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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate Comm: RCS 01/20/2016 House

The Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 (Detert) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 73 and 74

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8 9 Section 4. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 1012.2315, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1012.2315 Assignment of teachers.-(2) ASSIGNMENT TO SCHOOLS GRADED "D" or "F".-(b)1. Beginning July 1, 2014, a school district may assign

10 an individual newly hired as instructional personnel to a school

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11 that has earned a grade of "F" in the previous year or any 12 combination of three consecutive grades of "D" or "F" in the previous 3 years pursuant to s. 1008.34 if the individual: 13

14 a. Has received an effective rating or highly effective 15 rating in the immediate prior year's performance evaluation 16 pursuant s. 1012.34;

17 b. Has successfully completed or is enrolled in a teacher preparation program pursuant to s. 1004.04, s. 1004.85, or s. 18 19 1012.56, or a teacher preparation program specified in State 20 Board of Education rule, is provided with high quality mentoring 21 during the first 2 years of employment, holds a certificate 22 issued pursuant to s. 1012.56, and holds a probationary contract 23 pursuant to s. 1012.335(2)(a); or

c. Holds a probationary contract pursuant to s. 1012.335(2)(a), holds a certificate issued pursuant to s. 1012.56, and has successful teaching experience, and if, in the judgment of the school principal, students would benefit from the placement of that individual.

29 2. As used in this paragraph, the term "mentoring" includes the use of student achievement data combined with at least 30 31 monthly observations to improve the educator's effectiveness in 32 improving student outcomes. Mentoring may be provided by a 33 school district, a teacher preparation program approved pursuant to s. 1004.04, s. 1004.85, or s. 1012.56, or a teacher 35 preparation program specified in State Board of Education rule.

3. The State Board of Education shall adopt rules under ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement this paragraph.

Each school district shall annually certify to the Commissioner 39

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40	of Education that the requirements in this subsection have been
41	met. If the commissioner determines that a school district is
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43	Education shall be notified and shall take action pursuant to s.
44	1008.32 in the next regularly scheduled meeting to require
45	compliance.
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48	And the title is amended as follows:
49	Between lines 11 and 12
50	insert:
51	amending s. 1012.2315, F.S.; eliminating certain State
52	Board of Education rulemaking authority related to
53	teacher assignment;

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