FOR CONSIDERATION By the Committee on Education

581-02304-20 20207040pb 1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to implementation of the 3 recommendations of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High 4 School Public Safety Commission; amending s. 30.15, 5 F.S.; authorizing a sheriff to contract for services 6 to provide training under the Coach Aaron Feis 7 Guardian Program; revising training and evaluation 8 requirements for school guardians; expanding the 9 program to include the training and certification of 10 school security guards; requiring the review and 11 approval of evaluations and results; amending s. 12 943.082, F.S.; adding penalties for persons who knowingly submit false information to a law 13 enforcement agency; amending s. 943.687, F.S.; 14 15 requiring the addition of three members to the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Commission 16 17 as of a certain date; requiring consideration of 18 balanced representation; amending s. 985.12, F.S.; 19 requiring certain state agencies and state attorneys 20 to cooperate in the oversight and enforcement of 21 school-based diversion programs; requiring that law 22 enforcement officers have access to a certain database; amending s. 1001.11, F.S.; specifying 23 24 legislative intent; assigning the Commissioner of 25 Education specified duties regarding education-related school safety requirements; amending s. 1001.212, 2.6 27 F.S.; revising the training, consultation, and 28 coordination responsibilities of the Office of Safe 29 Schools; conforming and requiring evaluation and

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30	coordination of incident reporting requirements;
31	requiring the office to maintain a directory of
32	programs; requiring the office to develop a model
33	plan; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; conforming safety
34	requirements to changes made by the act; amending s.
35	1003.5716, F.S.; revising individual education plan
36	requirements for certain students to include a
37	statement of expectations for the transition of
38	behavioral health services needed after high school
39	graduation; requiring parent, student, and agency
40	roles and responsibilities to be specified in a course
41	of action transition plan, as applicable; amending s.
42	1004.44, F.S.; requiring the Louis de la Parte Florida
43	Mental Health Institute to consult with specified
44	state agencies and convene a workgroup to advise those
45	agencies on the implementation of specified mental
46	health recommendations; requiring the institute to
47	submit a report with administrative and legislative
48	policy recommendations to the Governor and the
49	Legislature by a specified date; authorizing the
50	institute to submit additional reports and
51	recommendations as needed and requested; amending s.
52	1006.07, F.S.; requiring code of student conduct
53	policies to contain prearrest diversion program
54	criteria; specifying requirements applicable to
55	emergency drill policies and procedures, in accordance
56	with State Board of Education rules; requiring the
57	state board to adopt rules in consultation with state
58	and local entities; adding threat assessment team

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59	membership, training, and procedural requirements;
60	incorporating additional discipline and behavioral
61	incident reports within school safety incident
62	reporting requirements; requiring district school
63	boards to adopt school district emergency event family
64	reunification policies and plans; requiring school-
65	based emergency event family reunification plans to be
66	consistent with school board policy and the school
67	district plan; requiring plans to address specified
68	requirements within the framework of model policies
69	and plans identified by the office; amending s.
70	1006.09, F.S.; requiring school principals to use a
71	specified system to report school safety incidents;
72	amending s. 1006.12, F.S.; requiring school safety
73	officers to complete specified training to improve
74	knowledge and skills as first responders to certain
75	incidents; specifying county sheriffs' responsibility
76	for specified training required for school security
77	guards; requiring certain school security guards to
78	meet district background screening requirements and
79	qualification requirements; conforming notification
80	requirements to changes made by the act; amending s.
81	1006.13, F.S.; authorizing district school boards to
82	assign students to certain diversion programs as
83	options within zero-tolerance policies; amending s.
84	1006.1493, F.S.; revising components that must be
85	assessed by the Florida Safe Schools Assessment Tool
86	to include policies and procedures to prepare for and
87	respond to natural or man-made disasters or

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88	emergencies; amending s. 1011.62, F.S.; revising
89	requirements that must be met before the distribution
90	of the mental health assistance allocation; providing
91	effective dates.
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93	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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95	Section 1. Paragraph (k) of subsection (1) of section
96	30.15, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
97	30.15 Powers, duties, and obligations
98	(1) Sheriffs, in their respective counties, in person or by
99	deputy, shall:
100	(k) Assist district school boards and charter school
101	governing boards in complying with s. 1006.12. A sheriff must,
102	at a minimum, provide access to a Coach Aaron Feis Guardian
103	Program <u>training</u> to aid in the prevention or abatement of active
104	assailant incidents on school premises, as required under this
105	paragraph. Persons certified as Feis guardian program certified
106	school guardians or Feis guardian program certified school
107	<u>security guards</u> pursuant to this paragraph <u>do not</u> have no
108	authority to act in any law enforcement capacity except to the
109	extent necessary to prevent or abate an active assailant
110	incident.
111	1.a. If a local school board has voted by a majority to
112	implement a Feis guardian program, the sheriff in that county
113	shall establish a <u>Feis</u> guardian program to provide training,
114	pursuant to subparagraph 2., to school district or charter
115	school employees directly; through a contract with an entity
116	selected by the local sheriff, provided that the local sheriff

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117	oversees, supervises, and certifies all aspects of the contract
118	governing the Feis guardian program for the local jurisdiction;
119	, either directly or through a contract with another sheriff's
120	office that has established a <u>Feis</u> guardian program; or through
121	any combination thereof. To facilitate effective training and
122	emergency response in the event of an active assailant
123	situation, a sheriff who contracts with one or more county
124	sheriffs to provide Feis guardian program training and
125	certification for the local school district and charter schools
126	within its county jurisdiction shall notify, in writing, the
127	local district school superintendent and charter school
128	administrators of all county-specific protocols incorporated
129	into the contracted Feis guardian program training and
130	certification requirements.

