

Amendment No.

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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Representative Smith, C. offered the following:

Substitute Amendment for Amendment (377273) (with title amendment)

Remove lines 521-525 and insert:

Section 5. Subsection (7), paragraph (a) of subsection (11), and paragraph (a) of subsection (13) of section 1002.40, Florida Statutes are amended, and paragraph (i) is added to subsection (11) of that section, to read:

1002.40 The Hope Scholarship Program.—

(7) PRIVATE SCHOOL ELIGIBILITY AND OBLIGATIONS.—An eligible private school shall ~~may~~ be ~~sectarian~~ or nonsectarian and shall:

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14 (a) Comply with all requirements for private schools
15 participating in state school choice scholarship programs
16 pursuant to this section and s. 1002.421.

17 (b)1. Annually administer or make provision for students
18 participating in the program in grades 3 through 10 to take one
19 of the nationally norm-referenced tests identified by the
20 department or the statewide assessments pursuant to s. 1008.22.
21 Students with disabilities for whom standardized testing is not
22 appropriate are exempt from this requirement. A participating
23 private school shall report a student's scores to his or her
24 parent.

25 2. Administer the statewide assessments pursuant to s.
26 1008.22 if a private school chooses to offer the statewide
27 assessments. A participating private school may choose to offer
28 and administer the statewide assessments to all students who
29 attend the private school in grades 3 through 10 and must submit
30 a request in writing to the department by March 1 of each year
31 in order to administer the statewide assessments in the
32 subsequent school year.

33 (c) Have an anti-bullying policy. Such policy must be
34 available to the public on the school's website or be available
35 in writing upon request.
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37 If a private school fails to meet the requirements of this
38 subsection or s. 1002.421, the commissioner may determine that
39 the private school is ineligible to participate in the program.

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43 Remove line 39 and insert:
44 amending s. 1002.40, F.S.; revising private school
45 eligibility requirements for the Hope Scholarship
46 Program; revising the calculation of