



LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
Comm: RCS	.	
04/22/2021	.	
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The Committee on Appropriations (Wright) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. Section 1003.051, Florida Statutes, is created
to read:

1003.051 Purple Star Campuses.—

(1) As used in this section, the term "military student"
means a student who is:

(a) Enrolled in a school district, a charter school, or any



11 school or educational institution participating in an
12 educational choice scholarship program established pursuant to
13 chapter 1002; and

14 (b) A dependent of a current member of the United States
15 military serving on active duty in, or a former member of, the
16 Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard, a reserve
17 component of any branch of the United States military, or the
18 Florida National Guard.

19 (2) (a) The Department of Education shall establish the
20 Purple Star Campus program. At a minimum, the program must
21 require a participating school to:

- 22 1. Designate a staff member as a military liaison.
- 23 2. Maintain a webpage on the school's website which
24 includes resources for military students and their families.
- 25 3. Maintain a student-led transition program that assists
26 military students in transitioning into the school.
- 27 4. Offer professional development training opportunities
28 for staff members on issues relating to military students.
- 29 5. Reserve at least 5 percent of controlled open enrollment
30 seats for military students.

31 (b) The department may establish additional criteria to
32 identify schools that demonstrate a commitment to or provide
33 critical transition supports for military-connected families,
34 such as hosting an annual military recognition event, partnering
35 with a school liaison officer from a military installation,
36 supporting projects that connect the school with the military
37 community, and providing outreach for military parents and their
38 children.

39 (3) A school may partner with a school district to procure



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40 digital, professional development, or other assistance necessary
41 for the school to meet the criteria specified in subsection (2).

42 (4) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules to
43 implement this section.

44 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

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47 And the title is amended as follows:

48 Delete everything before the enacting clause
49 and insert:

50 A bill to be entitled
51 An act relating to Purple Star Campuses; creating s.
52 1003.051, F.S.; defining the term "military student";
53 requiring the Department of Education to establish the
54 Purple Star Campus program; specifying program
55 criteria for participating schools; authorizing
56 schools to partner with school districts to meet such
57 criteria; requiring the State Board of Education to
58 adopt rules; providing an effective date.