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The Committee on Education (Diaz) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete everything after the enacting clause  
and insert:

Section 1. Section 286.101, Florida Statutes, is created to  
read:

286.101 Foreign gifts and contracts.-

(1) As used in this section, the term:

(a) "Contract" means any agreement for the direct benefit  
or use of any party to such agreement, including an agreement  
for the sale of commodities or services.



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12           (b) "Foreign country of concern" means the People's  
13 Republic of China, the Russian Federation, the Islamic Republic  
14 of Iran, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Republic  
15 of Cuba, the Venezuelan regime of Nicolás Maduro, or the Syrian  
16 Arab Republic, including any agency of or any other entity under  
17 significant control of such foreign country of concern.

18           (c) "Foreign government" means the government of any  
19 country, nation, group of nations, or any province or other  
20 political subdivision of any country or nation, other than the  
21 government of the United States or the government of a state or  
22 political subdivision, including any agent of such foreign  
23 government.

24           (d) "Foreign source" means any of the following:

25           1. A foreign government or an agency of a foreign  
26 government.

27           2. A legal entity, governmental or otherwise, created  
28 solely under the laws of a foreign state or states.

29           3. An individual who is not a citizen or a national of the  
30 United States or a territory or protectorate of the United  
31 States.

32           4. An agent, including a subsidiary or an affiliate of a  
33 foreign legal entity, acting on behalf of a foreign source.

34           (e) "Gift" means any transfer of money or property from one  
35 entity to another without compensation.

36           (f) "Grant" means a transfer of money for a specified  
37 purpose, including a conditional gift.

38           (g) "Interest" in an entity means any direct or indirect  
39 investment in or loan to the entity valued at 5 percent or more  
40 of the entity's net worth or any form of direct or indirect



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41 control exerting similar or greater influence on the governance  
42 of the entity.

43 (h) "State agency" means any agency or unit of state  
44 government created or established by law.

45 (2) Any state agency or political subdivision that receives  
46 directly or indirectly any gift or grant with a value of \$50,000  
47 or more from any foreign source shall disclose such gift or  
48 grant to the Department of Financial Services within 30 days  
49 after receiving such gift or grant. Such disclosure shall  
50 include the date of the gift or grant, the amount of the gift or  
51 grant and the name and country of residence or domicile of the  
52 foreign source. Disclosure is not required if such gift or grant  
53 is disclosed under s. 1010.25.

54 (3) (a) Any entity that applies to a state agency or  
55 political subdivision for a grant or proposes a contract having  
56 a value of \$100,000 or more shall disclose to the state agency  
57 or political subdivision any current or prior interest of, any  
58 contract with, or any grant or gift received from a foreign  
59 country of concern if such interest, contract, or grant or gift  
60 has a value of \$50,000 or more and such interest existed at any  
61 time or such contract or grant or gift was received or in force  
62 at any time during the previous 5 years. Such disclosure shall  
63 include the name and mailing address of the disclosing entity,  
64 the amount of the contract, grant or gift or the value of the  
65 interest disclosed, the applicable foreign country of concern  
66 and, if applicable, the date of termination of the contract or  
67 interest, the date of receipt of the grant or gift, and the name  
68 of the agent or controlled entity that is the source or interest  
69 holder. Within 1 year before applying for any grant or proposing



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70 any contract, such entity must provide a copy of such disclosure  
71 to the Department of Financial Services.

72 (b) Disclosure under this subsection is not required with  
73 respect to:

74 1. A proposal to sell commodities through the online  
75 procurement program established pursuant to s. 287.057(22);

76 2. An application or proposal from an entity that discloses  
77 foreign gifts or grants under subsection (2) or s. 1010.25 or;

78 3. An application or proposal from a foreign source that,  
79 if granted or accepted, would be disclosed under subsection (2)  
80 or s. 1010.25;

81 4. An application or proposal from a public or not-for-  
82 profit research institution with respect to research funded by  
83 any federal agency.

84 (c) A disclosure published online pursuant to subsection  
85 (5) is deemed disclosed to every state agency and political  
86 subdivision for purposes of subsection (a). From the time a  
87 disclosure is made under paragraph (a) through the term of any  
88 awarded state grant or contract, the entity must revise its  
89 disclosure within 30 days after entering into a contract with or  
90 receiving a grant or gift from a foreign country of concern or  
91 within 30 days after the acquisition of any interest in the  
92 entity by a foreign country of concern.

