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Senator Calatayud moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. Paragraphs (d) and (f) of subsection (2) of
section 11.45, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

11.45 Definitions; duties; authorities; reports; rules.—

(2) DUTIES.—The Auditor General shall:

(d) Annually conduct financial audits of the accounts and
records of all district school boards in counties with
populations of less ~~fewer~~ than 150,000, according to the most



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12 recent federal decennial statewide census; and the Florida
13 School for the Deaf and the Blind; ~~and the Florida School for~~
14 ~~Competitive Academies.~~

15 (f) At least every 3 years, conduct operational audits of
16 the accounts and records of state agencies, state universities,
17 state colleges, district school boards, the Florida Clerks of
18 Court Operations Corporation, water management districts, and
19 the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind; ~~and the Florida~~
20 ~~School for Competitive Academies.~~

21
22 The Auditor General shall perform his or her duties
23 independently but under the general policies established by the
24 Legislative Auditing Committee. This subsection does not limit
25 the Auditor General's discretionary authority to conduct other
26 audits or engagements of governmental entities as authorized in
27 subsection (3).

28 Section 2. Subsection (5) is added to section 11.51,
29 Florida Statutes, to read:

30 11.51 Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government
31 Accountability.—

32 (5) The Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government
33 Accountability may develop contracts or agreements with
34 institutions in the State University System to use the expertise
35 of state university faculty and research staff to provide
36 assistance in analysis and evaluative research.

37 Section 3. Subsection (3) of section 110.211, Florida
38 Statutes, is amended to read:

39 110.211 Recruitment.—

40 (3) Recruiting shall seek efficiency in advertising and may



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41 be assisted by a contracted vendor responsible for maintenance
42 of the personnel data. Recruiting may include the use of an
43 apprenticeship program as defined in s. 446.021(6). Open
44 competition is not required for a position that will be filled
45 by a person who has successfully completed an apprenticeship
46 program with the hiring agency.

47 Section 4. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
48 125.901, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

49 125.901 Children's services; independent special district;
50 council; powers, duties, and functions; public records
51 exemption.—

52 (1) Each county may by ordinance create an independent
53 special district, as defined in ss. 189.012 and 200.001(8)(e),
54 to provide funding for children's services throughout the county
55 in accordance with this section. The boundaries of such district
56 shall be coterminous with the boundaries of the county. The
57 county governing body shall obtain approval at a general
58 election, as defined in s. 97.021, by a majority vote of those
59 electors voting on the question, to annually levy ad valorem
60 taxes which shall not exceed the maximum millage rate authorized
61 by this section. Any district created pursuant to the provisions
62 of this subsection shall be required to levy and fix millage
63 subject to the provisions of s. 200.065. Once such millage is
64 approved by the electorate, the district shall not be required
65 to seek approval of the electorate in future years to levy the
66 previously approved millage. However, a referendum to increase
67 the millage rate previously approved by the electors must be
68 held at a general election, and the referendum may be held only
69 once during the 48-month period preceding the effective date of



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70 the increased millage.

71 (b) However, any county as defined in s. 125.011(1) may
72 instead have a governing body composed ~~consisting~~ of 33 members,
73 including the superintendent of schools, or his or her designee;
74 two representatives of public postsecondary education
75 institutions located in the county; the county manager or the
76 equivalent county officer, or his or her designee; the district
77 administrator from the appropriate district of the Department of
78 Children and Families, or the administrator's designee who is a
79 member of the Senior Management Service or the Selected Exempt
80 Service; the director of the county health department or the
81 director's designee; the state attorney for the county or the
82 state attorney's designee; the chief judge assigned to juvenile
83 cases, or another juvenile judge who is the chief judge's
84 designee and who shall sit as a voting member of the board,
85 except that the judge may not vote or participate in setting ad
86 valorem taxes under this section; an individual who is selected
87 by the board of the local United Way or its equivalent; a member
88 of a locally recognized faith-based coalition, selected by that
89 coalition; a member of the local chamber of commerce, selected
90 by that chamber or, if more than one chamber exists within the
91 county, a person selected by a coalition of the local chambers;
92 a member of the early learning coalition, selected by that
93 coalition; a representative of a labor organization or union
94 active in the county; ~~a member of a local alliance or coalition~~
95 ~~engaged in cross-system planning for health and social service~~
96 ~~delivery in the county, selected by that alliance or coalition;~~
97 a member of the local Parent-Teachers Association/Parent-
98 Teacher-Student Association, selected by that association; a



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99 youth representative selected by the local school system's
100 student government; a local school board member appointed by the
101 chair of the school board; the mayor of the county or the
102 mayor's designee; one member of the county governing body,
103 appointed by the chair of that body; a member of the state
104 Legislature who represents residents of the county, selected by
105 the chair of the local legislative delegation; an elected
106 official representing the residents of a municipality in the
107 county, selected by the county municipal league; and five 4
108 members-at-large, appointed to the council by the majority of
109 sitting council members. The remaining seven members shall be
110 appointed by the Governor in accordance with procedures set
111 forth in paragraph (a), except that the Governor may remove a
112 member for cause or upon the written petition of the council.
113 Appointments by the Governor must, to the extent reasonably
114 possible, represent the geographic and demographic makeup
115 ~~diversity~~ of the population of the county. Members ~~who are~~
116 appointed to the council by reason of their position are not
117 subject to the length of terms and limits on consecutive terms
118 as provided in this section. The remaining appointed members of
119 the governing body shall be appointed to serve 3-year ~~2-year~~
120 terms, except that those members appointed by the Governor shall
121 be appointed to serve 4-year terms, and the youth representative
122 and the legislative delegate shall be appointed to serve 1-year
123 terms. A member may be reappointed; however, a member may not
124 serve for more than three consecutive terms. A member is
125 eligible to be appointed again after a 2-year hiatus from the
126 council.

