Senator Legg moved the following:

_Senate Amendment to Amendment (877970) (with title amendment)_

Before line 5
insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (f) of subsection (4) 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:

(4) ESTABLISHMENT, ORGANIZATION, AND OPERATION OF SCHOOLS.—
Adopt and provide for the execution of plans for the establishment, organization, and operation of the schools of the district, including, but not limited to, the following:

(f) Opening and closing of schools; fixing uniform date.—Adopt policies for the opening and closing of schools and fix uniform dates; however, beginning with the 2007-2008 school year, the opening date for schools in the district may not be earlier than August 10 or 14 days before Labor Day each year.

Section 2. Paragraph (k) of subsection (2) of section 1003.621, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (l), and a new paragraph (k) is added to that subsection to read:

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

(2) COMPLIANCE WITH STATUTES AND RULES.—Each academically high-performing school district shall comply with all of the provisions in chapters 1000-1013, and rules of the State Board of Education which implement these provisions, pertaining to the following:

(k) Section 1001.42(4)(f), relating to the uniform opening date of public schools.

And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 1591
and insert:

s. 1001.42, F.S.; revising a requirement for the uniform opening date of public schools; amending s. 1003.621, F.S.; requiring that academically high-performing school districts comply with provisions relating to the uniform opening date of public schools; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; revising provisions relating to