93 (4) At least once every 5 years, the Department of  
94 Management Services shall screen each vendor of commodities  
95 participating in the online procurement system if such vendor  
96 has the capacity to fill an order of \$100,000 or more. Screening  
97 must be conducted through federal agencies responsible for  
98 identifying persons and organizations subject to trade



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99 sanctions, embargoes, or other restrictions under federal law.  
100 If a vendor is identified as being subject to any such  
101 sanctions, embargoes, or other restrictions, the vendor must  
102 make the disclosures required under subsection (3) until such  
103 restriction expires. A notification regarding the applicability  
104 of the disclosure requirement in subsection (3) to the vendor  
105 must be included on the online procurement system when  
106 applicable. The Department of Management Services must ensure  
107 that purchasers through the online procurement system may easily  
108 access all disclosures made by vendors participating system.

109 (5) The Department of Financial Services must establish and  
110 maintain an Internet website to publish the disclosures required  
111 under this section. The Department of Financial Services may  
112 establish an online system for making such disclosures. The  
113 Department of Management Services may coordinate with the  
114 Department of Financial Services to establish the online system.

115 (6) (a) Upon receiving a referral from an inspector general  
116 or other compliance officer of a state agency or political  
117 subdivision or any sworn complaint based upon substantive  
118 information and reasonable belief, the Department of Financial  
119 Services must investigate an allegation of a violation of this  
120 section.

121 (b) The Department of Financial Services, an inspector  
122 general, or any other agent or compliance officer authorized by  
123 a state agency or political subdivision may request records  
124 relevant to any reasonable suspicion of a violation of this  
125 section. An entity must provide the required records within 30  
126 days after such request or at a later time agreed to by the  
127 investigating state agency or political subdivision.



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128       (7) (a) Failure to make a disclosure required under this  
129 section or failure to provide records requested under paragraph  
130 (6) (b) constitutes a civil violation punishable upon a final  
131 order of the Department of Financial Services by an  
132 administrative fine of \$5,000 for a first violation or \$10,000  
133 for any subsequent violation.

134       (b) In addition to any fine assessed under paragraph (a), a  
135 final order determining a third or subsequent violation by a  
136 state agency or political subdivision must include a  
137 determination of the identity of the officer responsible for  
138 acceptance of the undisclosed grant or gift. Such order must  
139 also include a referral by the Department of Financial Services  
140 to the Governor or other officer authorized to suspend or remove  
141 the officer responsible for acceptance of the undisclosed grant  
142 or gift from public office. A copy of such referral must be  
143 provided to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the  
144 House of Representatives for oversight of such suspension and  
145 removal authority.

146       (c) In addition to any fine assessed under paragraph (a), a  
147 final order determining a third or subsequent violation by an  
148 entity other than a state agency or political subdivision shall  
149 automatically disqualify the entity from eligibility for any  
150 grant or contract funded by a state agency or any political  
151 subdivision until such ineligibility is lifted by the  
152 Administration Commission for good cause. The Department of  
153 Financial Services shall include and maintain an active and  
154 current list of such ineligible entities on the Internet website  
155 maintained under subsection (5).

156       (8) Except as provided in s. 1004.22(2), or information



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157 protected by any statute that is a trade secret as defined in s.  
158 812.081(1)(c) or s. 688.002(4), information and records relating  
159 to a gift or grant from a foreign source are not confidential or  
160 exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State  
161 Constitution.

162 (9) (a) The Department of Management Services may adopt  
163 rules necessary to carry out its responsibilities under this  
164 section. The rules may identify the federal agencies to be  
165 consulted under subsection (4) and the procedure for notifying a  
166 vendor of the disclosure requirements under this section when  
167 applicable. The Department of Management Services may also adopt  
168 rules providing for the application of this section to the  
169 online procurement system.

170 (b) The Department of Financial Services may adopt rules  
171 necessary to carry out its responsibilities under this section.

172 (c) Any rules necessary to implement this section must be  
173 published by December 31, 2021, unless the applicable department  
174 head certifies in writing that a delay is necessary and the date  
175 by which the proposed rules will be published. Such  
176 certification must be published in the Florida Administrative  
177 Register and a copy provided to the Joint Administrative  
178 Procedures Committee.