127 Section 5. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section



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128 216.251, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
129 216.251 Salary appropriations; limitations.—
130 (2) (a) The salary for each position not specifically
131 indicated in the appropriations acts shall be as provided in one
132 of the following subparagraphs:
133 1. Within the classification and pay plans provided for in
134 chapter 110.
135 2. Within the classification and pay plans established by
136 the Board of Trustees for the Florida School for the Deaf and
137 the Blind of the Department of Education and approved by the
138 State Board of Education for academic and academic
139 administrative personnel.
140 3. Within the classification and pay plan approved and
141 administered by the Board of Governors or the designee of the
142 board for those positions in the State University System.
143 4. Within the classification and pay plan approved by the
144 President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
145 Representatives, as the case may be, for employees of the
146 Legislature.
147 5. Within the approved classification and pay plan for the
148 judicial branch.
149 ~~6. Within the classification and pay plans established by~~
150 ~~the Board of Trustees for the Florida School for Competitive~~
151 ~~Academics of the Department of Education and approved by the~~
152 ~~State Board of Education for academic and academic~~
153 ~~administrative personnel.~~
154 Section 6. Subsections (3) and (4) of section 288.036,
155 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
156 288.036 Ocean economy development.—



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157 (3) The Office of Ocean Economy shall:

158 (a) Develop and undertake activities and strategies with a
159 focus on research and development, technological innovation,
160 emerging industries, strategic business recruitment, public and
161 private funding opportunities, and workforce training and
162 education to promote and stimulate the ocean economy.

163 (b)1. Collaborate ~~Foster relationships~~ and coordinate with
164 state universities, private universities, career centers, and
165 Florida College System institutions, including the College of
166 the Florida Keys, to periodically survey ~~surveying~~ the
167 development of academic research relating to the ocean economy
168 across all disciplines and facilitating the transfer of
169 innovative technology into marketable goods and services. ~~The~~
170 ~~office shall encourage collaboration between state universities~~
171 ~~and Florida College System institutions that have overlapping~~
172 ~~areas of academic research.~~

173 2. Maintain ~~Include~~ and update on the office's website
174 information related to:

175 a. An inventory of current research and current
176 collaborations, including contact information; and

177 b. Any available resources for research and technology
178 development, including financial opportunities.

179 (c) Collaborate with relevant industries to identify
180 economic challenges that may be solved through innovation in the
181 ocean economy, including commercializing or otherwise
182 facilitating public access to academic research and resources,
183 removing governmental barriers, strengthening the workforce, and
184 maximizing access to financial or other opportunities for growth
185 and development.



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186 (d) Develop and facilitate a pipeline for innovative ideas
187 and strategies to be created, developed, researched,
188 commercialized, and financed. This includes promotion and
189 coordination of industry collaboration, academic research,
190 accelerator programs, training and technical assistance, and
191 startup or second-stage funding opportunities.

192 (e) Maintain and update on the office's website:

193 1. Reports and data on the number, growth, and average
194 wages of jobs included in the ocean economy; the impacts on the
195 number, growth, and development of businesses in the ocean
196 economy; and the collaboration, transition, or adoption of
197 innovation and research into new, viable ideas employed in the
198 ocean economy.

199 2. A current inventory of programs related to the ocean
200 economy, an evaluation of additional opportunities to earn
201 credentials, and the institutions or training providers where
202 such credentials may be earned.

203 (f) Educate other state and local entities on the interests
204 of the ocean economy and how such entities may positively
205 address environmental issues while simultaneously considering
206 the economic impact of their policies.

207 (g) Communicate the state's role as an integral component
208 of the ocean economy by promoting the state on national and
209 international platforms and other appropriate forums as the
210 premier destination for convening on pertinent subject matters.

211 (h) Collaborate with public and private educational and
212 industry organizations to make recommendations:

213 1. For strengthening employment opportunities in:

214 a. Commercial fishing;



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215 b. Fisheries and aquaculture, marine and freshwater;
216 c. Processing and preserving fish, crustaceans, and
217 mollusks;
218 d. Shipbuilding and repair; and
219 e. Shipping, water transport such as sea and coastal and
220 inland water transportation of both freight and passengers,
221 ports, and related services and support activities.
222 2. Regarding the expansion of existing maritime programs
223 and the addition of new programs and strategies for a public
224 awareness campaign.
225 3. To increase the availability of dual enrollment,
226 preapprenticeship and apprenticeship, and work-study programs at
227 both public and private institutions.
228 4. For aligning the regulatory framework for fishing and
229 boat operations with the demand for personnel through
230 consultation with the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.
231 (4) By August 1, 2025, and each August 1 thereafter, the
232 office shall provide to the Board of Governors, the Governor,
233 the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of
234 Representatives and post on its website a detailed report on
235 ~~demonstrating~~ the economic benefits of the office and the
236 development of emerging ocean economy industries. By August 1,
237 2026, the report must include the recommendations in paragraph
238 (3) (h).
239 Section 7. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section
240 435.12, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
241 435.12 Care Provider Background Screening Clearinghouse.—
242 (3) (a) Employees of each district unit under s. 1001.30,
243 special district units under s. 1011.24, the Florida School for



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244 the Deaf and the Blind under s. 1002.36, the Florida Virtual
245 School under s. 1002.37, virtual instruction programs under s.
246 1002.45, charter schools under s. 1002.33, hope operators under
247 s. 1002.333, private schools participating in an educational
248 scholarship program established pursuant to chapter 1002, and
249 alternative schools under s. 1008.341 must be rescreened in
250 compliance with the following schedule:

251 1. Employees for whom the last screening was conducted on
252 or before June 30, 2021, must be rescreened by December 1 ~~June~~
253 ~~30~~, 2025.

