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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate House

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Representative Adkins offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendment)

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Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert: Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 1001.372, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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1001.372 District school board meetings.-

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(1) REGULAR AND SPECIAL MEETINGS.-

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items proposed by the district school superintendent or a member of the board, shall hold not less than one regular meeting each month for the transaction of business according to a schedule

(a) The district school board, after considering agenda

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arranged by the district school board. The district school board shall convene at least one regular meeting each quarter within a

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school year which begins no earlier than 5 p.m. The district

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school board shall create written criteria for convening such a

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(b) The district school board and shall convene in a special meeting sessions when called by the district school superintendent or by the district school superintendent on request of the chair of the district school board, or on request of a majority of the members of the district school board. If the district school superintendent does not call a special meeting when requested to do so, as prescribed in this paragraph, such a meeting may be called by the chair of the district school board or by a majority of the members of the district school board by giving 2 days' written notice of the time and purpose of the meeting to all members and to the district school superintendent. An action; provided that actions taken at a special meeting has meetings shall have the same force and effect as if taken at a regular meeting, and; and provided further that in the event the district school superintendent should fail to call a special meeting when requested to do so, as prescribed herein, such a meeting may be called by the chair of the district school board or by a majority of the members of the district school board by giving 2 days' written notice of the time and purpose of the meeting to all members and to the district school superintendent, in which event the minutes of the meeting must shall set forth the facts regarding the procedure in calling the meeting and the reason the meeting was called. The minutes must therefor and shall be signed either by the chair or by a majority of the members of the district school board.

Section 2. Section 1001.41, Florida Statutes, is amended to

read:

1001.41 General powers of district school board.—The district school board, after considering recommendations submitted by the district school superintendent or a member of the school board, shall exercise the following general powers:

- (1) Determine policies and programs consistent with state law and rule deemed necessary by it for the efficient operation and general improvement of the district school system.
- (2) Adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement the provisions of law conferring duties upon it to supplement those prescribed by the State Board of Education and the Commissioner of Education.
- (3) Prescribe and adopt standards and policies to provide each student the opportunity to receive a complete education program, including language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, health, physical education, foreign languages, and the arts, as defined by the Sunshine State Standards. The standards and policies must emphasize integration and reinforcement of reading, writing, and mathematics skills across all subjects, including career awareness, career exploration, and career and technical education.
- (4) Contract, sue, and be sued. The district school board shall constitute the contracting agent for the district school system.
- (5) Perform duties and exercise those responsibilities that are assigned to it by law or by rules of the State Board of Education or the Commissioner of Education and, in addition thereto, those that it may find to be necessary for the

improvement of the district school system in carrying out the purposes and objectives of the education code.

- (6) Assign students to schools. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if a parent of a public school student has died while the student is attending a public school, the district school board must provide the student the option to remain at that school until the student is promoted to middle school or high school or graduates from high school, as applicable. However, this option is unavailable to a student who has been suspended in school more than once, expelled, or suspended out of school from that school.
- (7) Enter into agreements for accepting credit card, charge card, and debit card payments as compensation for goods, services, tuition, and fees, as authorized by law.

Section 3. Paragraph (1) of subsection (12) of section 1001.42, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

- 1001.42 Powers and duties of district school board.—The district school board, acting as a board, shall exercise all powers and perform all duties listed below:
- (12) FINANCE.—Take steps to assure students adequate educational facilities through the financial procedure authorized in chapters 1010 and 1011 and as prescribed below:
- (1) Internal auditor.—May employ an internal auditor to perform ongoing financial verification of the financial records of the school district and such other audits and reviews as the district school board directs for the purpose of overseeing school district resources and determining compliance with applicable laws and district school board-approved policies,

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procedures, and contracts. The internal auditor shall report directly to the district school board or its designee.

