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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

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Senator Baxley moved the following:

1           **Senate Amendment to Substitute Amendment (692180) (with**  
2 **directory and title amendments)**

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4           Between lines 700 and 701  
5 insert:

6           (a)1. A sponsor shall provide certain administrative and  
7 educational services to charter schools. These services shall  
8 include contract management services; full-time equivalent and  
9 data reporting services; exceptional student education  
10 administration services; services related to eligibility and  
11 reporting duties required to ensure that school lunch services



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12 under the National School Lunch Program, consistent with the  
13 needs of the charter school, are provided by the school district  
14 at the request of the charter school, that any funds due to the  
15 charter school under the National School Lunch Program be paid  
16 to the charter school as soon as the charter school begins  
17 serving food under the National School Lunch Program, and that  
18 the charter school is paid at the same time and in the same  
19 manner under the National School Lunch Program as other public  
20 schools serviced by the sponsor or the school district; test  
21 administration services, including payment of the costs of  
22 state-required or district-required student assessments;  
23 processing of teacher certificate data services; and information  
24 services, including equal access to student information systems  
25 that are used by public schools in the district in which the  
26 charter school is located. Student performance data for each  
27 student in a charter school, including, but not limited to, FCAT  
28 scores, standardized test scores, previous public school student  
29 report cards, and student performance measures, shall be  
30 provided by the sponsor to a charter school in the same manner  
31 provided to other public schools in the district.

32 2. A sponsor may withhold an administrative fee for the  
33 provision of such services which shall be a percentage of the  
34 available funds defined in paragraph (17)(b) calculated based on  
35 weighted full-time equivalent students. If the charter school  
36 serves 75 percent or more exceptional education students as  
37 defined in s. 1003.01(3), the percentage shall be calculated  
38 based on unweighted full-time equivalent students. The  
39 administrative fee shall be calculated as follows:

40 a. Up to 5 percent for:



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41 (I) Enrollment of up to and including 250 students in a  
42 charter school as defined in this section.

43 (II) Enrollment of up to and including 500 students within  
44 a charter school system which meets all of the following:

45 (A) Includes conversion charter schools and nonconversion  
46 charter schools.

47 (B) Has all of its schools located in the same county.

48 (C) Has a total enrollment exceeding the total enrollment  
49 of at least one school district in the state.

50 (D) Has the same governing board for all of its schools.

51 (E) Does not contract with a for-profit service provider  
52 for management of school operations.

53 (III) Enrollment of up to and including 250 students in a  
54 virtual charter school.

55 b. Up to 2 percent for enrollment of up to and including  
56 250 students in a high-performing charter school as defined in  
57 s. 1002.331.

58 3. A sponsor may not charge charter schools any additional  
59 fees or surcharges for administrative and educational services  
60 in addition to the maximum percentage of administrative fees  
61 withheld pursuant to this paragraph.

62 4. A sponsor shall provide to the department by September  
63 15 of each year the total amount of funding withheld from  
64 charter schools pursuant to this subsection for the prior fiscal  
65 year. The department must include the information in the report  
66 required under sub-sub-subparagraph (5) (b) 1.k. (III).

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68 ===== D I R E C T O R Y C L A U S E A M E N D M E N T =====

69 And the directory clause is amended as follows:



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70           Delete line 229  
71 and insert:  
72 paragraph (n) of subsection (9), and paragraphs (a) and (b) of  
73 subsection

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75 ===== T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T =====

76 And the title is amended as follows:

77           Delete line 4373

78 and insert:  
79           process for resolving contractual disputes; requiring  
80           a sponsor to provide specified information to the  
81           department annually; requiring the department to  
82           include the information in a specified report;  
83           amending