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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

The Committee on Appropriations (Diaz) recommended the following:

1 **Senate Amendment to Amendment (876152) (with title**
2 **amendment)**

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4 Delete lines 1437 - 1490
5 and insert:

6 (7) TRANSITION.—To assist in the transition to 2022-2023
7 school grades and district grades calculated based on the
8 comprehensive, end-of-year progress monitoring assessment under
9 s. 1008.25(8), the 2022-2023 school grades and district grades
10 shall serve as an informational baseline for schools and



11 districts to work toward improved performance in future years.
12 Accordingly, notwithstanding any other provision of law:

13 (a) Due to the absence of learning gains data in the 2022-
14 2023 school year, the initial school grading scale for the 2022-
15 2023 informational baseline grades shall be set so that the
16 percentage of schools that earn an "A," "B," "C," "D," and "F"
17 is statistically equivalent to the 2021-2022 school grades
18 results. When learning gains data become available in the 2023-
19 2024 school year, the State Board of Education shall review the
20 school grading scale and determine if the scale should be
21 adjusted.

22 (b) A school may not be required to select and implement a
23 turnaround option pursuant to s. 1008.33 in the 2023-2024 school
24 year based on the school's 2022-2023 grade. The benefits of s.
25 1008.33(4)(c), relating to a school being released from
26 implementation of the turnaround option, and s. 1008.33(4)(d),
27 relating to a school implementing strategies identified in its
28 school improvement plan, apply to a school using turnaround
29 options pursuant to s. 1008.33 which improves to a grade of "C"
30 or higher during the 2022-2023 school year.

31 (c) A school or approved provider under s. 1002.45 which
32 receives the same or lower school grade for the 2022-2023 school
33 year compared to the 2021-2022 school year is not subject to
34 sanctions or penalties that would otherwise occur as a result of
35 the 2022-2023 school grade or rating. A charter school system or
36 school district designated as high performing may not lose the
37 designation based on the 2022-2023 school grades of any of the
38 schools within the charter school system or school district or
39 based on the 2022-2023 district grade, as applicable.



40 (d) For purposes of determining grade 3 retention pursuant
41 to s. 1008.25(5) and high school graduation pursuant to s.
42 1003.4282, student performance on the 2022-2023 comprehensive,
43 end-of-year progress monitoring assessment under s. 1008.25(8)
44 shall be linked to 2021-2022 student performance expectations.
45 In addition to the good cause exemptions under s. 1008.25(6), a
46 student may be promoted to grade 4 for the 2023-2024 school year
47 if the student demonstrates an acceptable level of performance
48 through means reasonably calculated by the school district to
49 provide reliable evidence of the student's performance.

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51 This subsection is repealed July 1, 2025.

52 Section 15. Subsection (7) is added to section 1008.341,
53 Florida Statutes, to read:

54 1008.341 School improvement rating for alternative
55 schools.—

56 (7) TRANSITION.—Due to the absence of learning gains data
57 in the 2022-2023 school year, school improvement ratings will
58 not be calculated for the 2022-2023 school year. When learning
59 gains data become available in the 2023-2024 school year, the
60 State Board of Education shall set the scale for the
61 "Commendable," "Maintaining," and "Unsatisfactory" ratings
62 pursuant to rule. This subsection is repealed July 1, 2025.

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

65 And the title is amended as follows:

66 Delete lines 1566 - 1574

67 and insert:

68 district grade, as applicable; providing a transition



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69 for the calculation of school and district grades for
70 the 2022-2023 school year; providing requirements for
71 the calculation of such grades and exemption schools
72 from specified provisions; providing requirements for
73 determining grade 3 retention and high school
74 graduation for such school year; providing for the
75 future repeal of specified provisions; amending s.
76 1008.341, F.S.; providing that school improvement
77 ratings will not be calculated for the 2022-2023
78 school year; providing for the future repeal of
79 specified provisions; providing an effective date.