Section 4. Subsections (4) and (5) of section 1006.07, Florida Statutes, are reordered and amended, and subsection (6) of that section is amended, to read:

1006.07 District school board duties relating to student discipline and school safety.—The district school board shall provide for the proper accounting for all students, for the attendance and control of students at school, and for proper attention to health, safety, and other matters relating to the welfare of students, including:

- (5) (4) EMERGENCY DRILLS; EMERGENCY PROCEDURES. -
- (a) Formulate and prescribe policies and procedures for emergency lockdown drills, emergency evacuation drills, and for actual emergencies, including, but not limited to, fires, natural disasters, weapon-use and hostage situations, and bomb threats, for all the public schools of the district which comprise grades K-12. District school board policies must shall include commonly used alarm system responses for specific types of emergencies and verification by each school that drills have been provided as required by law and fire protection codes. As used in this paragraph, the term "evacuation drill" means an activity in which students and faculty practice the safest and quickest way to evacuate a school facility in case of an emergency in which evacuation is generally the safest option, such as in the case of a fire. As used in this paragraph, the term "lockdown drill" means an activity in which students and faculty practice securing a school facility or rooms within the

- facility in case of an emergency in which hiding from a hostile danger is generally deemed safer than evacuating the building, such as in the case of a tornado or the presence of an armed person who is threatening the safety of the students or employees of a school.
- 1. The policies and procedures must require that emergency lockdown drills be conducted at least as often as emergency evacuation drills. This subparagraph does not require an increase in the total number of emergency drills conducted at a school each year.
- 2. Local law enforcement officers or fire officials are encouraged to participate in, and to review, at least one emergency lockdown drill at each school each year. After a drill, participating law enforcement officers or fire officials are encouraged to submit recommendations to the school on how it can improve its safety procedures in case of an emergency lockdown.
- 3. Each school shall designate the principal or a member of its staff as the person responsible for overseeing a school's emergency drills. Before an emergency drill is conducted, the designated staff member shall review the appropriate, most recent after-drill report required under subparagraph 4.
- 4. After a drill is completed, the designated staff member shall electronically submit to the school district an afterdrill report that details the specific drill that was conducted.

 Such report must include positive observations and recommendations for improvement offered by the school or participating law enforcement officers or fire officials, if

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- (b) The district school board shall Establish model emergency management and emergency preparedness procedures for the following life-threatening emergencies:
 - 1. Weapon-use and hostage situations.
 - 2. Hazardous materials or toxic chemical spills.
- 3. Weather emergencies, including hurricanes, tornadoes, and severe storms.
 - 4. Exposure as a result of a manmade emergency.
- (4) (5) EDUCATIONAL SERVICES IN DETENTION FACILITIES.—Offer educational services to minors who have not graduated from high school and eligible students with disabilities under the age of 22 who have not graduated with a standard diploma or its equivalent who are detained in a county or municipal detention facility, as defined in s. 951.23. These educational services must shall be based upon the estimated length of time the student will be in the facility and the student's current level of functioning. District school superintendents or their designees shall be notified by the county sheriff or chief correctional officer, or his or her designee, upon the assignment of a student under the age of 21 to the facility. A cooperative agreement with the district school board and applicable law enforcement units shall be developed to address the notification requirement and the provision of educational services to these students.
- (6) SAFETY AND SECURITY BEST PRACTICES.—Use the Safety and Security Best Practices developed by the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to conduct a self-

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assessment of the school districts' current safety and security practices. Based on these self-assessment findings, the district school superintendent shall provide recommendations to the district school board which identify strategies and activities that the district school board should implement in order to improve school safety and security. Annually Each district school board must annually receive the self-assessment results at a publicly noticed district school board meeting to provide the public an opportunity to hear the district school board members discuss and take action on the report findings. Each district school superintendent shall report the self-assessment results and school board action to the commissioner within 30 days after the district school board meeting.

Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.

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TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to district school boards; amending s. 1001.372, F.S.; specifying that district school board meeting agenda items may be proposed by the district school superintendent or a member of the school board; requiring district school boards to convene at least one regular meeting each quarter within a school year which begins no earlier than 5 p.m. and to create criteria for convening such a meeting; amending s. 1001.41, F.S.; requiring a district school board to

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exercise its general powers after considering
recommendations made by a school board member;
requiring a district school board to allow a public
school student whose parent has died to remain
enrolled in the school he or she was attending at the
time of the parent's death if requirements are met;
amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; providing additional
purposes for which an internal auditor may be
employed; amending s. 1006.07, F.S.; defining and
distinguishing emergency lockdown drills from
emergency evacuation drills; requiring that emergency
lockdown drills be conducted at least as often as
emergency evacuation drills; encouraging local law
enforcement officers or fire officials to participate
in and to review at least one emergency lockdown drill
at each school each year; requiring a designated staff
member to submit an after-drill report to the school
district after an emergency drill; providing
requirements for the after-drill report; providing an
effective date.