179 Section 2. Section 288.860, Florida Statutes, is created to  
180 read:

181 288.860 International cultural agreements.-

182 (1) As used in this section, the term:

183 (a) "Foreign country of concern" means the People's  
184 Republic of China, the Russian Federation, the Islamic Republic  
185 of Iran, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Republic



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186 of Cuba, the Venezuelan regime of Nicolás Maduro, or the Syrian  
187 Arab Republic, including any agency of or any other entity under  
188 significant control of such foreign country of concern.

189 (b) "Political subdivision" includes any entity under the  
190 control of or established for the benefit of a political  
191 subdivision.

192 (c) "Public school" means any education institution under  
193 the supervision of a school district and any entity under the  
194 control of or established for the benefit of a public school or  
195 school district.

196 (d) "State agency" means any agency or unit of state  
197 government created or established by law and any entity under  
198 the control of or established for the benefit of a state agency.

199 (e) "State college" means any postsecondary education  
200 institution under the supervision of the State Board of  
201 Education, including any entity under the control of or  
202 established for the benefit of a state college.

203 (f) "State university" means any state university under the  
204 supervision of the Board of Governors, including any entity  
205 under the control of or established for the benefit of a state  
206 university.

207 (2) A state agency, political subdivision, public school,  
208 state college, or state university authorized to expend state-  
209 appropriated funds or levy ad valorem taxes may not participate  
210 in any agreement with or accept any grant from a foreign country  
211 of concern, or any entity controlled by a foreign country of  
212 concern, which establishes a program or other endeavor to  
213 promote the language or culture of a foreign country of concern.

214 (3) A state agency, political subdivision, public school,





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215 state college, or state university may not accept anything of  
216 value conditioned upon participation in a program or other  
217 endeavor to promote the language or culture of a foreign country  
218 of concern.

219 Section 3. Section 1010.25, Florida Statutes, is created to  
220 read:

221 1010.25 Foreign gift reporting.-

222 (1) As used in this section, the term:

223 (a) "Affiliate organization" means any entity under the  
224 control of or established for the benefit of an organization  
225 required to report under this section, including a direct-  
226 support organization.

227 (b) "Contract means any agreement for the acquisition by  
228 purchase, lease, or barter of property or services by the  
229 foreign source, for the direct benefit or use of either of the  
230 parties, and any purchase, lease or barter of property or  
231 services from a foreign country of concern as defined in s.  
232 286.101(1)(b).

233 (c) "Direct-support organization" has the same meaning as  
234 provided in ss. 1004.28(1)(a), 1004.70(1)(a), and 1004.71(1)(a).

235 (d) "Foreign government" means the government of any  
236 country, nation, group of nations, or any province or other  
237 political subdivision of any country or nation, other than the  
238 government of the United States or the government of a state or  
239 political subdivision, including any agent of such foreign  
240 government.

241 (e) "Foreign source" means any of the following:

242 1. A foreign government or an agency of a foreign  
243 government.



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244 2. A legal entity, governmental or otherwise, created  
245 solely under the laws of a foreign state or states.

246 3. An individual who is not a citizen or a national of the  
247 United States or a territory or protectorate of the United  
248 States.

249 4. An agent, including a subsidiary or an affiliate of a  
250 foreign legal entity, acting on behalf of a foreign source.

251 (f) "Gift" means any contract, gift, grant, endowment,  
252 award, or donation of money or property of any kind, or any  
253 combination thereof, including a conditional or an unconditional  
254 pledge of such contract, gift, grant, endowment, award, or  
255 donation. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "pledge"  
256 means a promise, an agreement, or an expressed intention to give  
257 a gift.

258 (g) "Institution of higher education" means a state  
259 university, an entity listed in subpart B of part II of chapter  
260 1004 that has its own governing board, a Florida College System  
261 institution, an independent nonprofit college or university that  
262 is located in and chartered by the state and grants  
263 baccalaureate or higher degrees, any other institution that has  
264 a physical presence in the state and is required to report  
265 foreign gifts or contracts pursuant to 20 U.S.C. s. 1011f, or an  
266 affiliate organization of an institution of higher education.