131 b. A charter school governing board in a school district 132 that has not voted, or has declined, to implement a Feis 133 guardian program may request the sheriff in the county to 134 establish a Feis guardian program for the purpose of training 135 the charter school employees. If the county sheriff denies the 136 request, the charter school governing board may contract with a 137 sheriff that has established a Feis guardian program to provide 138 such training. The charter school governing board must notify, 139 in writing, the superintendent and the sheriff in the charter 140 school's county of the contract prior to its execution.

c. The sheriff conducting the <u>Feis guardian program</u>
training pursuant to subparagraph 2. <u>shall will</u> be reimbursed <u>by</u>
<u>the Department of Education</u> for screening-related and trainingrelated costs <u>for Feis guardian program certified school</u>
<u>guardians and Feis guardian program certified school security</u>

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 160 to district or school employees serving as Feis guardian program
 161 certified school guardians pursuant to s. 1006.12(3); or hold a
 162 valid Class "D" and Class "G" license issued under chapter 493,
 163 applicable to individuals contracted to serve as Feis guardian
 164 program certified school security guards under s. 1006.12(4).

b. Complete a 144-hour training program, consisting of 12
hours of certified nationally recognized diversity training and
132 total hours of comprehensive firearm safety and proficiency
training, conducted by Criminal Justice Standards and Training
Commission-certified instructors who hold active instructional
certifications, which must include:

(I) Eighty hours of firearms instruction based on the
Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission's Law
Enforcement Academy training model, which must include at least
10 percent but no more than 20 percent more rounds fired than

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204	annual basis, as required by the sheriff's office.
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206	The sheriff who conducts the Feis guardian program training
207	<u>pursuant to this paragraph</u> shall issue a <u>Feis</u> school guardian
208	program certificate to individuals who meet the requirements of
209	this section to the satisfaction of the sheriff, and shall
210	maintain documentation of weapon and equipment inspections, as
211	well as the training, certification, inspection, and
212	qualification records of each Feis guardian program certified
213	school guardian and Feis guardian program certified school
214	security guard certified by the sheriff. An individual who is
215	certified under this paragraph may serve as a Feis guardian
216	program certified school guardian under s. 1006.12(3) or a Feis
217	guardian program certified school security guard under s.
218	1006.12(4) only if he or she is appointed by the applicable
219	district school superintendent school district superintendent or
220	charter school <u>administrator</u> principal .
221	Section 2. Effective October 1, 2020, paragraph (c) is
222	added to subsection (2) of section 943.082, Florida Statutes, to
223	read:
224	943.082 School Safety Awareness Program.—
225	(2) The reporting tool must notify the reporting party of
226	the following information:
227	(c) That, if following investigation, it is determined that
228	a person knowingly submitted a false tip through FortifyFL, the
229	IP address of the device on which the tip was submitted will be
230	provided to law enforcement agencies for further investigation
231	and the reporting party may be subject to criminal penalties
232	under s. 837.05. In all other circumstances, unless the

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581-02304-20 20207040pb reporting party has chosen to disclose his or her identity, the 233 234 report must remain anonymous. Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 235 236 943.687, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 237 943.687 Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety 238 Commission.-239 (2) (a)1. The commission shall convene no later than June 1, 2018, and shall be composed of 16 members. Five members shall be 240 appointed by the President of the Senate, five members shall be 241 242 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and 243 five members shall be appointed by the Governor. From the 244 members of the commission, the Governor shall appoint the chair. 245 Appointments must be made by April 30, 2018. The Commissioner of 246 the Department of Law Enforcement shall serve as a member of the 247 commission. The Secretary of Children and Families, the 248 Secretary of Juvenile Justice, the Secretary of Health Care 249 Administration, and the Commissioner of Education shall serve as 250 ex officio, nonvoting members of the commission. Members shall 251 serve at the pleasure of the officer who appointed the member. A 252 vacancy on the commission shall be filled in the same manner as 253 the original appointment. 254 2. In addition to the membership requirements of 255 subparagraph 1., beginning June 1, 2020, the commission shall 256 include three additional members selected from among the state's 257 actively serving district school superintendents, school 258 principals, and classroom teachers. The additional members must 259 be appointed by May 30, 2020, one each by the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of 260 Representatives. Thereafter, to the extent possible, future 261

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262	appointments to fill vacancies or replace members of the
263	commission must give consideration to achieving an equal balance
264	of school district, law enforcement, and health care
265	professional representation which reflects the cultural
266	diversity of the state.
267	Section 4. Paragraphs (c) and (f) of subsection (2) of
268	section 985.12, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
269	985.12 Civil citation or similar prearrest diversion
270	programs
271	(2) JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CIVIL CITATION OR SIMILAR PREARREST
272	DIVERSION PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, AND OPERATION
273	(c) The state attorney of each circuit shall operate a
274	civil citation or similar prearrest diversion program in each
275	circuit. A sheriff, police department, county, municipality,
276	locally authorized entity, or public or private educational
277	institution may continue to operate an independent civil
278	citation or similar prearrest diversion program that is in
279	operation as of October 1, 2018, if the independent program is
280	reviewed by the state attorney of the applicable circuit and he
281	or she determines that the independent program is substantially
282	similar to the civil citation or similar prearrest diversion
283	program developed by the circuit. If the state attorney
284	determines that the independent program is not substantially
285	similar to the civil citation or similar prearrest diversion
286	program developed by the circuit, the operator of the
287	independent diversion program may revise the program and the
288	state attorney may conduct an additional review of the
289	independent program. In cooperation with the Department of
290	Education pursuant to s. 1001.212, the department and the state

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291	attorney of each judicial circuit shall monitor and enforce
292	compliance with school-based diversion program requirements.
293	(f) Each civil citation or similar prearrest diversion
294	program shall enter the appropriate youth data into the Juvenile
295	Justice Information System Prevention Web within 7 days after
296	the admission of the youth into the program. Beginning in fiscal
297	year 2021-2022, law enforcement officers must have field access
298	to the Juvenile Justice Information System Prevention Web.
299	Section 5. Subsection (9) of section 1001.11, Florida
300	Statutes, is amended to read:
301	1001.11 Commissioner of Education; other duties
302	(9) With the intent of ensuring safe learning and teaching
303	environments, the commissioner shall oversee compliance with
304	education-related health, the safety, welfare, and security
305	requirements of <u>law</u> the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School
306	Public Safety Act, chapter 2018-3, Laws of Florida, by school
307	districts; district school superintendents; and public schools,
308	including charter schools; and other entities or constituencies
309	<u>as may be applicable</u> . The commissioner <u>shall</u> must facilitate
310	public and nonpublic school compliance to the maximum extent
311	provided under law, identify incidents of material
312	noncompliance, and impose or recommend to the State Board of
313	Education, the Governor, or the Legislature enforcement and
314	sanctioning actions pursuant to <u>s. 1001.42, s. 1001.51, chapter</u>
315	1002, and s. 1008.32, and other authority granted under law. For
316	purposes of this subsection, s. 1001.42(13)(b), and s.
317	1001.51(12)(b), the duties assigned to a district school
318	superintendent apply to charter school administrative personnel
319	as defined in s. 1012.01(3), and charter school governing boards