254 2. Employees for whom the last screening was conducted
255 between July 1, 2021, and June 30, 2022, must be rescreened by
256 December 1 ~~June 30~~, 2026.

257 3. Employees for whom the last screening was conducted
258 between July 1, 2022, and December 31, 2023, must be rescreened
259 by December 1 ~~June 30~~, 2027.

260 Section 8. Subsection (2) of section 446.032, Florida
261 Statutes, is amended to read:

262 446.032 General duties of the department for apprenticeship
263 training.—The department shall:

264 (2) By November 30 ~~September 1~~ of each year, publish an
265 annual report on apprenticeship and preapprenticeship programs.
266 The report must be published on the department's website and, at
267 a minimum, include all of the following:

268 (a) A list of registered apprenticeship and
269 preapprenticeship programs, sorted by local educational agency,
270 as defined in s. 1004.02(18), and apprenticeship sponsor, under
271 s. 446.071.

272 (b) A detailed summary of each local educational agency's



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273 expenditure of funds for apprenticeship and preapprenticeship
274 programs, including:

275 1. The total amount of funds received for apprenticeship
276 and preapprenticeship programs.

277 2. The total amount of funds allocated by training
278 provider, program, and occupation.

279 3. The total amount of funds expended for administrative
280 costs by training provider, program, and occupation.

281 4. The total amount of funds expended for instructional
282 costs by training provider, program, and occupation.

283 (c) The number of apprentices and preapprentices per trade
284 and occupation.

285 (d) The percentage of apprentices and preapprentices who
286 complete their respective programs in the appropriate timeframe.

287 (e) Information and resources related to applications for
288 new apprenticeship programs and technical assistance and
289 requirements for potential applicants.

290 (f) Documentation of activities conducted by the department
291 to promote apprenticeship and preapprenticeship programs through
292 public engagement, community-based partnerships, and other
293 initiatives and the outcomes of such activities and their impact
294 on establishing or expanding apprenticeship and
295 preapprenticeship programs.

296 (g) Retention and completion rates of participants
297 disaggregated by training provider, program, and occupation.

298 (h) Wage progression of participants as demonstrated by
299 starting, exit, and postapprenticeship wages at 1 and 5 years
300 after participants exit the program.

301 Section 9. Subsection (2) of section 447.203, Florida



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302 Statutes, is amended to read:

303 447.203 Definitions.—As used in this part:

304 (2) "Public employer" or "employer" means the state or any
305 county, municipality, or special district or any subdivision or
306 agency thereof which the commission determines has sufficient
307 legal distinctiveness properly to carry out the functions of a
308 public employer. With respect to all public employees determined
309 by the commission as properly belonging to a statewide
310 bargaining unit composed of State Career Service System
311 employees or Selected Professional Service employees, the
312 Governor is deemed to be the public employer; and the Board of
313 Governors of the State University System, or the board's
314 designee, is deemed to be the public employer with respect to
315 all public employees of each constituent state university. The
316 board of trustees of a community college is deemed to be the
317 public employer with respect to all employees of the community
318 college. The district school board is deemed to be the public
319 employer with respect to all employees of the school district.
320 The Board of Trustees of the Florida School for the Deaf and the
321 Blind is deemed to be the public employer with respect to the
322 academic and academic administrative personnel of the Florida
323 School for the Deaf and the Blind. ~~The Board of Trustees of the~~
324 ~~Florida School for Competitive Academics is deemed to be the~~
325 ~~public employer with respect to the academic and academic~~
326 ~~administrative personnel of the Florida School for Competitive~~
327 ~~Academics.~~ The Governor is deemed to be the public employer with
328 respect to all employees in the Correctional Education Program
329 of the Department of Corrections established pursuant to s.
330 944.801.



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331 Section 10. Subsection (7) of section 1000.04, Florida
332 Statutes, is amended to read:

333 1000.04 Components for the delivery of public education
334 within the Florida Early Learning-20 education system.—Florida’s
335 Early Learning-20 education system provides for the delivery of
336 early learning and public education through publicly supported
337 and controlled K-12 schools, Florida College System
338 institutions, state universities and other postsecondary
339 educational institutions, other educational institutions, and
340 other educational services as provided or authorized by the
341 Constitution and laws of the state.

342 ~~(7) THE FLORIDA SCHOOL FOR COMPETITIVE ACADEMICS.—The~~
343 ~~Florida School for Competitive Academics is a component of the~~
344 ~~delivery of public education within Florida’s Early Learning-20~~
345 ~~education system.~~

346 Section 11. Paragraph (j) of subsection (5) of section
347 1000.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

348 1000.21 Systemwide definitions.—As used in the Florida
349 Early Learning-20 Education Code:

350 (5) “Florida College System institution” except as
351 otherwise specifically provided, includes all of the following
352 public postsecondary educational institutions in the Florida
353 College System and any branch campuses, centers, or other
354 affiliates of the institution:

355 (j) Hillsborough Community College, which serves
356 Hillsborough County.

