

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to online voter registration of
3 students in public high school; creating s. 97.05832,
4 F.S.; requiring each public high school to provide to
5 certain students a voter registration presentation
6 that demonstrates the steps required to register to
7 vote online and offers an opportunity for certain
8 students to register or preregister to vote using the
9 online voter registration system Internet website;
10 requiring the Division of Elections to prepare certain
11 materials and make such materials readily available to
12 each public high school; authorizing the Department of
13 State to adopt rules; creating s. 1003.4661, F.S.;
14 requiring each public high school to provide to
15 certain students a voter registration presentation;
16 providing requirements for the presentation; requiring
17 each public high school, and each public high school's
18 principal, or his or her designee, to provide certain
19 notice of the presentation; prohibiting a teacher from
20 requiring, pressuring, or otherwise incentivizing a
21 student to take certain actions; providing that
22 students must be allowed to opt out of the
23 presentation; requiring a teacher to use certain
24 materials; prohibiting a teacher presenting the voter
25 registration presentation from distributing,

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26 collecting, or otherwise handling physical voter
27 registration applications; authorizing the State Board
28 of Education to adopt rules; providing an effective
29 date.
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31 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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33 Section 1. Section 97.05832, Florida Statutes, is created
34 to read:

35 97.05832 Online voter registration in public high school
36 government classes.-

37 (1) Each public high school shall provide to each student
38 taking the United States Government course required under s.
39 1003.4282(3)(d) a voter registration presentation that consists
40 exclusively of a demonstration of the steps required to register
41 to vote online, including a visual demonstration of how to use
42 the online voter registration system Internet website created
43 pursuant to s. 97.0525(2), and an opportunity for each student
44 age 16 or older to register or preregister to vote, as
45 applicable, using such Internet website in accordance with s.
46 1003.4661.

47 (2) The Division of Elections shall prepare all materials
48 necessary for the presentation required by subsection (1),
49 including an instructional guide and a document entitled
50 "Frequently Asked Questions and Answers" for teacher use, and

51 shall make such materials readily available to each public high
52 school. The division shall provide translations of all materials
53 for use in ESOL, as defined in s. 1003.56(2)(c), and home
54 language, as defined in s. 1003.56(2)(b), instruction.

55 (3) The department may adopt rules as necessary to
56 implement this section.

57 Section 2. Section 1003.4661, Florida Statutes, is created
58 to read:

59 1003.4661 Online voter registration in public high school
60 government classes.—

61 (1) Each public high school shall provide to each student
62 taking the United States Government course required under s.
63 1003.4282(3)(d) the voter registration presentation required
64 under s. 97.05832. The presentation must be presented in a
65 location that provides each student with a separate computer
66 with Internet access. A student may be directed to the
67 Department of State's accessibility Internet website if an
68 available file viewer is necessary for such student to use the
69 online voter registration system Internet website created
70 pursuant to s. 97.0525(2).

71 (2) Each public high school shall provide to each student
72 taking the United States Government course required under s.
73 1003.4282(3)(d) notice through the school's online communication
74 system of the voter registration presentation 7 days before,
75 with reminder notices provided 1 and 2 days before, the

76 presentation occurs. Additionally, each public high school
77 principal, or his or her designee, shall provide reasonable
78 notice of the presentation to students and their parents through
79 e-mail and telephone messages. Each notice provided pursuant to
80 this subsection shall identify any information that may be
81 necessary to register or preregister to vote using the online
82 voter registration system Internet website, including, but not
83 limited to, the last four digits of the student's social
84 security number and the student's current and valid Florida
85 driver license number or identification number from a Florida
86 identification card issued under s. 322.051.

87 (3) A teacher may not require, pressure, or otherwise
88 incentivize a student to register or preregister to vote or to
89 designate a political party affiliation and shall allow each
90 student to register or preregister to vote using the online
91 voter registration system Internet website without interference.
92 Each student must be allowed to opt out of the voter
93 registration presentation.

94 (4) A teacher presenting the voter registration
95 presentation is required to use the materials provided by the
96 Division of Elections pursuant to s. 97.05832(2) and may not
97 supplement such materials or deviate from the language provided
98 by the division in such materials.

99 (5) All voter registration and preregistration conducted
100 pursuant to this section must occur online. A teacher presenting

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101 the voter registration presentation may not distribute, collect,
102 or otherwise handle physical voter registration applications.

103 (6) The State Board of Education may adopt rules as
104 necessary to implement this section.

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