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320	shall designate at least one administrator to be responsible for
321	such duties. The duties assigned to a district school board
322	apply to a charter school governing board.
323	Section 6. Present subsections (14) and (15) of section
324	1001.212, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (16)
325	and (17), respectively, new subsections (14) and (15) are added
326	to that section, and subsections (2), (4), (6), (7), and (8) of
327	that section are amended, to read:
328	1001.212 Office of Safe SchoolsThere is created in the
329	Department of Education the Office of Safe Schools. The office
330	is fully accountable to the Commissioner of Education. The
331	office shall serve as a central repository for best practices,
332	training standards, and compliance oversight in all matters
333	regarding school safety and security, including prevention
334	efforts, intervention efforts, and emergency preparedness
335	planning. The office shall:
336	(2) Provide ongoing professional development opportunities
337	to school district and charter school personnel.
338	(4) Develop and implement a School Safety Specialist
339	Training Program for school safety specialists appointed
340	pursuant to s. 1006.07(6). The office shall develop the training
341	<code>program_</code> which shall be based on national and state best
342	practices on school safety and security and must include active
343	shooter training. Training must also include information about
344	federal and state laws regarding education records, medical
345	records, data privacy, and incident reporting requirements,
346	particularly with respect to behavioral threat assessment and
347	emergency planning and response procedures. The office shall
348	develop training modules in traditional or online formats. A

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349	school safety specialist certificate of completion shall be
350	awarded to a school safety specialist who satisfactorily
351	completes the training required by rules of the office.
352	(6) Coordinate with the Department of Law Enforcement to
353	provide a centralized integrated data repository, known as the
354	Florida Schools Safety Portal, and data analytics resources to
355	improve access to timely, complete, and accurate information
356	integrating data from, at a minimum, but not limited to, the
357	following data sources by August 1, 2019:
358	(a) Social media Internet posts;
359	(b) Department of Children and Families;
360	(c) Department of Law Enforcement;
361	(d) Department of Juvenile Justice;
362	(e) Mobile suspicious activity reporting tool known as
363	FortifyFL;
364	(f) School environmental safety incident reports collected
365	under subsection (8); and
366	(g) Local law enforcement.
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368	Data that is exempt or confidential and exempt from public
369	records requirements retains its exempt or confidential and
370	exempt status when incorporated into the centralized integrated
371	data repository. To maintain the confidentiality requirements
372	attached to the information provided to the centralized
373	integrated data repository by the various state and local
374	agencies, data governance and security shall ensure compliance
375	with all applicable state and federal data privacy requirements
376	through the use of user authorization and role-based security,
377	data anonymization and aggregation and auditing capabilities. To

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378	maintain the confidentiality requirements attached to the
379	information provided to the centralized integrated data
380	repository by the various state and local agencies, each source
381	agency providing data to the repository shall be the sole
382	custodian of the data for the purpose of any request for
383	inspection or copies thereof under chapter 119. The department
384	shall only allow access to data from the source agencies in
385	accordance with rules adopted by the respective source agencies
386	and the requirements of the Federal Bureau of Investigation
387	Criminal Justice Information Services security policy, where
388	applicable.
389	(7) Provide data to support the evaluation of mental health
390	services pursuant to s. 1004.44.
391	(8) Oversee, facilitate, and coordinate district and school
392	compliance with school safety incident reporting requirements in
393	accordance with rules adopted by the state board enacting the
394	school safety incident reporting requirements of this
395	subsection, s. 1006.07(9), and other statutory safety incident
396	reporting requirements. The office shall:
397	(a) Provide technical assistance to school districts and
398	charter school governing boards and administrators for school
399	environmental safety incident reporting as required under s.
400	1006.07(9).
401	(b) The office shall Collect data through school
402	environmental safety incident reports on incidents involving any
403	person which occur on school premises, on school transportation,
404	and at off-campus, school-sponsored events.

405(c) Review and evaluate safety incident reports of each406office shall review and evaluate406school district and charter

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school and other entities, as may be required by law, reports to
ensure compliance with reporting requirements. The office shall
timely notify the commissioner of all incidents of material
noncompliance for purposes of invoking the commissioner's
responsibilities provided under s. 1001.11(9). Upon notification
by the <u>commissioner</u> department that a superintendent <u>or charter</u>
school administrator has, based on clear and convincing
evidence, failed to comply with the requirements of s.
1006.07(9), the district school board <u>or charter school</u>
governing board, as applicable, shall withhold further payment
of his or her salary as authorized under s. 1001.42(13)(b) and
impose other appropriate sanctions that the commissioner or
state board by law may impose, pending demonstration of full
compliance.
(14) Maintain a current directory of public and private
school-based diversion programs and cooperate with each judicial
circuit and the Department of Juvenile Justice to facilitate
their efforts to monitor and enforce each governing body's
compliance with s. 985.12.
(15) Develop, in coordination with the Division of
Emergency Management, other federal, state, and local law
enforcement agencies, fire and rescue agencies, and first
responder agencies, a model emergency event family reunification
plan for use by child care facilities, public K-12 schools, and
public postsecondary institutions that are closed or
unexpectedly evacuated due to natural or manmade disasters or
emergencies.
Section 7. Paragraph (b) of subsection (16) of section
1002.33, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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436	1002.33 Charter schools
437	(16) EXEMPTION FROM STATUTES.—
438	(b) Additionally, a charter school shall <u>demonstrate and</u>
439	certify in its contract, and if necessary through addendum to
440	its contract, the charter school's be in compliance with the
441	following statutes:
442	1. Section 286.011, relating to public meetings and
443	records, public inspection, and criminal and civil penalties.
444	2. Chapter 119, relating to public records.
445	3. Section 1003.03, relating to the maximum class size,
446	except that the calculation for compliance pursuant to s.
447	1003.03 shall be the average at the school level.
448	4. Section 1012.22(1)(c), relating to compensation and
449	salary schedules.
450	5. Section 1012.33(5), relating to workforce reductions.
451	6. Section 1012.335, relating to contracts with
452	instructional personnel hired on or after July 1, 2011.
453	7. Section 1012.34, relating to the substantive
454	requirements for performance evaluations for instructional
455	personnel and school administrators.
456	8. Section 1006.12, relating to safe-school officers.
457	9. Section 1006.07(7), relating to threat assessment teams.
458	10. Section 1006.07(9), relating to school Environmental
459	safety incident reporting.
460	11. Section 1006.1493, relating to the Florida Safe Schools
461	Assessment Tool.
462	12. Section 1006.07(6)(c), relating to adopting an active
463	assailant response plan.
464	13. Section 943.082(4)(b), relating to the mobile

