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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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House

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Senator Berman moved the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Between lines 301 and 302

insert:

Section 7. Paragraph (n) of subsection (2) of section  
1003.42, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1003.42 Required instruction.—

(2) Members of the instructional staff of the public  
schools, subject to the rules of the State Board of Education  
and the district school board, shall teach efficiently and  
faithfully, using the books and materials required that meet the



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12 highest standards for professionalism and historical accuracy,  
13 following the prescribed courses of study, and employing  
14 approved methods of instruction, the following:

15 (n)1. Comprehensive age-appropriate and developmentally  
16 appropriate K-12 health education that addresses concepts of  
17 community health, consumer health, environmental health, and  
18 family life, including:

- 19 a. Mental and emotional health.
- 20 b. Injury prevention and safety.
- 21 c. Internet safety.
- 22 d. Nutrition.
- 23 e. Personal health.
- 24 f. Prevention and control of disease.
- 25 g. Substance use and abuse.
- 26 h. Prevention of child sexual abuse, exploitation, and  
27 human trafficking.

28 2. The health education curriculum for students in grades 7  
29 through 12 shall include a teen dating violence and abuse  
30 component that includes, but is not limited to, the definition  
31 of dating violence and abuse, the warning signs of dating  
32 violence and abusive behavior, the characteristics of healthy  
33 relationships, measures to prevent and stop dating violence and  
34 abuse, and community resources available to victims of dating  
35 violence and abuse.

36 3. The health education curriculum for students in grades 6  
37 through 12 shall be medically accurate and developmentally  
38 appropriate and shall include an awareness of the benefits of  
39 sexual abstinence as the expected standard and the consequences  
40 of teenage pregnancy. The health education curriculum shall also



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41 include comprehensive sexual education, to be defined by  
42 department rule and consistent with guidelines and best  
43 practices determined by the federal Centers for Disease Control  
44 and Prevention.

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46 The State Board of Education is encouraged to adopt standards  
47 and pursue assessment of the requirements of this subsection. A  
48 character development program that incorporates the values of  
49 the recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor and that is  
50 offered as part of a social studies, English Language Arts, or  
51 other schoolwide character building and veteran awareness  
52 initiative meets the requirements of paragraphs (s) and (t).

53 Section 8. Subsection (2) of section 1003.46, Florida  
54 Statutes, is amended to read:

55 1003.46 Health education; instruction in acquired immune  
56 deficiency syndrome.—

57 (2) Throughout instruction in acquired immune deficiency  
58 syndrome, sexually transmitted diseases, or health education,  
59 when such instruction and course material contains instruction  
60 in human sexuality, a school shall:

61 (a) Teach abstinence from sexual activity outside of  
62 marriage as the expected standard for all school-age students  
63 while teaching the benefits of monogamous heterosexual marriage.

64 (b) Emphasize that abstinence from sexual activity is a  
65 certain way to avoid out-of-wedlock pregnancy, sexually  
66 transmitted diseases, including acquired immune deficiency  
67 syndrome, and other associated health problems.

68 (c) Include instruction on comprehensive sexual education,  
69 to be defined by department rule and consistent with guidelines



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70 and best practices determined by the federal Centers for Disease  
71 Control and Prevention.

72 (d) Teach that each student has the power to control  
73 personal behavior and encourage students to base actions on  
74 reasoning, self-esteem, and respect for others.

75 (e)~~(d)~~ Provide instruction and material that is medically  
76 accurate and developmentally appropriate for the grade and age  
77 of the student.

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

80 And the title is amended as follows:

81 Delete line 40

82 and insert:

83 Public Health; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.; revising  
84 requirements for the health education curriculum for  
85 students in grades 6 through 12; amending s. 1003.46,  
86 F.S.; revising requirements for schools that provide  
87 certain instruction on human sexuality; providing an  
88 appropriation; providing