th, 5th, and 6th years of the original contract period. 773 (2) The district school superintendent shall verify that 774 the requisition is complete and accurate and order the 775 depository to forward to him or her the adopted instructional 776 materials shown by the requisition. The depository shall prepare 777 an invoice of the materials shipped, including shipping charges, 778 and mail it to the superintendent to whom the shipment is being

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779 made. The superintendent shall pay the depository within 60 days 780 after receipt of the requisitioned materials from the appropriation for the purchase of adopted instructional 781 782 materials. 783 Section 13. 1006.38, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 784 1006.38 Duties, responsibilities, and requirements of 785 instructional materials publishers and manufacturers.-This 786 section applies to both the state and district approval 787 processes. Publishers and manufacturers of instructional 788 materials, or their representatives, shall: 789 Comply with all provisions of this part. (1)790 (2)Electronically deliver fully developed sample copies 791 of all instructional materials upon which reviews bids are based 792 to the department pursuant to procedures adopted by the State 793 Board of Education. 794 (3) Submit, at a time designated in s. 1006.33, the 795 following information: 796 Detailed specifications of the physical (a) 797 characteristics of the instructional materials, including any 798 software or technological tools required for use by the 799 district, school, teachers, or students. The publisher or 800 manufacturer shall comply with these specifications if the 801 instructional materials are approved adopted and purchased in 802 completed form. 803 (b) Evidence that the publisher or manufacturer has 804 provided materials that address the performance standards 805 provided for in s. 1001.03(1) and that can be accessed through

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806 the district's local instructional improvement system and a 807 variety of electronic, digital, and mobile devices.

808 (c) Evidence that the instructional materials include 809 specific references to statewide standards in the teacher's 810 manual and incorporate such standards into chapter tests or the 811 assessments. Beginning in the 2013-2014 adoption year, the 812 statewide standards shall not be included at the point of 813 student use.

(5) Furnish the instructional materials offered by them at
a price in the state which, including all costs of electronic
transmission, may not exceed the lowest price at which they
offer such instructional materials for <u>approval</u> adoption or sale
to any state or school district in the United States.

819 (6) Reduce automatically the price of the instructional
820 materials to any district school board to the extent that
821 reductions are made elsewhere in the United States.

(7) Provide any instructional materials free of charge in
the state to the same extent as they are provided free of charge
to any state or school district in the United States.

(8) Guarantee that all copies of any instructional materials sold in this state will be at least equal in quality to the copies of such instructional materials that are sold elsewhere in the United States and will be kept revised, free from all errors, and up-to-date as may be required by the department.

(9) Agree that any supplementary material developed at thedistrict or state level does not violate the author's or

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833 publisher's copyright, provided such material is developed in 834 accordance with the doctrine of fair use.

835 (10) Not in any way, directly or indirectly, become 836 associated or connected with any combination in restraint of 837 trade in instructional materials, nor enter into any 838 understanding, agreement, or combination to control prices or 839 restrict competition in the sale of instructional materials for 840 use in the state.

841 (11) Furnish the instructional materials offered by them 842 at a price in the state which, including all costs of electronic 843 transmission, may not exceed the lowest price at which they 844 offer such instructional materials for approval or sale to any 845 other school district in the state.

846 (12) Provide the department and school districts with the 847 cost paid for an instructional materials product by a school or 848 district anywhere in the United States. The cost paid for that 849 product must remain the same for all future sales and must be 850 posted on all marketing materials.

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(11) Maintain or contract with a depository in the state. 852 (12) For the core subject areas specified in s. 853 1006.40(2), maintain in the depository for the first 2 years of 854 the contract an inventory of instructional materials sufficient 855 to receive and fill orders.

856 (13) For the core subject areas specified in s. 857 1006.40(2), ensure the availability of an inventory sufficient 858 to receive and fill orders for instructional materials for 859 growth, including the opening of a new school, and replacement

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860 during the 3rd and subsequent years of the original contract 861 period.

(14) Accurately and fully disclose only the names of those persons who actually authored the instructional materials. In addition to the penalties provided in subsection (16), the commissioner may remove from the list of <u>state-approved</u> state- adopted instructional materials those instructional materials whose publisher or manufacturer misleads the purchaser by falsely representing genuine authorship.