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581-02304-20 20207040pb 465 suspicious activity reporting tool. 466 14. Section 1012.584, relating to youth mental health 467 awareness and assistance training. 468 15. Section 1006.07(4), relating to emergency drills and 469 emergency procedures. 470 Section 8. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (2) of 471 section 1003.5716, Florida Statutes, to read: 472 1003.5716 Transition to postsecondary education and career 473 opportunities.-All students with disabilities who are 3 years of 474 age to 21 years of age have the right to a free, appropriate 475 public education. As used in this section, the term "IEP" means 476 individual education plan. (2) Beginning not later than the first IEP to be in effect 477 478 when the student attains the age of 16, or younger if determined 479 appropriate by the parent and the IEP team, the IEP must include 480 the following statements that must be updated annually: 481 (d) A statement of post-high school performance 482 expectations which includes a proposed transition plan that 483 facilitates continuity of care and coordination of any 484 behavioral health services needed to assist the student in 485 reaching those expectations. The statement must also specify 486 parent, student, and agency roles and responsibilities 487 pertaining to the provision and funding of specified transition 488 services, as applicable. 489 Section 9. Subsection (5) is added to section 1004.44, 490 Florida Statutes, to read:

491 1004.44 Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute.492 There is established the Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health
493 Institute within the University of South Florida.

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494	- (5) In consultation with the Department of Children and
495	Families, the Department of Juvenile Justice, and the Department
496	of Education, the institute shall convene a workgroup of
497	practitioners and experts to review, evaluate, and provide
498	implementation guidance on the mental health-related findings
499	and recommendations of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School
500	Public Safety Commission, as approved in reports submitted
501	pursuant to s. 943.687. The workgroup shall analyze, evaluate,
502	and identify regulatory or legislative actions necessary to
503	facilitate implementation of each recommendation. By August 1,
504	2020, the institute shall submit to the Governor, the President
505	of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives
506	an initial summary report of activities, specific policy and
507	budget recommendations, including draft legislation and
508	associated fiscal impact statements, and other information and
509	policy or administrative recommendations to improve the state's
510	mental health system of care. The institute must continue to
511	monitor commission activities and coordinate with agency
512	partners to advise them on implementation activities, and may
513	submit subsequent reports and recommendations on an annual basis
514	or as requested. This subsection shall expire July 1, 2024.
515	Section 10. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4), paragraph (a)
516	of subsection (6), paragraph (a) of subsection (7), and
517	subsection (9) of section 1006.07, Florida Statutes, are
518	amended, and paragraph (n) of subsection (2), paragraph (d) of
519	subsection (4), and subsection (10) are added to that section,
520	to read:
521	1006.07 District school board duties relating to student
522	discipline and school safetyThe district school board shall

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581-02304-20 20207040pb 523 provide for the proper accounting for all students, for the 524 attendance and control of students at school, and for proper attention to health, safety, and other matters relating to the 525 526 welfare of students, including: 527 (2) CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT.-Adopt a code of student 528 conduct for elementary schools and a code of student conduct for 529 middle and high schools and distribute the appropriate code to all teachers, school personnel, students, and parents, at the 530 beginning of every school year. Each code shall be organized and 531 532 written in language that is understandable to students and 533 parents and shall be discussed at the beginning of every school 534 year in student classes, school advisory council meetings, and 535 parent and teacher association or organization meetings. Each 536 code shall be based on the rules governing student conduct and 537 discipline adopted by the district school board and shall be 538 made available in the student handbook or similar publication. 539 Each code shall include, but is not limited to: 540 (n) Criteria for assigning a student to a civil citation or

540 (n) Criteria for assigning a student to a civil citation or 541 <u>similar prearrest diversion program that is an alternative to</u> 542 <u>expulsion or referral to law enforcement agencies. All civil</u> 543 <u>citation or similar prearrest diversion programs must comply</u> 544 <u>with s. 985.12.</u>

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(4) EMERGENCY DRILLS; EMERGENCY PROCEDURES.-

(a) Formulate and prescribe policies and procedures, in
consultation with the appropriate public safety agencies, for
emergency drills and for actual emergencies, including, but not
limited to, fires, natural disasters, active shooter and hostage
situations, and bomb threats, for all students and faculty at
all public schools of the district <u>composed</u> comprised of grades

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552	K-12, pursuant to state board rule. Drills for active shooter
553	and hostage situations shall be conducted in accordance with
554	developmentally appropriate and age-appropriate procedures, as
555	specified in state board rules at least as often as other
556	emergency drills. Law enforcement officers responsible for
557	responding to the school in the event of an active assailant
558	emergency, as determined necessary by the sheriff in
559	coordination with the district's school safety specialist, must
560	be physically present on campus and directly involved in the
561	execution of active assailant emergency drills. District school
562	board policies shall include commonly used alarm system
563	responses for specific types of emergencies and verification by
564	each school that drills have been provided as required by law,
565	state board rule, and fire protection codes. The emergency
566	response policy shall identify the individuals responsible for
567	contacting the primary emergency response agency and the
568	emergency response agency that is responsible for notifying the
569	school district for each type of emergency. <u>The state board</u>
570	shall refer to recommendations provided in reports published
571	pursuant to s. 943.687 for guidance and, by August 1, 2020,
572	consult with state and local constituencies to adopt rules
573	applicable to the requirements of this subsection which, at a
574	minimum, define "emergency drill," "active threat," and "after-
575	action report," and must establish minimum emergency drill
576	policies and procedures related to the timing, frequency,
577	participation, training, notification, accommodations, and
578	responses to threat situations by incident type, school level,
579	school type, and student and school characteristics. Such rules
580	must require all types of emergency drills to be conducted no

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581-02304-20 20207040pb less frequently than on an annual school year basis. 581 582 (d) Consistent with subsection (10), as a component of emergency procedures, each district school board and charter 583 584 school governing board must adopt, in coordination with local 585 law enforcement agencies, an emergency event family 586 reunification plan to reunite students and employees with their 587 families in the event of a mass casualty or other emergency 588 event situation.