267 (2) Each institution of higher education must semiannually  
268 report, each January 31 and July 31, any gift received directly  
269 or indirectly from a foreign source with a value of \$50,000 or  
270 more during the fiscal year. If a foreign source provides more  
271 than one gift directly or indirectly to an institution of higher  
272 education in a single fiscal year and the total value of those



273 gifts is \$50,000 or more, all gifts received from that foreign  
274 source must be reported. For purposes of this subsection, a gift  
275 received from a foreign source through an intermediary shall be  
276 considered an indirect gift to the institution of higher  
277 education. An institution of higher education may consolidate  
278 its report with that of all its affiliate organizations. A  
279 report required under this subsection must be made to the  
280 following entities:

281 (a) The Board of Governors, if the recipient is a state  
282 university, an entity listed in subpart B of part II of chapter  
283 1004 that has its own governing board, or an affiliate  
284 organization of such university or entity.

285 (b) Unless already reported to the Board of Governors  
286 pursuant to paragraph (a), the State Board of Education, if the  
287 recipient is any other institution of higher education or an  
288 affiliate organization of such institution.

289 (3) For each gift subject to the reporting requirement in  
290 subsection (2), the report of the institution of higher  
291 education must provide all of the following information, unless  
292 otherwise prohibited or deemed confidential under federal law  
293 having no exemption applicable to such reporting:

294 (a) The amount of the gift and the date it was received.

295 (b) The contract start and end date if the gift is a  
296 contract.

297 (c) The name of the foreign source and, if not a foreign  
298 government, the country of citizenship, if known, and the  
299 country of principal residence or domicile of the foreign  
300 source.

301 (d)1. A copy of a gift agreement between the foreign source



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302 and the institution of higher education, signed by the foreign  
303 source and the chief administrative officer of the institution  
304 of higher education, or their respective designees, which must  
305 include a detailed description of the purpose for which the gift  
306 will be used by the institution of higher education, the  
307 identification of the persons for whom the gift is explicitly  
308 intended to benefit, and any applicable conditions,  
309 requirements, restrictions, or terms made a part of the gift  
310 regarding the control of curricula, faculty, student admissions,  
311 student fees, or contingencies placed upon the institution of  
312 higher education to take a specific public position or to award  
313 an honorary degree. With respect to an agreement containing  
314 information protected from disclosure under s. 1004.22(4), an  
315 abstract and redacted copy providing all required information  
316 that is not so protected may be submitted in lieu of a copy of  
317 the agreement.

318 2. Beginning July 1, 2022, the Inspector General of the  
319 Board of Governors or the Inspector General of the Department of  
320 Education, as applicable, shall, within existing resources,  
321 randomly inspect or audit at least 10 percent of the total  
322 number of gifts or gift agreements received from institutions of  
323 higher education pursuant to this paragraph during the previous  
324 year. The inspection or audit shall examine the extent to which  
325 the institution of higher education exercised due diligence with  
326 respect to whether the gift was received from a foreign source,  
327 as well as the institution of higher education's compliance with  
328 the requirements of this section.

329 3. Upon the request of the Governor, the President of the  
330 Senate, or the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the



331 Inspector General of the Board of Governors or the Inspector  
332 General of the Department of Education, as applicable, must  
333 inspect or audit a gift or gift agreement.

334 (4) The State Board of Education or the Board of Governors,  
335 as applicable, shall exercise the authority provided pursuant to  
336 s. 1008.32 or s. 1008.322, respectively, to sanction an  
337 institution of higher education that fails to report a  
338 reportable gift within 60 days after the reporting deadlines  
339 established in subsection (2).

340 (5) (a) An institution of higher education that knowingly,  
341 willfully, or negligently fails to disclose the information  
342 required by this section shall be subject to a civil penalty of  
343 105 percent of the amount of the undisclosed gift, payable only  
344 from nonstate funds of the institution of higher education or  
345 the affiliate organization that received such gift. The  
346 recovered funds must be deposited into the General Revenue Fund.  
347 The Board of Governors and the State Board of Education, as  
348 applicable, may administratively enforce this section and impose  
349 the civil penalty as an administrative penalty. A lesser  
350 penalty, but at least 5 percent of the amount of the undisclosed  
351 gift may be imposed if a negligent failure is not a result of  
352 negligent management or is de minimis.

353 (b) In the absence of enforcement by the Board of Governors  
354 or the State Board of Education, as applicable, the Attorney  
355 General or Chief Financial Officer may bring a civil action to  
356 enforce this section. If such action is successful, the Attorney  
357 General or Chief Financial Officer, as applicable, is entitled  
358 to reasonable attorney fees and costs.