357 Section 12. Effective upon this act becoming a law, section
358 1000.40, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

359 1000.40 Future repeal of the Interstate Compact on



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360 Educational Opportunity for Military Children.—Sections 1000.36,
361 1000.361, 1000.38, and 1000.39 and this section shall stand
362 repealed on July 1, 2028 ~~2025~~, unless reviewed and saved from
363 repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

364 Section 13. Subsection (5) of section 1001.03, Florida
365 Statutes, is amended to read:

366 1001.03 Specific powers of State Board of Education.—

367 (5) IDENTIFICATION OF HIGH-DEMAND CRITICAL TEACHER NEEDS
368 ~~SHORTAGE~~ AREAS.—The State Board of Education shall identify
369 high-demand critical teacher needs shortage areas pursuant to s.
370 1012.07.

371 Section 14. Paragraph (e) of subsection (4) of section
372 1001.20, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

373 1001.20 Department under direction of state board.—

374 (4) The Department of Education shall establish the
375 following offices within the Office of the Commissioner of
376 Education which shall coordinate their activities with all other
377 divisions and offices:

378 (e) *Office of Inspector General*.—Organized using existing
379 resources and funds and responsible for promoting
380 accountability, efficiency, and effectiveness and detecting
381 fraud and abuse within school districts, the Florida School for
382 the Deaf and the Blind, ~~the Florida School for Competitive~~
383 ~~Academics~~, and Florida College System institutions in Florida.
384 If the Commissioner of Education determines that a district
385 school board, the Board of Trustees for the Florida School for
386 the Deaf and the Blind, ~~the Board of Trustees for the Florida~~
387 ~~School for Competitive Academics~~, or a Florida College System
388 institution board of trustees is unwilling or unable to address



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389 substantiated allegations made by any person relating to waste,
390 fraud, or financial mismanagement within the school district,
391 the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, ~~the Florida~~
392 ~~School for Competitive Academics,~~ or the Florida College System
393 institution, the office must conduct, coordinate, or request
394 investigations into such substantiated allegations. The office
395 shall investigate allegations or reports of possible fraud or
396 abuse against a district school board made by any member of the
397 Cabinet; the presiding officer of either house of the
398 Legislature; a chair of a substantive or appropriations
399 committee with jurisdiction; or a member of the board for which
400 an investigation is sought. The office may investigate
401 allegations or reports of suspected violations of a student's,
402 parent's, or teacher's rights. The office shall have access to
403 all information and personnel necessary to perform its duties
404 and shall have all of its current powers, duties, and
405 responsibilities authorized in s. 20.055.

406 Section 15. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
407 1001.452, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

408 1001.452 District and school advisory councils.—

409 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—

410 (a) The district school board shall establish an advisory
411 council for each school in the district and shall develop
412 procedures for the election and appointment of advisory council
413 members. Each school advisory council shall include in its name
414 the words "school advisory council." The school advisory council
415 shall be the sole body responsible for final decisionmaking at
416 the school relating to implementation of ss. 1001.42(18) and
417 1008.345. A majority of the members of each school advisory



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418 council must be persons who are not employed by the school
419 district. Each advisory council shall be composed of the
420 principal and an appropriately balanced number of teachers,
421 education support employees, students, parents, and other
422 business and community citizens who are representative of the
423 ethnic, racial, and economic community served by the school.
424 Career center and high school advisory councils shall include
425 students, and middle and junior high school advisory councils
426 may include students. School advisory councils of career centers
427 and adult education centers are not required to include parents
428 as members. Council members representing teachers, education
429 support employees, students, and parents shall be elected by
430 their respective peer groups at the school in a fair and
431 equitable manner as follows:

- 432 1. Teachers shall be elected by teachers.
- 433 2. Education support employees shall be elected by
434 education support employees.
- 435 3. Students shall be elected by students.
- 436 4. Parents shall be elected by parents.

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438 The district school board shall establish procedures to be used
439 by schools in selecting business and community members which
440 ~~that~~ include means of ensuring wide notice of vacancies and of
441 taking input on possible members from local business, chambers
442 of commerce, community and civic organizations and groups, and
443 the public at large. The district school board shall review the
444 membership composition of each advisory council. If the district
445 school board determines that the membership elected by the
446 school is not representative of the ethnic, racial, and economic



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447 community served by the school, the district school board must
448 ~~shall~~ appoint additional members to achieve proper
449 representation. ~~The commissioner shall determine if schools have~~
450 ~~maximized their efforts to include on their advisory councils~~
451 ~~minority persons and persons of lower socioeconomic status.~~
452 Although schools are strongly encouraged to establish school
453 advisory councils, the district school board of any school
454 district that has a student population of 10,000 or less ~~fewer~~
455 may establish a district advisory council which includes at
456 least one duly elected teacher from each school in the district.
457 For the purposes of school advisory councils and district
458 advisory councils, the term "teacher" includes classroom
459 teachers, certified student services personnel, and media
460 specialists. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "education
461 support employee" means any person employed by a school who is
462 not defined as instructional or administrative personnel
463 pursuant to s. 1012.01 and whose duties require 20 or more hours
464 in each normal working week.

465 Section 16. Section 1001.68, Florida Statutes, is created
466 to read:

467 1001.68 State college regional consortium service
468 organizations.—In order to create effectiveness and efficiency
469 of small institutions in the Florida College System which serve
470 rural communities:

471 (1) Colleges with 5,000 or fewer full-time equivalent
472 students may enter into cooperative agreements to form a
473 regional consortium service organization. Each regional
474 consortium service organization shall, at a minimum, provide
475 three of the following services: grant procurement;



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476 institutional research and reporting; risk management;
477 professional development for faculty and staff; leadership
478 support; information technology and cybersecurity training;
479 faculty and staff recruitment; workforce development programs;
480 cooperative purchasing; administrative services; or enrollment
481 management services.