(15) Grant, without prior written request, for any copyright held by the publisher or its agencies automatic permission to the department or its agencies for the reproduction of instructional materials and supplementary materials in Braille, large print, or other appropriate format for use by visually impaired students or other students with disabilities that would benefit from use of the materials.

876 (16) Upon the willful failure of the publisher or 877 manufacturer to comply with the requirements of this section, be liable to the department in the amount of three times the total 878 879 sum which the publisher or manufacturer was paid in excess of 880 the price required under subsections (5) and (6) and in the 881 amount of three times the total value of the instructional 882 materials and services which the district school board is 883 entitled to receive free of charge under subsection (7).

884Section 14.Subsections (2), (3), and (4) of section8851006.40, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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886 1006.40 Use of instructional materials allocation; 887 instructional materials, library books, and reference books; 888 repair of books.-

889 Each district school board must provide purchase (2) 890 current instructional materials to provide each student with a 891 major tool or assistance of instruction in core courses of the subject areas of mathematics, language arts, science, social 892 893 studies, reading, and literature for kindergarten through grade 894 12. Such purchase must be made within the first 2 years after 895 the effective date of the adoption cycle. For the 2012-2013 896 mathematics adoption, a district using a comprehensive 897 mathematics instructional materials program adopted in the 2009-898 2010 adoption shall be deemed in compliance with this subsection 899 if it provides each student with such additional state-adopted 900 materials as may be necessary to align the previously adopted 901 comprehensive program to common core standards and the other 902 criteria of the 2012-2013 mathematics adoption.

903 (3) (a) By the 2015-2016 fiscal year, each district school 904 board shall use at least 50 percent of the annual allocation for 905 the purchase of digital or electronic instructional materials 906 <u>that align with state standards</u> included on the state-adopted 907 list, except as otherwise authorized in paragraphs (b) and (c).

908 (b) Up to 50 percent of the annual allocation may be used 909 for the purchase of instructional materials, including library 910 and reference books and nonprint materials, not included on the 911 state-adopted list and for the repair and renovation of

912 textbooks and library books.

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913 (c) District school boards may use 100 percent of that 914 portion of the annual allocation designated for the purchase of 915 instructional materials for kindergarten, and 75 percent of that 916 portion of the annual allocation designated for the purchase of 917 instructional materials for first grade, to purchase materials 918 not on the state-adopted list.

Remaining funds may The funds described in subsection 919 (4)920 (3) which district school boards may use to purchase materials 921 not on the state-adopted list shall be used for the purchase of 922 instructional materials or other items including library and 923 reference books and nonprint materials, having intellectual 924 content which assist in the instruction of a subject or course. 925 These items may be available in bound, unbound, kit, or package 926 form and may consist of hardbacked or softbacked textbooks, 927 electronic content, replacements for items which were part of 928 previously purchased instructional materials, consumables, 929 learning laboratories, manipulatives, electronic media, computer 930 courseware or software, and other commonly accepted 931 instructional tools as prescribed by district school board rule.

932 Section 15. Paragraphs (o), (p), and (q) of subsection (6) 933 of section 1001.10, Florida Statutes, are amended, and paragraph 934 (r) is added to that section to read:

935 1001.10 Commissioner of Education; general powers and 936 duties.-

937 (6) Additionally, the commissioner has the following938 general powers and duties:

939 (o) To develop criteria for use by <u>department</u> state
 940 instructional materials reviewers in evaluating materials

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941 submitted for <u>approval</u> adoption consideration. The criteria 942 shall, as appropriate, be based on instructional expectations 943 reflected in <u>course descriptions</u> curriculum frameworks and 944 student performance standards. The criteria for each subject or 945 course shall be made available to publishers <u>and manufacturers</u> 946 of instructional materials pursuant to the requirements of 947 chapter 1006.

948 (p) To prescribe procedures for evaluating instructional
 949 materials submitted by publishers and manufacturers in each
 950 review for approval adoption.

951 (q) To <u>remove any materials approved by the state or a</u> 952 <u>district</u> enter into agreement with Space Florida to develop 953 <u>innovative aerospace-related education programs that promote</u> 954 <u>mathematics and science education for grades K-20</u>.

