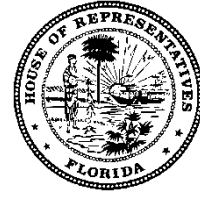


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Wilton Simpson
President of the Senate



Chris Sprowls
Speaker of the House of Representatives

April 27, 2021

The Honorable Wilton Simpson
President of the Senate

The Honorable Chris Sprowls
Speaker, House of Representatives

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

Your Conference Committee on the disagreeing votes of the two houses on HB 5101, same being:

An act relating to Education Funding.

having met, and after full and free conference, do recommend to their respective houses as follows:

1. That the Senate recede from its Amendment 505506.
2. That the Senate and House of Representatives adopt the Conference Committee Amendment attached hereto, and by reference made a part of this report.

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The Conference Committee Amendment for HB 5101, relating to education funding, provides for the following:

Section 1 amends s. 1002.37, F.S., to revise the calculation methodology for determining the amount of FEFP funds appropriated to the Florida Virtual School by adding the Mental Health Assistance Allocation to the calculation.

Section 2 amends s. 1002.45, F.S. to specify the number of virtual instruction options a school district must offer to its part-time and full-time students; revise the allowable expenditure of unexpended virtual instruction funds; limits the enrollment of virtual full-time students residing outside of the school district providing the virtual instruction to no more than 50 percent of the total virtual full-time students residing inside the school district providing the virtual instruction; this applies to any virtual instruction contract or agreement that is entered into for the first time after June 30, 2021; however, a school district may not enroll more virtual full-time equivalent students residing outside of the school district than the total number of reported full-time equivalent students residing inside the school district .

Section 3 amends s. 1011.62, F.S., to delete the requirement that the 300 lowest performing elementary schools on the statewide reading assessment must use their portion of the Supplemental Academic Instruction Allocation on an extra hour of reading per day; repeals the Decline in Full-Time Students Allocation, and the Virtual Education Contribution.

Section 4 amends s. 1012.22, F.S., to specify the annual percent increase to the minimum base salary of instructional personnel on the performance salary schedule; specify the annual percent increase to the salary adjustment of an employee on the performance salary schedule rated as highly effective.

Section 5 requires each school district to use a portion of its nonenrollment allocation from the federal ESSER funds to locate and evaluate the well-being of any unaccounted-for students within the school district; expires 7/1/22.

Section 6 requires each school district to use a portion of its academic acceleration allocation from the federal ESSER funds to remediate student learning loss; expires 7/1/22.

Sections 7 through 13 Conforming Provisions.

Section 14 provides an effective date of July 1, 2021.