482 (2) Each regional consortium service organization must be
483 governed by a board of directors composed of the presidents of
484 the respective member colleges.

485 Section 17. Paragraph (d) of subsection (5) of section
486 1001.706, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

487 1001.706 Powers and duties of the Board of Governors.—

488 (5) POWERS AND DUTIES RELATING TO ACCOUNTABILITY.—

489 (d) The Board of Governors shall annually require a state
490 university prior to registration to provide each enrolled
491 student electronic access to the economic security report of
492 employment and earning outcomes prepared by the Department of
493 Commerce pursuant to s. 445.07. ~~In addition, the Board of~~
494 ~~Governors shall require a state university to provide each~~
495 ~~student electronic access to the following information each year~~
496 ~~prior to registration using the data described in s. 1008.39:~~

497 ~~1. The top 25 percent of degrees reported by the university~~
498 ~~in terms of highest full-time job placement and highest average~~
499 ~~annualized earnings in the year after earning the degree.~~

500 ~~2. The bottom 10 percent of degrees reported by the~~
501 ~~university in terms of lowest full-time job placement and lowest~~
502 ~~average annualized earnings in the year after earning the~~
503 ~~degree.~~

504 Section 18. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section



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505 1001.7065, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

506 1001.7065 Preeminent state research universities program.—

507 (2) ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH EXCELLENCE STANDARDS.—The
508 following academic and research excellence standards are
509 established for the preeminent state research universities
510 program and shall be reported annually in the Board of Governors
511 Accountability Plan:

512 (a) An average weighted grade point average of 4.0 or
513 higher on a 4.0 scale and an average SAT score of 1200 or higher
514 on a 1600-point scale or an average ACT score of 25 or higher on
515 a 36 score scale, using the latest published national
516 concordance table developed jointly by the College Board and
517 ACT, Inc., or an average Classic Learning Test score of 83 or
518 higher on a 120 score scale, for fall semester incoming
519 freshmen, as reported annually.

520 Section 19. Paragraph (o) of subsection (3) and paragraph
521 (c) of subsection (4) of section 1002.20, Florida Statutes, are
522 amended to read:

523 1002.20 K-12 student and parent rights.—Parents of public
524 school students must receive accurate and timely information
525 regarding their child's academic progress and must be informed
526 of ways they can help their child to succeed in school. K-12
527 students and their parents are afforded numerous statutory
528 rights including, but not limited to, the following:

529 (3) HEALTH ISSUES.—

530 (o) Emergency opioid antagonist ~~Naloxone~~ use and supply.—

531 1. A public school may purchase a supply of an emergency
532 the opioid antagonist approved by the United States Food and
533 Drug Administration (FDA) ~~naloxone~~ from a wholesale distributor



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534 as defined in s. 499.003 or may enter into an arrangement with a
535 wholesale distributor or manufacturer as defined in s. 499.003
536 for an FDA-approved emergency opioid antagonist naloxone at
537 fair-market, free, or reduced prices for use in the event that a
538 student has an opioid overdose. The FDA-approved emergency
539 opioid antagonist naloxone must be maintained in a secure
540 location on the public school's premises.

541 2. A public school district employee who administers an
542 approved emergency opioid antagonist to a student in compliance
543 with ss. 381.887 and 768.13 is immune from civil liability under
544 s. 768.13.

545 (4) DISCIPLINE.—

546 (c) *Corporal punishment.*—

547 1. In accordance with ~~the provisions of~~ s. 1003.32,
548 corporal punishment of a public school student may only be
549 administered by a teacher or school principal within guidelines
550 of the school principal and according to district school board
551 policy. Another adult must be present and must be informed in
552 the student's presence of the reason for the punishment. Upon
553 request, the teacher or school principal must provide the parent
554 with a written explanation of the reason for the punishment and
555 the name of the other adult who was present.

556 2. A district school board having a policy authorizing the
557 use of corporal punishment as a form of discipline shall include
558 in such policy a requirement that a parent provide consent for
559 the school to administer corporal punishment. The district
560 school board policy may require such consent for the school
561 year, or before each administration. The district school board
562 shall review its policy on corporal punishment once every 3



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563 years during a district school board meeting held pursuant to s.
564 1001.372. The district school board shall take public testimony
565 at the board meeting. If such board meeting is not held in
566 accordance with this subparagraph, the portion of the district
567 school board's policy authorizing corporal punishment expires.

568 Section 20. Paragraph (b) of subsection (16) of section
569 1002.33, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

570 1002.33 Charter schools.—

571 (16) EXEMPTION FROM STATUTES.—

572 (b) Additionally, a charter school shall be in compliance
573 with the following statutes:

574 1. Section 286.011, relating to public meetings and
575 records, public inspection, and criminal and civil penalties.

576 2. Chapter 119, relating to public records.

577 3. Section 1003.03, relating to the maximum class size,
578 except that the calculation for compliance pursuant to s.
579 1003.03 shall be the average at the school level.

580 4. Section 1012.22(1)(c), relating to compensation and
581 salary schedules.

582 5. Section 1012.33(5), relating to workforce reductions.

583 6. Section 1012.335, relating to contracts with
584 instructional personnel hired on or after July 1, 2011.

585 7. Section 1012.34, relating to the substantive
586 requirements for performance evaluations for instructional
587 personnel and school administrators.

588 8. Section 1006.12, relating to safe-school officers.

