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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Common Core State Standards; requiring the standards adopted by the State Board of Education to be implemented and assessed in the public schools beginning in the 2016-2017 school year; requiring implementation and assessment of the standards to be phased in and aligned with current accountability measures; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. The Common Core State Standards adopted by the State Board of Education in rule shall be implemented and assessed in the state's public schools beginning in the 2016-2017 school year. Developed to ensure that students consistently receive a high-quality education and that teachers implement effective strategies by providing benchmarks for skills and knowledge that their students should attain, the Common Core State Standards shall be assessed for accountability purposes and shall affect the performance evaluation of students, instructional personnel, and school administrators.

Implementation and assessment of the Common Core State Standards shall be phased in and aligned with the implementation dates of the accountability measures currently provided in law.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.