(6) SAFETY AND SECURITY BEST PRACTICES.—Each district school superintendent shall establish policies and procedures for the prevention of violence on school grounds, including the assessment of and intervention with individuals whose behavior poses a threat to the safety of the school community.

594 (a) Each district school superintendent shall designate a 595 school safety specialist for the district. The school safety 596 specialist must be a school administrator employed by the school 597 district or a law enforcement officer employed by the sheriff's 598 office located in the school district. Any school safety 599 specialist designated from the sheriff's office must first be 600 authorized and approved by the sheriff employing the law 601 enforcement officer. Any school safety specialist designated 602 from the sheriff's office remains the employee of the office for 603 purposes of compensation, insurance, workers' compensation, and 604 other benefits authorized by law for a law enforcement officer 605 employed by the sheriff's office. The sheriff and the school 606 superintendent may determine by agreement the reimbursement for 607 such costs, or may share the costs, associated with employment 608 of the law enforcement officer as a school safety specialist. 609 The school safety specialist must earn a certificate of

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581-02304-20 20207040pb 610 completion of the school safety specialist training provided by 611 the Office of Safe Schools within 1 year after appointment and 612 is responsible for the supervision and oversight for all school safety and security personnel, policies, and procedures in the 613 614 school district. The school safety specialist shall: 615 1. Review school district policies and procedures for 616 compliance with state law and rules, including the district's 617 timely and accurate submission of school environmental safety incident reports to the department pursuant to s. 1001.212(8). 618 2. Provide the necessary training and resources to students 619 620 and school district staff in matters relating to youth mental 621 health awareness and assistance; emergency procedures, including 622 active shooter training; and school safety and security. 623 3. Serve as the school district liaison with local public 624 safety agencies and national, state, and community agencies and 625 organizations in matters of school safety and security. 626 4. In collaboration with the appropriate public safety 627 agencies, as that term is defined in s. 365.171, by October 1 of 628 each year, conduct a school security risk assessment at each 629 public school using the Florida Safe Schools Assessment Tool 630 developed by the Office of Safe Schools pursuant to s. 631 1006.1493. Based on the assessment findings, the district's 632 school safety specialist shall provide recommendations to the 633 district school superintendent and the district school board 634 which identify strategies and activities that the district 635 school board should implement in order to address the findings 636 and improve school safety and security. Each district school 637 board must receive such findings and the school safety specialist's recommendations at a publicly noticed district 638

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581-02304-20 20207040pb 639 school board meeting to provide the public an opportunity to 640 hear the district school board members discuss and take action on the findings and recommendations. Each school safety 641 642 specialist shall report such findings and school board action to 643 the Office of Safe Schools within 30 days after the district 644 school board meeting. 645 (7) THREAT ASSESSMENT TEAMS.-Each district school board 646 shall adopt policies for the establishment of threat assessment 647 teams at each school whose duties include the coordination of resources and assessment and intervention with individuals whose 648 649 behavior may pose a threat to the safety of school staff or 650 students consistent with the model policies developed by the 651 Office of Safe Schools. Such policies must include procedures 652 for referrals to mental health services identified by the school 653 district pursuant to s. 1012.584(4), when appropriate, and 654 procedures for behavioral threat assessments in compliance with 655 the instrument developed pursuant to s. 1001.212(12). 656 (a) A threat assessment team shall include a sworn law 657 enforcement officer who has undergone threat assessment training 658 identified by the Office of Safe Schools pursuant to s. 659 1001.212, and persons with expertise in counseling, instruction, 660 and school administration, and law enforcement. All required members of the threat assessment team must be involved in the 661 662 threat assessment process, from start to finish, including the 663 determination of the final disposition decision. The threat 664 assessment teams shall identify members of the school community 665 to whom threatening behavior should be reported and provide guidance to students, faculty, and staff regarding recognition 666

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of threatening or aberrant behavior that may represent a threat

581-02304-20 20207040pb 668 to the community, school, or self. Upon the availability of the 669 behavioral threat assessment instrument developed pursuant to s. 670 1001.212(12), the threat assessment team shall use that 671 instrument. 672 (9) SCHOOL ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY INCIDENT REPORTING.-Each 673 district school board shall adopt policies to ensure the 674 accurate and timely reporting of incidents related to school 675 safety and discipline. For purposes of s. 1001.212(8) and this 676 subsection, incidents related to school safety and discipline 677 include incidents reported pursuant to ss. 1006.09, 1006.13, 678 1006.135, 1006.147, and 1006.148. The district school 679 superintendent is responsible for school environmental safety 680 incident reporting. A district school superintendent who fails 681 to comply with this subsection is subject to the penalties 682 specified in law, including, but not limited to, s. 683 1001.42(13)(b) or s. 1001.51(12)(b), as applicable. The State 684 Board of Education shall adopt rules establishing the 685 requirements for the school environmental safety incident 686 reporting report. 687 (10) EMERGENCY EVENT FAMILY REUNIFICATION POLICIES AND 688 PLANS.-By August 1, 2021, each district school board shall adopt 689 a school district emergency event family reunification policy 690 establishing elements and requirements for a school district 691 emergency event family reunification plan and individual school-692 based emergency event family reunification plans for the purpose 693 of reuniting students and employees with their families in the 694

694 event of a mass casualty or other emergency event situation.
695 (a) School district policies and plans must be coordinated
696 with the county sheriff and local law enforcement. School-based

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697	plans must be consistent with school board policy and the school
698	district plan. The school board is encouraged to apply model
699	mass casualty death notification and reunification policies and
700	practices referenced in reports published pursuant to s. 943.687
701	and as developed by the Office of Safe Schools.
702	(b) Minimally, plans must identify potential reunification
703	sites and ensure a unified command at each site, identify
704	equipment needs, provide multiple methods of communication with
705	family members of students and staff, address training for
706	employees, and provide multiple methods to aid law enforcement
707	in identification of students and staff, including written
708	backup documents.
709	Section 11. Subsection (6) of section 1006.09, Florida
710	Statutes, is amended to read:
711	1006.09 Duties of school principal relating to student
712	discipline and school safety
713	(6) Each school principal must ensure that standardized
714	forms prescribed by rule of the State Board of Education are
715	used to report data concerning school safety and discipline to
716	the department through the School Environmental Safety Incident
717	Reporting (SESIR) System. The school principal must develop a
718	plan to verify the accuracy of reported incidents.
719	Section 12. Section 1006.12, Florida Statutes, is amended
720	to read:
721	1006.12 Safe-school officers at each public schoolFor the
722	protection and safety of school personnel, property, students,
723	and visitors, each district school board and <u>district school</u>
724	superintendent school district superintendent shall partner with
725	law enforcement agencies or security agencies to establish or

