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An act relating to health education in:

An act relating to health education information; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; requiring school districts to ensure information on their website relating to reproductive health and disease education is accurate and up-to-date within a specified timeframe; requiring school districts to send a notification to parents that such information is available within a specified timeframe; providing an effective date.

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

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Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section 1002.20, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1002.20 K-12 student and parent rights.—Parents of public school students must receive accurate and timely information regarding their child's academic progress and must be informed of ways they can help their child to succeed in school. K-12 students and their parents are afforded numerous statutory rights including, but not limited to, the following:

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(3) HEALTH ISSUES.—

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(d) Reproductive health and disease education.—A public school student whose parent makes written request to the school principal shall be exempted from the teaching of reproductive health or any disease, including HIV/AIDS, in accordance with s.

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- 1. Each school district shall, on the district's website homepage, notify parents of this right and the process to request an exemption. The homepage must include a link for a student's parent to access and review the instructional materials, as defined in s. 1006.29(2), used to teach the curriculum.
- 2. Each school district shall, at least 30 days before instruction on reproductive health and any disease, including HIV/AIDS, is given, ensure that the district website is accurate and up-to-date regarding the information specified in subparagraph 1., and shall send a notification to parents by physical or electronic means that such information is available.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.