589 9. Section 1006.07(7), relating to threat management teams.

590 10. Section 1006.07(9), relating to School Environmental
591 Safety Incident Reporting.



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592 11. Section 1006.07(10), relating to reporting of
593 involuntary examinations.

594 12. Section 1006.1493, relating to the Florida Safe Schools
595 Assessment Tool.

596 13. Section 1006.07(6)(d), relating to adopting an active
597 assailant response plan.

598 14. Section 943.082(4)(b), relating to the mobile
599 suspicious activity reporting tool.

600 15. Section 1012.584, relating to youth mental health
601 awareness and assistance training.

602 16. Section 1001.42(4)(f)2., relating to middle school and
603 high school start times. A charter school-in-the-workplace is
604 exempt from this requirement.

605 17. Section 1002.20(4)(c), relating to school corporal
606 punishment.

607 Section 21. Section 1002.351, Florida Statutes, is
608 repealed.

609 Section 22. Subsection (6) of section 1002.394, Florida
610 Statutes, is amended to read:

611 1002.394 The Family Empowerment Scholarship Program.—

612 (6) SCHOLARSHIP PROHIBITIONS.—A student is not eligible for
613 a Family Empowerment Scholarship while he or she is:

614 (a) Enrolled full time in a public school, including, but
615 not limited to, the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind,
616 the College-Preparatory Boarding Academy, ~~the Florida School for~~
617 ~~Competitive Academies,~~ the Florida Virtual School, the Florida
618 Scholars Academy, a developmental research school authorized
619 under s. 1002.32, or a charter school authorized under this
620 chapter. For purposes of this paragraph, a 3- or 4-year-old



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621 child who receives services funded through the Florida Education
622 Finance Program is considered to be a student enrolled in a
623 public school;

624 (b) Enrolled in a school operating for the purpose of
625 providing educational services to youth in a Department of
626 Juvenile Justice commitment program;

627 (c) Receiving any other educational scholarship pursuant to
628 this chapter. However, an eligible public school student
629 receiving a scholarship under s. 1002.411 may receive a
630 scholarship for transportation pursuant to subparagraph
631 (4) (a)2.;

632 (d) Not having regular and direct contact with his or her
633 private school teachers pursuant to s. 1002.421(1) (i), unless he
634 or she is eligible pursuant to paragraph (3) (b) and enrolled in
635 the participating private school's transition-to-work program
636 pursuant to subsection (16) or a home education program pursuant
637 to s. 1002.41;

638 (e) Participating in a private tutoring program pursuant to
639 s. 1002.43 unless he or she is determined eligible pursuant to
640 paragraph (3) (b); or

641 (f) Participating in virtual instruction pursuant to s.
642 1002.455 that receives state funding pursuant to the student's
643 participation.

644 Section 23. Subsection (4) of section 1002.395, Florida
645 Statutes, is amended to read:

646 1002.395 Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program.—

647 (4) SCHOLARSHIP PROHIBITIONS.—A student is not eligible for
648 a scholarship while he or she is:

649 (a) Enrolled full time in a public school, including, but



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650 not limited to, the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind,
651 the College-Preparatory Boarding Academy, ~~the Florida School for~~
652 ~~Competitive Academics~~, the Florida Virtual School, the Florida
653 Scholars Academy, a developmental research school authorized
654 under s. 1002.32, or a charter school authorized under this
655 chapter. For purposes of this paragraph, a 3- or 4-year-old
656 child who receives services funded through the Florida Education
657 Finance Program is considered a student enrolled full time in a
658 public school;

659 (b) Enrolled in a school operating for the purpose of
660 providing educational services to youth in a Department of
661 Juvenile Justice commitment program;

662 (c) Receiving any other educational scholarship pursuant to
663 this chapter. However, an eligible public school student
664 receiving a scholarship under s. 1002.411 may receive a
665 scholarship for transportation pursuant to subparagraph
666 (6) (d) 4.;

667 (d) Not having regular and direct contact with his or her
668 private school teachers pursuant to s. 1002.421(1) (i) unless he
669 or she is enrolled in a personalized education program;

670 (e) Participating in a home education program as defined in
671 s. 1002.01(1);

672 (f) Participating in a private tutoring program pursuant to
673 s. 1002.43 unless he or she is enrolled in a personalized
674 education program; or

675 (g) Participating in virtual instruction pursuant to s.
676 1002.455 that receives state funding pursuant to the student's
677 participation.

678 Section 24. Paragraph (c) is added to subsection (19) of



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679 section 1002.42, Florida Statutes, to read:

680 1002.42 Private schools.—

681 (19) FACILITIES.—

682 (c) A private school located in a county with four
683 incorporated municipalities may construct new facilities, which
684 may be temporary or permanent, on property purchased from or
685 owned or leased by a library, community service organization,
686 museum, performing arts venue, theater, cinema, or church under
687 s. 170.201, which is or was actively used as such within 5 years
688 of any executed agreement with a private school; any land owned
689 by a Florida College System institution or state university; and
690 any land recently used to house a school or child care facility
691 licensed under s. 402.305 under its preexisting zoning and land
692 use designations without rezoning or obtaining a special
693 exception or a land use change and without complying with any
694 mitigation requirements or conditions. The new facility must be
695 located on property used solely for purposes described in this
696 paragraph and must meet applicable state and local health,
697 safety, and welfare laws, codes, and rules, including firesafety
698 and building safety.