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581-02304-20 20207040pb 726 assign one or more safe-school officers at each school facility 727 within the district, including charter schools. A district 728 school board must collaborate with charter school governing 729 boards to facilitate charter school access to all safe-school 730 officer options available under this section. The school 731 district may implement one or more any combination of the 732 options specified in subsections (1)-(4) to best meet the needs 733 of the school district and charter schools. (1) SWORN LAW ENFORCEMENT SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER.-A school 734 735 district may establish school resource officer programs through 736 a cooperative agreement with law enforcement agencies. 737 (a) Sworn law enforcement school resource officers shall 738 undergo criminal background checks, drug testing, and a 739 psychological evaluation and be certified law enforcement 740 officers, as defined in s. 943.10(1), who are employed by a law 741 enforcement agency as defined in s. 943.10(4). The powers and 742 duties of a law enforcement officer shall continue throughout 743 the employee's tenure as a sworn law enforcement school resource 744 officer. 745 (b) Sworn law enforcement school resource officers shall 746 abide by district school board policies and shall consult with 747 and coordinate activities through the school principal, but 748 shall be responsible to the law enforcement agency in all matters relating to employment, subject to agreements between a 749 750 district school board and a law enforcement agency. Activities 751 conducted by the sworn law enforcement school resource officer 752 which are part of the regular instructional program of the 753 school shall be under the direction of the school principal. 754 (c) Sworn law enforcement school resource officers shall

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581-02304-20 20207040pb 755 complete mental health crisis intervention training using a 756 curriculum developed by a national organization with expertise in mental health crisis intervention. The training shall improve 757 758 officers' knowledge and skills as first responders to incidents 759 involving students with emotional disturbance or mental illness, 760 including de-escalation skills to ensure student and officer 761 safety. 762 (2) SWORN LAW ENFORCEMENT SCHOOL SAFETY OFFICER.-A school 763 district may commission one or more sworn law enforcement school 764 safety officers for the protection and safety of school 765 personnel, property, and students within the school district. 766 The district school superintendent may recommend, and the 767 district school board may appoint, one or more sworn law 768 enforcement school safety officers. (a) Sworn law enforcement school safety officers shall 769 770 undergo criminal background checks, drug testing, and a 771 psychological evaluation and be law enforcement officers, as 772 defined in s. 943.10(1), certified under the provisions of 773 chapter 943 and employed by either a law enforcement agency or 774 by the district school board. If the officer is employed by the 775 district school board, the district school board is the 776 employing agency for purposes of chapter 943, and must comply 777 with the provisions of that chapter. 778 (b) A sworn law enforcement school safety officer has and

779 shall exercise the power to make arrests for violations of law 780 on district school board property <u>or on property owned or leased</u> 781 <u>by a charter school under the charter contract, as applicable,</u> 782 and to arrest persons, whether on or off such property, who 783 violate any law on such property under the same conditions that

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581-02304-20 20207040pb 784 deputy sheriffs are authorized to make arrests. A sworn law 785 enforcement school safety officer has the authority to carry 786 weapons when performing his or her official duties. 787 (c) A district school board may enter into mutual aid 788 agreements with one or more law enforcement agencies as provided 789 in chapter 23. A sworn law enforcement school safety officer's 790 salary may be paid jointly by the district school board and the 791 law enforcement agency, as mutually agreed to. 792 (d) Sworn law enforcement school safety officers shall 793 complete mental health crisis intervention training using a 794 curriculum developed by a national organization with expertise 795 in mental health crisis intervention. The training must improve officers' knowledge and skills as first responders to incidents 796 797 involving students with emotional disturbance or mental illness, 798 including de-escalation skills to ensure student and officer 799 safety. 800 (3) FEIS GUARDIAN PROGRAM CERTIFIED SCHOOL GUARDIAN.-At the 801 school district's or the charter school governing board's 802 discretion, as applicable, pursuant to s. 30.15, a school 803 district or charter school governing board may participate in

the Coach Aaron Feis Guardian Program to meet the requirement of establishing a safe-school officer. The following individuals may serve as a <u>Feis guardian program certified</u> school guardian, in support of school-sanctioned activities for purposes of s. 790.115, upon satisfactory completion of the requirements under s. 30.15(1)(k) and certification by a sheriff:

(a) A school district employee or personnel, as defined
under s. 1012.01, or a charter school employee, as provided
under s. 1002.33(12) (a), who volunteers to serve as a <u>Feis</u>

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581-02304-20 20207040pb 813 quardian program certified school guardian in addition to his or 814 her official job duties; or 815 (b) An employee of a school district or a charter school who is hired for the specific purpose of serving as a Feis 816 guardian program certified school guardian. 817 818 (4) FEIS GUARDIAN PROGRAM CERTIFIED SCHOOL SECURITY GUARD.-819 A school district or charter school governing board may contract with a security agency as defined in s. 493.6101(18) to employ 820 as a Feis guardian program certified school security guard an 821 822 individual who holds a Class "D" and Class "G" license pursuant 823 to chapter 493, provided the following training and contractual 824 conditions are met: 825 (a) An individual who serves as a Feis guardian program 826 certified school security quard, for purposes of satisfying the 827 requirements of this section, must: 828 1. Demonstrate satisfactory completion of 144 hours of all 829 training program requirements of the Coach Aaron Feis Guardian 830 Program, as provided and certified by a county sheriff, required 831 training pursuant to s. 30.15(1)(k)2. 832 2. Submit to and pass a psychological evaluation 833 administered by a licensed professional psychologist licensed 834 under chapter 490 and designated by the Department of Law 835 Enforcement and submit the results of the evaluation to the sheriff's office, school district, or charter school governing 836 837 board, as applicable. The sheriff's office must review and 838 approve the results of each applicant's psychological evaluation 839 before accepting the applicant into the Feis guardian program. 840 The Department of Law Enforcement is authorized to provide the 841 sheriff's office, school district, or charter school governing