359 (6) Except as provided in s. 1004.22(2), or information



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360 protected by any statute that is a trade secret as defined in s.  
361 812.081(1)(c) or s. 688.002(4), information and records relating  
362 to a gift from a foreign source are not confidential or exempt  
363 from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State  
364 Constitution.

365 (7) The Board of Governors may adopt regulations, and the  
366 State Board of Education may adopt rules, to implement this  
367 section.

368 Section 4. Section 1010.35, Florida Statutes, is created to  
369 read:

370 1010.35 Screening foreign researchers.-

371 (1) Each state university or entity listed in subpart A or  
372 subpart B of part II of chapter 1004 that receives state  
373 appropriations or state tax revenue and has a research budget of  
374 \$10 million or more must screen applicants seeking employment in  
375 research or research-related support positions, graduate and  
376 undergraduate students applying for research or research support  
377 positions, and applicants for positions of visiting researcher,  
378 who are citizens of a foreign country and who are not permanent  
379 residents of the United States, or who are citizens or permanent  
380 residents of the United States who have any affiliation with an  
381 institution or program, or at least one year of prior employment  
382 or training, excepting employment or training by an agency of  
383 the United States government, in a foreign country of concern as  
384 defined in s. 286.101. Such screening is required prior to  
385 interviewing such applicant or offering to such applicant a  
386 position of employment or of visiting researcher. At the  
387 discretion of the university or entity, other applicants for  
388 such positions may be screened.



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389       (2) In addition to satisfying all employment and enrollment  
390 qualifications imposed by federal law, the Board of Governors or  
391 the governing board of the applicable entity must require the  
392 following of applicants included in subsection (1):

393       a. A foreign applicant must submit a complete copy of the  
394 applicant's passport and most recently submitted Nonimmigrant  
395 Visa Application, DS-160. After extraction of all information  
396 relevant to the requirements of this section a university or  
397 entity may destroy or return the copy of the DS-160 submitted by  
398 an applicant.

399       b. All applicants described in subsection (1) must submit a  
400 complete resume and curriculum vitae, including every  
401 institution of higher education attended; all previous  
402 employment since the applicant's 18th birthday; a list of all  
403 published material for which the applicant received credit as an  
404 author, a researcher, or otherwise or to which the applicant  
405 contributed significant research, writing, or editorial support;  
406 a list of the applicant's current and pending research funding  
407 from any source, including funder, amount, applicant's role on  
408 the project, and brief description of the research; and a full  
409 disclosure of non-university professional activities including  
410 any affiliation with an institution or program in a foreign  
411 country of concern. For applicants who have been continually  
412 employed or enrolled in a postsecondary education institution in  
413 the United States for 20 years or more, the resume may, but need  
414 not, include employment history before the most recent 20 years.

415       (3) The president or chief administrative officer of the  
416 state university or applicable entity shall designate a research  
417 integrity office to review all materials required in subsection



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418 (2) and take reasonable steps to verify all attendance,  
419 employment, publications, and contributions listed in the  
420 application required in subsection (2) prior to any interview of  
421 or offer of a position to the applicant. Reasonable steps  
422 include searching public databases for research publications and  
423 presentations and public conflict of interest records to  
424 identify any research publication or presentation that may have  
425 been omitted from the application, contacting all employers of  
426 the most recent 10 years to verify employment, contacting all  
427 institutions of higher education attended to verify enrollment  
428 and educational progress, searching public listings of persons  
429 subject to sanctions or restrictions under federal law, and  
430 submitting the applicant's name and other identifying  
431 information to the Federal Bureau of Investigation or any  
432 federal agency reasonably willing to scrutinize such applicant  
433 for national security or counterespionage purposes, and any  
434 other steps deemed appropriate to the office. The university or  
435 applicable entity may also direct the office to approve  
436 applicants for hire based on a risk-based determination  
437 considering the nature of the research and the background and  
438 ongoing affiliations of the applicant.

