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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE	ACTION
ADOPTED	(Y/N)
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Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Education Committee Representative Diaz, M. offered the following:

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Amendment (with directory and title amendments)
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Remove lines 950-1056 and insert:

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(2) A high-performing charter school is authorized to:
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(e) Receive a modification of its charter to a term of 15 years or a 15-year charter renewal. The charter may be modified or renewed for a shorter term at the option of the highperforming charter school. The charter must be consistent with s. <u>1002.33(7)(a)7.</u> 1002.33(7)(a)19. and (10)(h) and (i), is subject to annual review by the sponsor, and may be terminated during its term pursuant to s. 1002.33(8).

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15 A high-performing charter school shall notify its sponsor in 16 writing by March 1 if it intends to increase enrollment or 17 expand grade levels the following school year. The written

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18 notice shall specify the amount of the enrollment increase and 19 the grade levels that will be added, as applicable. If a charter 20 school notifies the sponsor of its intent to expand, the sponsor 21 shall modify the charter within 90 days to include the new 22 enrollment maximum and may not make any other changes. The 23 sponsor may deny a request to increase the enrollment of a high-24 performing charter school if the commissioner has declassified 25 the charter school as high-performing. If a high-performing 26 charter school requests to consolidate multiple charters, the 27 sponsor shall have 40 days after receipt of that request to 28 provide an initial draft charter to the charter school. The 29 sponsor and charter school shall have 50 days thereafter to 30 negotiate and notice the charter contract for final approval by 31 the sponsor.

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(3)

A high-performing charter school may not establish 33 (b) 34 more than one charter school within the state under paragraph 35 (a) in any year. A subsequent application to establish a charter 36 school under paragraph (a) may not be submitted unless each 37 charter school established in this manner achieves highperforming charter school status. The limits set forth in this 38 39 paragraph do not apply to charter schools established by a high-40 performing charter school in the attendance zone of a school 41 identified as in need of intervention and support pursuant to s. 42 1008.33(3)(b) or to meet capacity needs or needs for innovative 43 choice options identified by the district school board.

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44 (5)The Commissioner of Education, upon request by a 45 charter school, shall verify that the charter school meets the 46 criteria in subsection (1) and provide a letter to the charter 47 school and the sponsor stating that the charter school is a 48 high-performing charter school pursuant to this section. The 49 commissioner shall annually determine whether a high-performing charter school under subsection (1) continues to meet the 50 51 criteria in that subsection. Such high-performing charter school shall maintain its high-performing status unless the 52 53 commissioner determines that the charter school no longer meets the criteria in subsection (1), at which time the commissioner 54 55 shall send a letter to the charter school and its sponsor 56 providing notification that the charter school has been 57 declassified of its declassification as a high-performing 58 charter school. Section 3. Subsection (2) of section 1002.332, Florida 59 60 Statutes, is renumbered as subsection (3), and a new subsection (2) is added to that section to read: 61 1002.332 High-performing charter school system.-62 (2) An entity that successfully operates a system of 63 charter schools outside the state may apply to the State Board 64 65 of Education for status as a high-performing charter school 66 system. The state board shall adopt rules prescribing a process

67 for determining whether the entity meets the requirements of

68 this subsection by reviewing student demographic and performance

69 data and fiscal accountability of all schools operated by the

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70	entity. To the extent practicable, the state board shall develop
71	a rubric for the approval of such entities that aligns with the
72	priorities of the federal Charter Schools Program Grants for
73	Replication and Expansion of High-Quality Charter Schools, found
74	in the Federal Register, Volume 76, Number 133. An entity
75	classified as a high-performing charter school system pursuant
76	to this subsection may utilize the application process specified
77	in s. 1002.331(3) to establish new charter schools in the state.
78	During the first 3 years of operation, each charter school
79	established by the entity shall receive a reduction in
80	administrative fees pursuant to s. 1002.33(20)(a).
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86	DIRECTORY AMENDMENT
87	Remove lines 946-947 and insert:
88	Paragraph (e) of subsection (2), paragraph (b) of subsection
89	(3), and subsection (5) of s. 1002.331, Florida
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94	TITLE AMENDMENT
95	Remove lines 42-52 and insert:
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96 amending s. 1002.331, F.S.; correcting a cross-reference; 97 revising limits on high-performing charter school replication; 98 amending s. 1002.332, F.S.; authorizing certain out-of-state 99 entities to apply for designation as a high-performing charter 100 school system; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt 101 by rule eligibility criteria for such designation; specifying 102 that charter schools established by such an entity receive 103 certain benefits during the first 3 years of operation; amending 104 s. 1002.45, F.S.;

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