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581-02304-20 20207040pb 842 board with mental health and substance abuse data for compliance 843 with this paragraph. 844 3. Submit to and pass an initial drug test and subsequent 845 random drug tests in accordance with the requirements of s. 846 112.0455 and the sheriff's office, school district, or charter 847 school governing board, as applicable. The sheriff's office must 848 review and approve the results of each applicant's drug tests 849 before accepting the applicant into the Feis guardian program. 850 4. Successfully complete ongoing training, weapon 851 inspection, and firearm qualification on at least an annual 852 basis, as required by the sheriff's office and provide 853 documentation to the sheriff's office, school district, or 854 charter school governing board, as applicable. 855 (b) The contract between a security agency and a school 856 district or a charter school governing board regarding 857 requirements applicable to Feis guardian program certified 858 school security guards serving in the capacity of a safe-school 859 officer for purposes of satisfying the requirements of this 860 section shall define the county sheriff or sheriffs entity or 861 entities responsible for Feis guardian program training and the

862 responsibilities for maintaining records relating to training, 863 inspection, and firearm qualification; and define conditions, 864 requirements, costs, and responsibilities necessary to satisfy 865 the background screening requirements of paragraph (d).

(c) <u>Feis guardian program certified</u> school security guards serving in the capacity of a safe-school officer pursuant to this subsection are in support of school-sanctioned activities for purposes of s. 790.115, and must aid in the prevention or abatement of active assailant incidents on school premises.

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871	(d) A Feis guardian program certified school security guard
872	serving in the capacity of a safe-school officer pursuant to
873	this subsection is considered to be a "noninstructional
874	contractor" subject to the background screening requirements of
875	ss. 1012.465 and 1012.467, as they apply to each applicable
876	school district or charter school, and these requirements must
877	be satisfied before the Feis guardian program certified school
878	security guard is given access to school grounds.
879	(5) NOTIFICATIONThe school district superintendent or
880	charter school administrator shall notify the county sheriff and
881	the Office of Safe Schools immediately after, but no later than
882	72 hours after:
883	(a) A safe-school officer is dismissed for misconduct or is
884	otherwise disciplined.
885	(b) A safe-school officer discharges his or her firearm in
886	the exercise of the safe-school officer's duties, other than for
887	training purposes.
888	(6) EXEMPTIONAny information that would identify whether
889	a particular individual has been appointed as a safe-school
890	officer pursuant to this section held by a law enforcement
891	agency, school district, or charter school is exempt from s.
892	119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution. This
893	subsection is subject to the Open Government Sunset Review Act
894	in accordance with s. 119.15 and shall stand repealed on October
895	2, 2023, unless reviewed and saved from repeal through
896	reenactment by the Legislature.
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898	If a district school board, through its adopted policies,
899	procedures, or actions, denies a charter school access to any
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900	safe-school officer options pursuant to this section, the school
901	district must assign a sworn law enforcement school resource
902	officer or sworn law enforcement school safety officer to the
903	charter school. Under such circumstances, the charter school's
904	share of the costs of the sworn law enforcement school resource
905	officer or <u>sworn law enforcement</u> school safety officer may not
906	exceed the safe school allocation funds provided to the charter
907	school pursuant to s. 1011.62(15) and shall be retained by the
908	school district.
909	Section 13. Subsection (3) of section 1006.13, Florida
910	Statutes, is amended to read:
911	1006.13 Policy of zero tolerance for crime and
912	victimization
913	(3) Zero-tolerance policies must require students found to
914	have committed one of the following offenses to be expelled,
915	with or without continuing educational services, from the
916	student's regular school for a period of not less than 1 full
917	year, and to be referred to the criminal justice or juvenile
918	justice system.
919	(a) Bringing a firearm or weapon, as defined in chapter
920	790, to school, to any school function, or onto any school-
921	sponsored transportation or possessing a firearm at school.
922	(b) Making a threat or false report, as defined by ss.
923	790.162 and 790.163, respectively, involving school or school
924	personnel's property, school transportation, or a school-
925	sponsored activity.
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927	District school boards may assign the student to a <u>school-based</u>
928	diversion program pursuant to s. 985.12 disciplinary program for

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929	the purpose of continuing educational services during the period
930	of expulsion. District school superintendents may consider the
931	1-year expulsion requirement on a case-by-case basis and request
932	the district school board to modify the requirement by assigning
933	the student to a <u>school-based diversion program pursuant to s.</u>
934	985.12 disciplinary program or second chance school if the
935	request for modification is in writing and it is determined to
936	be in the best interest of the student and the school system. If
937	a student committing any of the offenses in this subsection is a
938	student who has a disability, the district school board shall
939	comply with applicable State Board of Education rules.
940	Section 14. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section
941	1006.1493, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
942	1006.1493 Florida Safe Schools Assessment Tool
943	(2) The FSSAT must help school officials identify threats,
944	vulnerabilities, and appropriate safety controls for the schools
945	that they supervise, pursuant to the security risk assessment
946	requirements of s. 1006.07(6).
947	(a) At a minimum, the FSSAT must address all of the
948	following components:
949	1. School emergency and crisis preparedness planning;
950	2. Security, crime, and violence prevention policies and
951	procedures;
952	3. Physical security measures;
953	4. Professional development training needs;
954	5. An examination of support service roles in school
955	safety, security, and emergency planning;
956	6. School security and school police staffing, operational
957	practices, and related services;

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581-02304-20 20207040pb 958 7. School and community collaboration on school safety; and 959 8. A return on investment analysis of the recommended 960 physical security controls. 961 9. Policies and procedures to prepare for and respond to 962 natural or manmade disasters or emergencies, including plans to 963 reunite students and employees with families after a school is 964 closed or unexpectedly evacuated due to such disasters or 965 emergencies. 966 Section 15. Effective July 1, 2020, subsection (16) of 967 section 1011.62, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 968 1011.62 Funds for operation of schools.-If the annual 969 allocation from the Florida Education Finance Program to each 970 district for operation of schools is not determined in the 971 annual appropriations act or the substantive bill implementing 972 the annual appropriations act, it shall be determined as 973 follows: 974 (16) MENTAL HEALTH ASSISTANCE ALLOCATION.-The mental health 975 assistance allocation is created to provide funding to assist 976 school districts in establishing or expanding school-based 977 mental health care; train educators and other school staff in 978 detecting and responding to mental health issues; and connect 979 children, youth, and families who may experience behavioral 980 health issues with appropriate services. These funds shall be 981 allocated annually in the General Appropriations Act or other law to each eligible school district. Each school district shall 982 983 receive a minimum of \$100,000, with the remaining balance 984 allocated based on each school district's proportionate share of 985 the state's total unweighted full-time equivalent student 986 enrollment. Charter schools that submit a plan separate from the

