

By Senator Gruters

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to individual education plan meetings;  
3           amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; authorizing a parent of a  
4           public school student to audio or video record any  
5           meeting with his or her child's individual education  
6           plan (IEP) team; requiring the parent to notify the  
7           school district in writing a specified time in advance  
8           of his or her intent to record the meeting; amending  
9           s. 1014.04, F.S.; providing that parents have the  
10          right to audio or video record meetings with their  
11          child's IEP team; providing an effective date.

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13 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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15           Section 1. Paragraph (c) is added to subsection (21) of  
16           section 1002.20, Florida Statutes, to read:

17           1002.20 K-12 student and parent rights.—Parents of public  
18           school students must receive accurate and timely information  
19           regarding their child's academic progress and must be informed  
20           of ways they can help their child to succeed in school. K-12  
21           students and their parents are afforded numerous statutory  
22           rights including, but not limited to, the following:

23           (21) PARENTAL INPUT AND MEETINGS.—

24           (c) IEP meetings.—Notwithstanding s. 934.03 and subject to  
25           the protections provided in the Family Educational Rights and  
26           Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. s. 1232g, and ss. 1002.22 and  
27           1002.225, a parent of a public school student may audio or video  
28           record any meeting with his or her child's IEP team, provided  
29           that the parent notifies the school district in writing of his

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30 or her intent to record the meeting at least 24 hours in advance  
31 of the meeting.

32 Section 2. Paragraph (k) is added to subsection (1) of  
33 section 1014.04, Florida Statutes, to read:

34 1014.04 Parental rights.—

35 (1) All parental rights are reserved to the parent of a  
36 minor child in this state without obstruction or interference  
37 from the state, any of its political subdivisions, any other  
38 governmental entity, or any other institution, including, but  
39 not limited to, all of the following rights of a parent of a  
40 minor child in this state:

41 (k) The right, pursuant to s. 1002.20(21)(c), to audio or  
42 video record meetings with his or her child's individual  
43 education plan (IEP) team.

44 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.