699 Section 25. Paragraphs (e), (m), and (p) of subsection (1)
700 of section 1002.421, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

701 1002.421 State school choice scholarship program
702 accountability and oversight.—

703 (1) PRIVATE SCHOOL ELIGIBILITY AND OBLIGATIONS.—A private
704 school participating in an educational scholarship program
705 established pursuant to this chapter must be a private school as
706 defined in s. 1002.01 in this state, be registered, and be in
707 compliance with all requirements of this section in addition to



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708 private school requirements outlined in s. 1002.42, specific
709 requirements identified within respective scholarship program
710 laws, and other provisions of Florida law that apply to private
711 schools, and must:

712 (e) Annually complete and submit to the department a
713 notarized scholarship compliance statement certifying that all
714 school employees and contracted personnel with direct student
715 contact have undergone background screening ~~pursuant to s.~~
716 ~~435.12~~ and have met the screening standards as provided in s.
717 1012.315 ~~s. 435.04~~.

718 (m) Require each employee and contracted personnel with
719 direct student contact, upon employment or engagement to provide
720 services, to undergo ~~a state and national~~ background screening
721 under s. 1012.315, ~~pursuant to s. 943.0542, by electronically~~
722 ~~filing with the Department of Law Enforcement a complete set of~~
723 ~~fingerprints taken by an authorized law enforcement agency or an~~
724 ~~employee of the private school, a school district, or a private~~
725 ~~company who is trained to take fingerprints~~ and deny employment
726 to or terminate an employee if he or she fails to meet the
727 screening standards under s. 1012.315 ~~s. 435.04~~. ~~Results of the~~
728 ~~screening shall be provided to the participating private school.~~
729 For purposes of this paragraph:

730 1. An "employee or contracted personnel with direct student
731 contact" means any employee or contracted personnel who has
732 unsupervised access to a scholarship student for whom the
733 private school is responsible.

734 2. The costs of fingerprinting and the background check
735 shall not be borne by the state.

736 3. Continued employment of an employee or contracted



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737 personnel after notification that he or she has failed the
738 background screening under this paragraph shall cause a private
739 school to be ineligible for participation in a scholarship
740 program.

741 4. An employee or contracted personnel holding a valid
742 Florida teaching certificate who has been fingerprinted pursuant
743 to s. 1012.32 is not required to comply with the provisions of
744 this paragraph.

745 5. All fingerprints submitted to the Department of Law
746 Enforcement as required by this section must ~~shall~~ be retained
747 in the Care Provider Background Screening Clearinghouse as
748 provided in s. 435.12 ~~by the Department of Law Enforcement in a~~
749 ~~manner provided by rule and entered in the statewide automated~~
750 ~~biometric identification system authorized by s. 943.05(2)(b).~~
751 ~~Such fingerprints shall thereafter be available for all purposes~~
752 ~~and uses authorized for arrest fingerprints entered in the~~
753 ~~statewide automated biometric identification system pursuant to~~
754 ~~s. 943.051.~~

755 6. Employees, contracted personnel, owners, and operators
756 must be rescreened as required by s. 435.12.

757 7. Persons who apply for employment are governed by the
758 laws and rules in effect at the time of application for
759 employment, provided that the person is continually employed by
760 the same school.

761 ~~6. The Department of Law Enforcement shall search all~~
762 ~~arrest fingerprints received under s. 943.051 against the~~
763 ~~fingerprints retained in the statewide automated biometric~~
764 ~~identification system under subparagraph 5. Any arrest record~~
765 ~~that is identified with the retained fingerprints of a person~~



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766 ~~subject to the background screening under this section shall be~~
767 ~~reported to the employing school with which the person is~~
768 ~~affiliated. Each private school participating in a scholarship~~
769 ~~program is required to participate in this search process by~~
770 ~~informing the Department of Law Enforcement of any change in the~~
771 ~~employment or contractual status of its personnel whose~~
772 ~~fingerprints are retained under subparagraph 5. The Department~~
773 ~~of Law Enforcement shall adopt a rule setting the amount of the~~
774 ~~annual fee to be imposed upon each private school for performing~~
775 ~~these searches and establishing the procedures for the retention~~
776 ~~of private school employee and contracted personnel fingerprints~~
777 ~~and the dissemination of search results. The fee may be borne by~~
778 ~~the private school or the person fingerprinted.~~

779 ~~7. Employees and contracted personnel whose fingerprints~~
780 ~~are not retained by the Department of Law Enforcement under~~
781 ~~subparagraphs 5. and 6. are required to be refingerprinted and~~
782 ~~must meet state and national background screening requirements~~
783 ~~upon reemployment or reengagement to provide services in order~~
784 ~~to comply with the requirements of this section.~~

785 ~~8. Every 5 years following employment or engagement to~~
786 ~~provide services with a private school, employees or contracted~~
787 ~~personnel required to be screened under this section must meet~~
788 ~~screening standards under s. 435.04, at which time the private~~
789 ~~school shall request the Department of Law Enforcement to~~
790 ~~forward the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation~~
791 ~~for national processing. If the fingerprints of employees or~~
792 ~~contracted personnel are not retained by the Department of Law~~
793 ~~Enforcement under subparagraph 5., employees and contracted~~
794 ~~personnel must electronically file a complete set of~~



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795 ~~fingerprints with the Department of Law Enforcement. Upon~~
796 ~~submission of fingerprints for this purpose, the private school~~
797 ~~shall request that the Department of Law Enforcement forward the~~
798 ~~fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for national~~
799 ~~processing, and the fingerprints shall be retained by the~~
800 ~~Department of Law Enforcement under subparagraph 5.~~