955 (r) To submit to the Governor, the President of the 956 Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the 957 State Board of Education an annual report regarding district and 958 state instructional materials reviews, the impact on the quality 959 and availability of instructional materials, and the cost-960 effectiveness of the state and district review processes. The 961 report shall be submitted on January 1 following the first 962 fiscal year of implementation of the program and each year 963 thereafter.

964 Section 16. Subsection (5) of section 1003.55, Florida 965 Statutes, is amended to read:

966 1003.55 Instructional programs for blind or visually 967 impaired students and deaf or hard-of-hearing students.-

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968 Any publisher or manufacturer of instructional (5) 969 materials that have been approved by the department or a school 970 district a textbook adopted pursuant to the state instructional 971 materials adoption process shall furnish the department of 972 Education with a computer file in an electronic format specified by the department at least 2 years in advance that is readily 973 974 translatable to Braille and can be used for large print or 975 speech access. Any instructional materials textbook reproduced 976 pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be purchased 977 at a price equal to the price paid for the instructional 978 materials textbook as approved adopted. The department of 979 Education shall not reproduce instructional materials textbooks 980 obtained pursuant to this subsection in any manner that would 981 generate revenues for the department from the use of such 982 computer files or that would preclude the rightful payment of 983 fees to the publisher or manufacturer for use of all or some 984 portion of the instructional materials textbook.

985 Section 17. Paragraph (j) of subsection (2) of section 986 1003.621, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

987 1003.621 Academically high-performing school districts.-It 988 is the intent of the Legislature to recognize and reward school 989 districts that demonstrate the ability to consistently maintain 990 or improve their high-performing status. The purpose of this 991 section is to provide high-performing school districts with 992 flexibility in meeting the specific requirements in statute and 993 rules of the State Board of Education.

994 (2) COMPLIANCE WITH STATUTES AND RULES.—Each academically995 high-performing school district shall comply with all of the

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996 provisions in chapters 1000-1013, and rules of the State Board 997 of Education which implement these provisions, pertaining to the 998 following:

(j) Those statutes relating to instructional materials, except that <u>s. 1006.40</u> s. 1006.37, relating to the requisition of state-adopted materials from the depository under contract with the publisher, and s. 1006.40(3)(a), relating to the use of percent of the instructional materials allocation, <u>is shall</u> be eligible for exemption.

1005 Section 18. Paragraph (b) of subsection (6) of section 1006 1011.62, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1007 1011.62 Funds for operation of schools.—If the annual 1008 allocation from the Florida Education Finance Program to each 1009 district for operation of schools is not determined in the 1010 annual appropriations act or the substantive bill implementing 1011 the annual appropriations act, it shall be determined as 1012 follows:

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(6) CATEGORICAL FUNDS.-

1014 If a district school board finds and declares in a (b) 1015 resolution approved adopted at a regular meeting of the school 1016 board that the funds received for any of the following 1017 categorical appropriations are urgently needed to maintain 1018 school board specified academic classroom instruction specified 1019 by the school board, the school board may consider and approve 1020 an amendment to the school district operating budget 1021 transferring the identified amount of the categorical funds to 1022 the appropriate account for expenditure:

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1. Funds for student transportation.

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2. Funds for safe schools.

1025 3. Funds for supplemental academic instruction if the 1026 required additional hour of instruction beyond the normal school 1027 day for each day of the entire school year has been provided for 1028 the students in each low-performing elementary school in the 1029 district pursuant to paragraph (1)(f).

1030 4. Funds for research-based reading instruction if the 1031 required additional hour of instruction beyond the normal school 1032 day for each day of the entire school year has been provided for 1033 the students in each low-performing elementary school in the 1034 district pursuant to paragraph (9)(a).

Funds for instructional materials if all instructional 1035 5. 1036 material purchases necessary to provide updated materials that 1037 are aligned with applicable to Next Generation Sunshine state 1038 standards and course descriptions benchmarks and that meet 1039 statutory requirements of content and learning have been 1040 completed for that fiscal year, but no sooner than March 1. 1041 Funds available after March 1 may be used to purchase hardware for student instruction. 1042

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Section 19. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.

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