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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

The Committee on Education Pre-K -12 (Burgess) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 34 - 42

and insert:

online availability. The material must focus on social,
emotional, and physical effects of social media and promote best
practices in digital citizenship. For purposes of this
requirement, "digital citizenship" means the norms of
appropriate, responsible, and healthy behavior related to social
media, including digital literacy, ethics, etiquette, and



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11 security. The social media safety instruction must include:

12 1. The advantages of social media use. Such instruction may
13 only include career and resume building for future academic or
14 employment opportunities, sharing information with familiar
15 family and friends, and safely connecting with other users with
16 like interests.

17 2. The risks of social media, including, but not limited
18 to, social media addiction, publication of misinformation,
19 negative effects on mental health, and the permanent nature of
20 content shared online.

21 3. How to safely use social media, including, but not
22 limited to, maintaining personal security, preventing
23 oversharing of personal information, identifying predatory
24 behavior and human trafficking, and reporting suspicious
25 behavior.

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27 The State Board of Education is encouraged to adopt standards
28 and pursue assessment of the requirements of this subsection.
29 Instructional programming that incorporates the values of the
30 recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor and that is
31 offered as part of a social studies, English Language Arts, or
32 other schoolwide character building and veteran awareness
33 initiative meets the requirements of paragraph (t).

34 Section 2. Section 1006.1494, Florida Statutes, is created
35 to read:

36 1006.1494 Prohibiting student access to social media
37 platforms.—Each school district shall prohibit and prevent
38 students from accessing social media platforms through the use
39 of Internet access provided by the school district.



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And the title is amended as follows:

Delete lines 2 - 10

and insert:

An act relating to student use of social media platforms; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.; requiring members of the instructional staff of public schools to provide instruction on social media safety; defining the term "social media"; requiring the Department of Education to make social media safety instructional material available online; requiring district school boards to notify parents of the availability of the instructional material; providing requirements for the instructional material developed by the department; defining the term "digital citizenship"; specifying required components of the instructional material; creating s. 1006.1494, F.S.; requiring each school district to prohibit and prevent students from accessing social media platforms through the use of Internet access provided by the school district; providing an effective date.