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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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1 Representative Valdés offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with directory and title amendments)**

4 Remove lines 69-73 and insert:

5 (e) A charter school may limit the enrollment process only
6 to target the following student populations:

7 1. Students within specific age groups or grade levels.

8 2. Students considered at risk of dropping out of school
9 or academic failure. Such students shall include exceptional
10 education students.

11 3. Students enrolling in a charter school-in-the-workplace
12 or charter school-in-a-municipality established pursuant to
13 subsection (15).

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14 4. Students residing within a reasonable distance of the
15 charter school, as described in paragraph (20)(c). Such students
16 shall be subject to a random lottery and to the racial/ethnic
17 balance provisions described in subparagraph (7)(a)8. or any
18 federal provisions that require a school to achieve a
19 racial/ethnic balance reflective of the community it serves or
20 within the racial/ethnic range of other nearby public schools.

21 5. Students who meet reasonable academic, artistic, or
22 other eligibility standards established by the charter school
23 and included in the charter school application and charter or,
24 in the case of existing charter schools, standards that are
25 consistent with the school's mission and purpose. Such standards
26 shall be in accordance with current state law and practice in
27 public schools and may not discriminate against otherwise
28 qualified individuals. A school that limits enrollment for such
29 purposes must place a student on a progress monitoring plan for
30 at least one semester before dismissing such student from the
31 school.

32 6. Students articulating from one charter school to
33 another pursuant to an articulation agreement between the
34 charter schools that has been approved by the sponsor.

35 7. Students living in a development in which a developer,
36 including any affiliated business entity or charitable
37 foundation, contributes to the formation, acquisition,
38 construction, or operation of one or more charter schools or

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39 charter school facilities and related property in an amount
40 equal to or having a total appraised value of at least \$5
41 million to be used as charter schools to mitigate the
42 educational impact created by the development of new residential
43 dwelling units. Students living in the development are entitled
44 to 50 percent of the student stations in the charter schools.
45 The students who are eligible for enrollment are subject to a
46 random lottery, the racial/ethnic balance provisions, or any
47 federal provisions, as described in subparagraph 4. The
48 remainder of the student stations must be filled in accordance
49 with subparagraph 4.

50 (17) FUNDING.—Students enrolled in a charter school,
51 regardless of the sponsorship, shall be funded as if they are in
52 a basic program or a special program, the same as students
53 enrolled in other public schools in a school district. Funding
54 for a charter lab school shall be as provided in s. 1002.32.

55 (b)1. The basis for the agreement for funding students
56 enrolled in a charter school shall be the sum of the school
57 district's operating funds from the Florida Education Finance
58 Program as provided in s. 1011.62 and the General Appropriations
59 Act, including gross state and local funds, discretionary
60 lottery funds, and funds from the school district's current
61 operating discretionary millage levy; divided by total funded
62 weighted full-time equivalent students in the school district;
63 and multiplied by the weighted full-time equivalent students for

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64 the charter school. Charter schools whose students or programs
65 meet the eligibility criteria in law are entitled to their
66 proportionate share of categorical program funds included in the
67 total funds available in the Florida Education Finance Program
68 by the Legislature, including transportation, and the evidence-
69 based reading allocation. Total funding for each charter school
70 shall be recalculated during the year to reflect the revised
71 calculations under the Florida Education Finance Program by the
72 state and the actual weighted full-time equivalent students
73 reported by the charter school during the full-time equivalent
74 student survey periods designated by the Commissioner of
75 Education. For charter schools operated by a not-for-profit or
76 municipal entity, any unrestricted current and capital assets
77 identified in the charter school's annual financial audit may be
78 used for other charter schools operated by the not-for-profit or
79 municipal entity within the school district. For charter schools
80 operated by a not-for-profit entity, any unrestricted current or
81 capital assets identified in the charter school's annual audit
82 may be used for other charter schools operated by the not-for
83 profit entity which are located outside of the originating
84 charter school's school district, but within the state, through
85 an unforgiveable loan that must be repaid within 5 years to the
86 originating charter school by the receiving charter school.
87 Unrestricted current assets shall be used in accordance with s.

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88 1011.62, and any unrestricted capital assets shall be used in
89 accordance with s. 1013.62(2).

90 2.a. Students enrolled in a charter school sponsored by a
91 state university or Florida College System institution pursuant
92 to paragraph (5)(a) shall be funded as if they are in a basic
93 program or a special program in the school district. The basis
94 for funding these students is the sum of the total operating
95 funds from the Florida Education Finance Program for the school
96 district in which the school is located as provided in s.
97 1011.62 and the General Appropriations Act, including gross
98 state and local funds, discretionary lottery funds, and funds
99 from each school district's current operating discretionary
100 millage levy, divided by total funded weighted full-time
101 equivalent students in the district, and multiplied by the full-
102 time equivalent membership of the charter school. The Department
103 of Education shall develop a tool that each state university or
104 Florida College System institution sponsoring a charter school
105 shall use for purposes of calculating the funding amount for
106 each eligible charter school student. The total amount obtained
107 from the calculation must be appropriated from state funds in
108 the General Appropriations Act to the charter school.

109 b. Capital outlay funding for a charter school sponsored
110 by a state university or Florida College System institution
111 pursuant to paragraph (5)(a) is determined pursuant to s.
112 1013.62 and the General Appropriations Act.

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Remove lines 34-35 and insert:

Section 1. Paragraphs (d) and (e) of subsection (10), paragraphs (b) and (e) of subsection (17), paragraph (a) of subsection (20), and

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

Remove line 4 and insert:

preference to specified students; requiring a progress monitoring plan for certain students; authorizing certain charter schools to use specified assets for certain other charter schools through an unforgivable loan with specified terms; requiring charter

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