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581-02304-20 20207040pb 987 school district are entitled to a proportionate share of 988 district funding. The allocated funds may not supplant funds 989 that are provided for this purpose from other operating funds 990 and may not be used to increase salaries or provide bonuses. 991 School districts are encouraged to maximize third-party health 992 insurance benefits and Medicaid claiming for services, where 993 appropriate. 994 (a) Before the distribution of the allocation: 995 1. The school district shall must develop and submit a 996 detailed plan outlining the local program and planned 997 expenditures to the district school board for approval. The This 998 plan, which must include input from school and community 999 stakeholders, applies to all district schools, including charter 1000 schools, unless a charter school elects to submit a plan 1001 independently from the school district pursuant to subparagraph 1002 2. 1003 2. A charter school may develop and submit a detailed plan 1004 outlining the local program and planned expenditures to its 1005 governing body for approval. After the plan is approved by the 1006 governing body, it must be provided to the charter school's 1007 sponsor. 1008 (b) The plans required under paragraph (a) must be focused 1009 on a multitiered system of supports to deliver evidence-based 1010 mental health care assessment, diagnosis, intervention, 1011 treatment, and recovery services to students with one or more 1012 mental health or co-occurring substance abuse diagnoses and to students at high risk of such diagnoses. The provision of these 1013 1014 services must be coordinated with a student's primary mental 1015 health care provider and with other mental health providers

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581-02304-2020207040pb1016involved in the student's care. At a minimum, the plans must1017include the following elements:

1018 1. Direct employment of school-based mental health services 1019 providers to expand and enhance school-based student services 1020 and to reduce the ratio of students to staff in order to better 1021 align with nationally recommended ratio models. These providers 1022 include, but are not limited to, certified school counselors, 1023 school psychologists, school social workers, and other licensed 1024 mental health professionals. The plan also must establish 1025 identify strategies to increase the amount of time that school-1026 based student services personnel spend providing direct services 1027 to students, which may include the review and revision of 1028 district staffing resource allocations based on school or 1029 student mental health assistance needs.

1030 2. Contracts or interagency agreements with one or more 1031 local community behavioral health providers or providers of 1032 Community Action Team services to provide a behavioral health 1033 staff presence and services at district schools. Services may 1034 include, but are not limited to, mental health screenings and 1035 assessments, individual counseling, family counseling, group 1036 counseling, psychiatric or psychological services, trauma-1037 informed care, mobile crisis services, and behavior 1038 modification. These behavioral health services may be provided 1039 on or off the school campus and may be supplemented by telehealth. 1040

1041 3. Policies and procedures, including contracts with 1042 service providers, which will ensure that students who are 1043 referred to a school-based or community-based mental health 1044 service provider for mental health screening for the

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1045	identification of mental health concerns and ensure that the
1046	assessment of students at risk for mental health disorders
1047	occurs within 15 days of referral. School-based mental health
1048	services must be initiated within 15 days after identification
1049	and assessment, and support by community-based mental health
1050	service providers for students who are referred for community-
1051	based mental health services must be initiated within 30 days
1052	after the school or district makes a referral.
1053	4. Mental health policies and procedures that implement and
1054	support all of the following elements:
1055	a. Universal supports to promote psychological well-being
1056	and safe and supportive environments.
1057	b. Evidence-based strategies or programs to reduce the
1058	likelihood of at-risk students developing social, emotional, or
1059	behavioral health problems, depression, anxiety disorders,
1060	suicidal tendencies, or substance use disorders.
1061	c.5. Strategies to improve the early identification of
1062	social, emotional, or behavioral problems or substance use
1063	disorders <u>;</u> provide , to improve the provision of early
1064	intervention services: $_{\mathcal{T}}$ and $_{ extsf{to}}$ assist students in dealing with
1065	trauma and violence.
1066	d. Methods for responding to a student with suicidal
1067	ideation, including training in suicide risk assessment and the
1068	use of suicide awareness, prevention, and screening instruments
1069	developed under s. 1012.583; adoption of guidelines for
1070	informing parents of suicide risk; and implementation of board
1071	policies for initiating involuntary examination of students at
1072	risk of suicide.
1073	e. A school crisis response plan that includes strategies

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581-02304-20 20207040pb 1074 for the prevention of, preparation for, response to, and 1075 recovery from a range of school crises. The plan must establish 1076 or coordinate the implementation of district-level and school-1077 level crisis response teams whose membership includes, but is 1078 not limited to, representatives of school administration and 1079 school-based mental health service providers. 1080 (c) School districts shall submit approved plans, including 1081 approved plans of each charter school in the district, to the commissioner by August 1 of each fiscal year. 1082 1083 (d) By September 30 of each year Beginning September 30, 1084 2019, and annually by September 30 thereafter, each school 1085 district shall submit its district report to the department. By November 1 of each year, the department shall submit a state 1086 1087 summary report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and 1088 the Speaker of the House of Representatives on Department of 1089 Education a report on its program outcomes and expenditures for the previous fiscal year. The school district report must 1090 1091 include program outcomes and expenditures for all public schools 1092 in the district, including charter schools that submitted a 1093 separate plan. At a minimum, the district and state reports also 1094 must that, at a minimum, must include school district-level and school-level, including charter schools, information, including 1095 multiple-year trend data, when available, for each of the number 1096 1097 of each of the following indicators: 1098

1098 1. <u>The number of</u> students who receive screenings or 1099 assessments.

1100 2. <u>The number of</u> students who are referred to either 1101 school-based or community-based providers for services or 1102 assistance.

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L103	3. The number of students who receive either school-based
L104	or community-based interventions, services, or assistance.
L105	4. The number of school-based and community-based mental
L106	health providers, including licensure type, paid for from funds
L107	provided through the allocation.
L108	5. The number and ratio to students of school social
L109	workers, school psychologists, and certified school counselors
L110	employed by the district or charter school and the total number
1111	of licensed mental health professionals directly employed by the
1112	district or charter school.
L113	<u>6.</u> Contract-based collaborative efforts or partnerships
1114	with community mental health programs, agencies, or providers.

1115 Section 16. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this 1116 act, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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