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Appropriations Subcommittee on Education (Sachs) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment to Amendment (704248) (with directory and title amendments)

Between lines 34 and 35 insert:

- (a) A person or entity wishing to open a charter school shall prepare and submit an application on a model application form prepared by the Department of Education which:
- 1. Demonstrates how the school will use the guiding principles and meet the statutorily defined purpose of a charter

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- 2. Provides a detailed curriculum plan that illustrates how students will be provided services to attain the Sunshine State Standards.
- 3. Contains goals and objectives for improving student learning and measuring that improvement. These goals and objectives must indicate how much academic improvement students are expected to show each year, how success will be evaluated, and the specific results to be attained through instruction.
- 4. Describes the reading curriculum and differentiated strategies that will be used for students reading at grade level or higher and a separate curriculum and strategies for students who are reading below grade level. A sponsor shall deny a charter if the school does not propose a reading curriculum that is consistent with effective teaching strategies that are grounded in scientifically based reading research.
- 5. Contains an annual financial plan for each year requested by the charter for operation of the school for up to 5 years. This plan must contain anticipated fund balances based on revenue projections, a spending plan based on projected revenues and expenses, and a description of controls that will safeguard finances and projected enrollment trends.
- 6. Documents that the applicant has participated in the training required in subparagraph (f) 2. A sponsor may require an applicant to provide additional information as an addendum to the charter school application described in this paragraph.
- 7. For the establishment of a virtual charter school, documents that the applicant has contracted with a provider of virtual instruction services pursuant to s. 1002.45(1)(d).



40	8. Documents that the applicant has secured a \$250,000 line		
41	of credit, a surety bond, or a grant commitment from a		
42	charitable contribution before the charter school begins		
43	operation. For purposes of this subparagraph, charitable		
44	contribution has the same meaning as in s. 170(c) of the		
45	Internal Revenue Code of 1986 if such contribution consists of		
46	cash or a financial instrument as defined in s. 731(c)(2)(C) of		
47	the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.		
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49	===== DIRECTORY CLAUSE AMENDMENT =====		
50	And the directory clause is amended as follows:		
51	Delete line 16		
52	and insert:		
53	Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3), paragraphs (a),		
54	(b),		
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56	======== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =========		
57	And the title is amended as follows:		
58	Delete line 451		
59	and insert:		
60	school governing board; revising requirements for the		
61	process and review of charter school applications;		
62	conforming provisions		