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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to education for student inmates;
3	amending ss. 944.801 and 951.176, F.S.; authorizing
4	the Department of Corrections and each county,
5	respectively, to contract with Florida College System
6	institutions to provide education services for student
7	inmates; amending s. 1011.80, F.S.; authorizing the
8	expenditure of state funds for the education of state
9	and federal inmates who have a specified amount of
10	time remaining to serve on their sentences; providing
11	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. Subsection (7) of section 944.801, Florida
16	Statutes, is amended to read:
17	944.801 Education for state prisoners
18	(7) The department may contract with a district school
19	board, the Florida Virtual School, or a charter school
20	authorized to operate under s. 1002.33, or a Florida College
21	System institution to provide education services in the
22	Correctional Education Program. The education services may
23	include any educational, career, or vocational training that is
24	authorized by the department.
25	Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 951.176, Florida
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26	Statutes, is amended to read:
27	951.176 Provision of education
28	(1) Each county may contract with a district school board,
29	the Florida Virtual School, or a charter school authorized to
30	operate under s. 1002.33, or a Florida College System
31	institution to provide education services for inmates at county
32	detention facilities. The education services may include any
33	educational, career, or vocational training that is authorized
34	by the sheriff or chief correctional officer, or his or her
35	designee.
36	Section 3. Upon the expiration and reversion of the
37	amendment made to section 1011.80, Florida Statutes, pursuant to
38	section 25 of chapter 2021-37, Laws of Florida, paragraph (b) of
39	subsection (8) of section 1011.80, Florida Statutes, is amended
40	to read:
41	1011.80 Funds for operation of workforce education
42	programs
43	(8)
44	(b) State funds provided for the operation of
45	postsecondary workforce programs may not be expended for the
46	education of state <u>or federal</u> inmates with more than 24 months
47	or less of time remaining to serve on their sentences or federal
48	inmates.
49	Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

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