439 (4) The requirements of this section must be completed  
440 before interviewing or offering any position to an individual  
441 described in subsection (1) in any research or research-related  
442 support position and before granting such individual any access  
443 to research data or activities or other sensitive data. An  
444 applicant who must be screened under this section may not be  
445 employed in any research or research-related support position if  
446 he or she fails to disclose a substantial educational,





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447 employment, or research-related activity or publication or  
448 presentation at the time of submitting the application required  
449 in subsection (2), unless the department head, or a designee,  
450 certifies in writing the substance of the nondisclosure and the  
451 reasons for disregarding such failure to disclose. A copy of  
452 such certification must be kept in the investigative file of the  
453 research integrity office and must be submitted to the nearest  
454 Federal Bureau of Investigation field office.

455 (5) The research integrity office must report to the  
456 nearest Federal Bureau of Investigation field office, and to any  
457 law enforcement agency designated by the Governor or the Board  
458 of Governors and the governing board of the applicable entity  
459 described in subsection (1), the identity of any applicant who  
460 was rejected for employment based on the scrutiny required by  
461 this section or other risk-based screening.

462 (6) By July 1, 2025, the Inspector General of the Board of  
463 Governors, the inspector general of an entity described in  
464 subsection (1), or the Auditor General must perform an  
465 operational audit regarding the implementation of this section.

466 Section 5. Section 1010.36, Florida Statutes, is created to  
467 read:

468 1010.36 Foreign travel; research institutions.—

469 (1) By January 1, 2022, each state university or entity  
470 listed in subpart A or subpart B of part II of chapter 1004 that  
471 receives state appropriations or state tax revenue and has a  
472 research budget of \$10 million or more must establish an  
473 international travel approval and monitoring program. The  
474 program must require preapproval and screening by a research  
475 integrity office designated by the president or chief



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476 administrative officer of the state university or entity for any  
477 foreign travel and foreign employment-related activities engaged  
478 in by all faculty, researchers, and research department staff.  
479 Such requirement is in addition to any other travel approval  
480 process applicable to the state university or entity.

481 (2) (a) Preapproval by the research integrity office must be  
482 based on the applicant's review and acknowledgement of guidance  
483 published by the employing state university or entity which  
484 relates to countries under sanctions or other restrictions of  
485 the state or the United States government, including any federal  
486 license requirement; customs rules; export controls;  
487 restrictions on taking state university or entity property,  
488 including intellectual property, abroad; restrictions on  
489 presentations, teaching, and interactions with foreign  
490 colleagues; and other subjects important to the research and  
491 academic integrity of the state university or entity.

492 (b) Preapproval must be based on the binding commitment of  
493 the individual traveler not to violate the state university's or  
494 entity's limitations on travel and activities abroad and to obey  
495 all applicable federal laws.

496 (3) The state university or entity must maintain records of  
497 all foreign travel requests and approvals; expenses reimbursed  
498 by the university or entity during such travel, including for  
499 travel, food, and lodging; and payments and honoraria received  
500 during such travel and activities, including for travel, food,  
501 and lodging. The state university or entity must also keep  
502 records of the purpose of the travel and any records related to  
503 the foreign activity review.. Such records must be retained for  
504 at least three years or any longer period of time required by



505 any other applicable state or federal law.

506 (4) The state university or entity must provide an annual  
507 report of foreign travel to countries of concern listing  
508 individual travelers, foreign locations visited, and foreign  
509 institutions visited to the Board of Governors or the governing  
510 board of the applicable.

511 (5) By July 1, 2025, the Inspector General of the Board of  
512 Governors, the inspector general of an entity described in  
513 subsection (1), or the Auditor General must perform an  
514 operational audit regarding the implementation of this section.

515 Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

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

518 And the title is amended as follows:

519 Delete everything before the enacting clause  
520 and insert:

521 A bill to be entitled  
522 An act relating to foreign influence; creating s.  
523 286.101, F.S.; providing definitions; requiring any  
524 state agency or political subdivision to disclose  
525 certain gifts or grants received from any foreign  
526 source to the Department of Financial Services within  
527 a specified timeframe; providing an exception;  
528 requiring any entity that applies for a certain grant  
529 or proposes a certain contract to disclose to a state  
530 agency or political subdivision any current or prior  
531 interest of, contract with, or grant or gift received  
532 from a foreign country of concern under certain  
533 circumstances; specifying information to be included



