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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

Senator Stewart moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 284 and 285

insert:

Section 3. Paragraph (n) of subsection (2) of section
1003.42, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1003.42 Required instruction.—

(2) Members of the instructional staff of the public
schools, subject to the rules of the State Board of Education
and the district school board, shall teach efficiently and
faithfully, using the books and materials required that meet the



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12 highest standards for professionalism and historical accuracy,
13 following the prescribed courses of study, and employing
14 approved methods of instruction, the following:

15 (n) Comprehensive health education that addresses concepts
16 of community health; consumer health; environmental health;
17 family life, including an awareness of the benefits of sexual
18 abstinence as the expected standard and the consequences of
19 teenage pregnancy; the full range of contraceptive methods
20 available to prevent teenage pregnancy; mental and emotional
21 health; injury prevention and safety; Internet safety;
22 nutrition; personal health; prevention and control of disease;
23 and substance use and abuse. The health education curriculum for
24 students in grades 7 through 12 shall include a teen dating
25 violence and abuse component that includes, but is not limited
26 to, the definition of dating violence and abuse, the warning
27 signs of dating violence and abusive behavior, the
28 characteristics of healthy relationships, measures to prevent
29 and stop dating violence and abuse, and community resources
30 available to victims of dating violence and abuse. The
31 Department of Health, in consultation with the department, shall
32 develop instructional materials regarding the full range of
33 contraceptive methods available to prevent teenage pregnancy,
34 including the efficacy of each method, which must be in easily
35 comprehensible language and include only medically accurate,
36 evidence-based information. School districts shall include the
37 instructional materials in their health education curriculum.

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39 The State Board of Education is encouraged to adopt standards
40 and pursue assessment of the requirements of this subsection. A



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41 character development program that incorporates the values of
42 the recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor and that is
43 offered as part of a social studies, English Language Arts, or
44 other schoolwide character building and veteran awareness
45 initiative meets the requirements of paragraphs (s) and (t).

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

48 And the title is amended as follows:

49 Delete line 18

50 and insert:

51 made by the act; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.; revising
52 the requirements for comprehensive health education
53 provided in public schools to include coverage of the
54 full range of contraceptive methods available to
55 prevent teenage pregnancy; requiring the Department of
56 Health, in consultation with the Department of
57 Education, to develop instructional materials;
58 providing requirements for the materials; requiring
59 school districts to include the materials in their
60 health education curriculum; amending s. 27.511, F.S.;
61 conforming