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1	A bill to be entitled					
2	An act relating to school safety funding; amending s.					
3	1011.62, F.S.; specifying distribution requirements					
4	for certain safe schools allocation funds for the					
5	2019-2020 fiscal year; requiring each district school					
6	superintendent to remit specified unused funds from					
7	the 2018-2019 fiscal year to the Department of					
8	Education; authorizing the department to redistribute					
9	such funds to certain school districts for specific					
10	purposes; providing an effective date.					
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12	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:					
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14	Section 1. Subsection (15) of section 1011.62, Florida					
15	Statutes, is amended to read:					
16	1011.62 Funds for operation of schoolsIf the annual					
17	allocation from the Florida Education Finance Program to each					
18	district for operation of schools is not determined in the					
19	annual appropriations act or the substantive bill implementing					
20	the annual appropriations act, it shall be determined as					
21	follows:					
22	(15) SAFE SCHOOLS ALLOCATION.—A safe schools allocation is					
23	created to provide funding to assist school districts in their					
24	compliance with s. 1006.07, with priority given to implementing					
25	the district's school resource officer program pursuant to s.					
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26 1006.12. From the total appropriated to the safe schools 27 allocation, each school district shall receive a minimum safe 28 schools allocation as specified in an amount provided in the 29 General Appropriations Act. Of the remaining balance of the safe 30 schools allocation, two-thirds shall be allocated to school 31 districts based on the most recent official Florida Crime Index provided by the Department of Law Enforcement and one-third 32 33 shall be allocated based on each school district's proportionate 34 share of the state's total unweighted full-time equivalent 35 student enrollment. Any additional funds appropriated to this allocation in the 2019-2020 $\frac{2018-2019}{5}$ fiscal year for to the 36 37 school resource officer program established pursuant to s. 38 1006.12 shall be used exclusively for employing or contracting 39 for additional school resource officers and shall be distributed among all school districts, regardless of whether the school 40 41 district chooses to participate in the Coach Aaron Feis Guardian 42 Program. The funding shall be distributed to the school 43 districts based on each school district's proportionate share of 44 the state's total unweighted full-time equivalent student 45 enrollment, which shall be in addition to the number of officers 46 employed or contracted for in the 2017-2018 fiscal year. Section 2. Each district school superintendent shall remit 47 48 any funds from the 2018-2019 fiscal year which were appropriated 49 to the district for participation in the Coach Aaron Feis 50 Guardian Program established pursuant to s. 30.15(1)(k), Florida

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Statutes, and which remain unused as of July 1, 2019, to the					
Department of Education. The department may redistribute such					
funds to any school district that has not previously					
participated in the Coach Aaron Feis Guardian Program, upon					
request by that school district, for the purpose of implementing					
the safety and security best practices and threat assessment					
teams in accordance with s. 1006.07(6) and (7), Florida					
Statutes.					
Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.					

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