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534 in the disclosure; requiring such entity to provide a  
535 copy of such disclosure to the department within a  
536 specified timeframe before applying for any grant or  
537 proposing any contract; requiring such entity to  
538 revise its disclosure within a specified timeframe  
539 under certain circumstances; providing exceptions to  
540 disclosure requirements; requiring the Department of  
541 Management Services to screen certain vendors  
542 periodically; requiring certain notification on the  
543 online procurement system; requiring the Department of  
544 Financial Services to establish and maintain an  
545 Internet website to publish the disclosures;  
546 authorizing the department to establish an online  
547 system for making such disclosures; authorizing the  
548 Department of Management Services to coordinate with  
549 the Department of Financial Services to establish such  
550 online system; requiring the Department of Financial  
551 Services to investigate allegations of certain  
552 violations under certain circumstances; authorizing  
553 the department or specified persons to request certain  
554 records; providing for the assessment of fines and  
555 penalties under certain circumstances; requiring the  
556 department to include and maintain a list of  
557 ineligible entities on a certain Internet website;  
558 providing that certain information and records  
559 relating to a gift or grant from a foreign source are  
560 not confidential or exempt from public records  
561 requirements; providing exceptions; authorizing  
562 rulemaking; creating s. 288.860, F.S.; providing



563 definitions; prohibiting certain agencies and entities  
564 from participating in agreements with or accepting  
565 grants received from foreign countries of concern  
566 under certain circumstances; prohibiting such agencies  
567 and entities from accepting anything of value as a  
568 condition for participation in certain programs or  
569 endeavors that promote the language or culture of  
570 foreign countries of concern; creating s. 1010.25,  
571 F.S.; providing definitions; requiring institutions of  
572 higher education to semiannually report to certain  
573 entities regarding certain gifts they received  
574 directly or indirectly from a foreign source;  
575 authoring the report to be consolidated with affiliate  
576 organizations; requiring such institutions to provide  
577 certain information regarding such gifts; requiring  
578 random inspections or audits of gifts or gift  
579 agreements by certain inspectors general; providing  
580 requirements for such inspections or audits; requiring  
581 the Board of Governors or State Board of Education, as  
582 applicable, to sanction institutions that fail to  
583 report certain gifts within a specified timeframe;  
584 providing for a civil penalty for willful violations;  
585 requiring that the proceeds from such penalty be  
586 deposited in a specified fund; providing a lesser  
587 civil penalty under specified conditions; authorizing  
588 the Attorney General or Chief Financial Officer to  
589 bring a civil action under certain circumstances;  
590 providing for attorney fees and costs; providing that  
591 certain information and records relating to a gift



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592 from a foreign source are not confidential or exempt  
593 from public records requirements; providing  
594 exceptions; authorizing the Board of Governors and  
595 State Board of Education to adopt regulations and  
596 rules, respectively; creating s. 1010.35, F.S.;  
597 requiring certain state universities and other  
598 entities to screen certain foreign applicants seeking  
599 employment in specified research positions; requiring  
600 such applicants to provide additional specified  
601 information as part of the application process;  
602 requiring screening to be completed before an  
603 interview or offer of employment; requiring the  
604 president or chief administrative officer of the state  
605 university or entity to designate a research integrity  
606 office to verify certain information contained in such  
607 applications, search certain public databases, and  
608 submit certain information to specified federal  
609 agencies; specifies conditions that a university may  
610 approve a hire based on a risk-based determination;  
611 prohibiting the employment of an applicant who fails  
612 to make certain disclosures; providing an exception;  
613 requiring certain records to be maintained by the  
614 research integrity office; requiring such office to  
615 report the identity of any applicant who was rejected  
616 for employment to certain law enforcement agencies;  
617 requiring certain inspectors general or the Auditor  
618 General to perform an operational audit by a specified  
619 date; creating s. 1010.36, F.S.; requiring certain  
620 state universities and other entities to establish an



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621 international travel approval and monitoring program;  
622 providing requirements for such program; providing  
623 requirements for preapproval and screening for foreign  
624 travel and foreign employment-related activities  
625 engaged in by faculty, researchers, and research  
626 department staff; requiring state universities and  
627 entities to maintain certain records relating to  
628 foreign travel and activities for at least three  
629 years; requiring a state university or entity to  
630 provide a certain annual report to the Board of  
631 Governors or the governing board of the applicable  
632 entity and publish such report on its Internet  
633 website; requiring a specified entity to conduct an  
634 operational audit of institutions by a specified date;  
635 providing an effective date.