A bill to be entitled
An act relating to upgrades to education facilities as
emergency shelters; amending s. 1013.372, F.S.;
exempting costs of less than $2 million associated
with certain upgrades to education facilities from
being included in certain cost per student station
calculations; specifying eligible updates that may be
made; prohibiting renewable energy source devices
located on the property of an education facility from
generating more than a specified amount of energy;
requiring costs associated with certain upgrades to be
consistent with prevailing market costs in the area
where the education facility is located; providing an
effective date.

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

Section 1. Present subsection (3) of section 1013.372,
Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (4), and a new
subsection (3) is added to that section, to read:

(3) Any costs of less than $2 million associated with
upgrades to an education facility which are designed to improve
the capabilities of the facility to provide enhanced hurricane
protection areas in accordance with the Florida Building Code
may not be included in calculating the total cost per student station for purposes of meeting the limits under s. 1013.64(6)(b).

(a) Eligible upgrades under this subsection are limited to those necessary for an area to be designated as an enhanced hurricane protection area; electrical and standby emergency power systems as provided in the Florida Building Code; renewable energy source devices as defined in s. 193.624(1); and energy storage devices. A renewable energy source device located on the property of an education facility may not generate a cumulative amount of energy during a calendar year which is greater than the energy that the facility consumes during the calendar year.

(b) All costs associated with upgrades made pursuant to this subsection must be consistent with prevailing market costs in the area where the education facility is located.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.