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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 29 - 74  
and insert:  
for peaceful conflict resolution through the use of a conflict resolution curriculum selected by the Commissioner of Education.

(1) (a) Middle and high schools within this state shall apply to the Department of Education, in a format and by a date prescribed by the department, to participate in the program.

(b) The commissioner shall select five middle or high



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11 schools to participate in the program. To the extent possible,  
12 the commissioner shall select schools with a high rate of  
13 juvenile violence.

14 (c) The commissioner shall select a conflict resolution  
15 curriculum for use in the pilot program.

16 (d) The commissioner shall select a nonprofit organization  
17 capable of working with the department and participating schools  
18 to oversee the pilot program's implementation and to analyze the  
19 data resulting from the pilot program.

20 (2) A participating middle or high school shall:

21 (a) Implement the curriculum selected by the commissioner,  
22 focusing on skill-building without undermining the school's  
23 existing disciplinary framework to provide students with  
24 conflict resolution skills pertinent to their daily interactions  
25 and overall community health.

26 (b) Provide data and information requested by the selected  
27 nonprofit organization.

28 (c) Complete the pre-program and post-program survey  
29 created by the selected nonprofit organization.

30 (3) The selected nonprofit organization shall:

31 (a) Oversee implementation of the pilot program.

32 (b) Provide guidance to participating middle or high  
33 schools on implementing the conflict resolution curriculum into  
34 each such school's existing curriculum.

35 (c) Collect relevant data and information relating to the  
36 rates of juvenile violence in selected schools before the pilot  
37 program and the rates of such violence after implementation of  
38 the pilot program.

39 (d) Provide periodic updates to the department on the



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40 implementation of the pilot program.

41 (e) Create a pre-program and post-program survey that must  
42 be completed by school administrators and teachers at  
43 participating schools.

44 (4) Upon completion of the pilot program, the selected  
45 nonprofit organization shall provide a report to the Governor,  
46 the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of  
47 Representatives, and the department, which must include:

48 (a) The number of students enrolled at participating  
49 schools.

50 (b) The rates of juvenile violence in participating schools  
51 before the pilot program.

52 (c) The rates of juvenile violence in participating schools  
53 after implementation of the pilot program.

54 (d) The findings of the pre-program and post-program  
55 survey.

56 (e) Recommendations for the inclusion of the curriculum of

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59 And the title is amended as follows:

60 Delete lines 9 - 13

61 and insert:

62 select a certain number of middle or high schools to  
63 participate in the pilot program; requiring the  
64 commissioner to select a conflict resolution  
65 curriculum for use in the program; requiring the  
66 commissioner to select a nonprofit organization to  
67 implement the pilot program; providing participating  
68 middle or high schools and the nonprofit organization