801 (p) Require each owner or operator of the private school,
802 prior to employment or engagement to provide services, to
803 undergo ~~level 2~~ background screening as provided in s. 1012.315
804 ~~under chapter 435~~. For purposes of this paragraph, the term
805 "owner or operator" means an owner, an operator, a
806 superintendent, or a principal of, or a person with equivalent
807 decisionmaking authority over, a private school participating in
808 a scholarship program established pursuant to this chapter. The
809 fingerprints for the background screening must be electronically
810 submitted to the Department of Law Enforcement and may be taken
811 by an authorized law enforcement agency or a private company who
812 is trained to take fingerprints. However, the complete set of
813 fingerprints of an owner or operator may not be taken by the
814 owner or operator. ~~The owner or operator shall provide a copy of~~
815 ~~the results of the state and national criminal history check to~~
816 ~~the Department of Education.~~ The cost of the background
817 screening may be borne by the owner or operator.

818 ~~1. Every 5 years following employment or engagement to~~
819 ~~provide services, each owner or operator must meet level 2~~
820 ~~screening standards as described in s. 435.04, at which time the~~
821 ~~owner or operator shall request the Department of Law~~
822 ~~Enforcement to forward the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of~~
823 ~~Investigation for level 2 screening. If the fingerprints of an~~



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824 ~~owner or operator are not retained by the Department of Law~~
825 ~~Enforcement under subparagraph 2., the owner or operator must~~
826 ~~electronically file a complete set of fingerprints with the~~
827 ~~Department of Law Enforcement. Upon submission of fingerprints~~
828 ~~for this purpose, the owner or operator shall request that the~~
829 ~~Department of Law Enforcement forward the fingerprints to the~~
830 ~~Federal Bureau of Investigation for level 2 screening, and the~~
831 ~~fingerprints shall be retained by the Department of Law~~
832 ~~Enforcement under subparagraph 2.~~

833 ~~2. Fingerprints submitted to the Department of Law~~
834 ~~Enforcement as required by this paragraph must be retained by~~
835 ~~the Department of Law Enforcement in a manner approved by rule~~
836 ~~and entered in the statewide automated biometric identification~~
837 ~~system authorized by s. 943.05(2)(b). The fingerprints must~~
838 ~~thereafter be available for all purposes and uses authorized for~~
839 ~~arrest fingerprints entered in the statewide automated biometric~~
840 ~~identification system pursuant to s. 943.051.~~

841 ~~3. The Department of Law Enforcement shall search all~~
842 ~~arrest fingerprints received under s. 943.051 against the~~
843 ~~fingerprints retained in the statewide automated biometric~~
844 ~~identification system under subparagraph 2. Any arrest record~~
845 ~~that is identified with an owner's or operator's fingerprints~~
846 ~~must be reported to the owner or operator, who must report to~~
847 ~~the Department of Education. Any costs associated with the~~
848 ~~search shall be borne by the owner or operator.~~

849 ~~4. An owner or operator who fails the level 2 background~~
850 ~~screening is not eligible to participate in a scholarship~~
851 ~~program under this chapter.~~

852 ~~1.5.~~ In addition to the offenses listed in s. 435.04, a



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853 person required to undergo background screening pursuant to this
854 part or authorizing statutes may not have an arrest awaiting
855 final disposition for, must not have been found guilty of, or
856 entered a plea of nolo contendere to, regardless of
857 adjudication, and must not have been adjudicated delinquent for,
858 and the record must not have been sealed or expunged for, any of
859 the following offenses or any similar offense of another
860 jurisdiction:

- 861 a. Any authorizing statutes, if the offense was a felony.
- 862 b. This chapter, if the offense was a felony.
- 863 c. Section 409.920, relating to Medicaid provider fraud.
- 864 d. Section 409.9201, relating to Medicaid fraud.
- 865 e. Section 741.28, relating to domestic violence.
- 866 f. Section 817.034, relating to fraudulent acts through
867 mail, wire, radio, electromagnetic, photoelectronic, or
868 photooptical systems.
- 869 g. Section 817.234, relating to false and fraudulent
870 insurance claims.
- 871 h. Section 817.505, relating to patient brokering.
- 872 i. Section 817.568, relating to criminal use of personal
873 identification information.
- 874 j. Section 817.60, relating to obtaining a credit card
875 through fraudulent means.
- 876 k. Section 817.61, relating to fraudulent use of credit
877 cards, if the offense was a felony.
- 878 l. Section 831.01, relating to forgery.
- 879 m. Section 831.02, relating to uttering forged instruments.
- 880 n. Section 831.07, relating to forging bank bills, checks,
881 drafts, or promissory notes.



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882 o. Section 831.09, relating to uttering forged bank bills,
883 checks, drafts, or promissory notes.

884 p. Section 831.30, relating to fraud in obtaining medicinal
885 drugs.

886 q. Section 831.31, relating to the sale, manufacture,
887 delivery, or possession with the intent to sell, manufacture, or
888 deliver any counterfeit controlled substance, if the offense was
889 a felony.

890 ~~2.6.~~ At least 30 calendar days before a transfer of
891 ownership of a private school, the owner or operator shall
892 notify the parent of each scholarship student.

893 ~~3.7.~~ The owner or operator of a private school that has
894 been deemed ineligible to participate in a scholarship program
895 pursuant to this chapter may not transfer ownership or
896 management authority of the school to a relative in order to
897 participate in a scholarship program as the same school or a new
898 school. For purposes of this subparagraph, the term "relative"
899 means father, mother, son, daughter, grandfather, grandmother,
900 brother, sister, uncle, aunt, cousin, nephew, niece, husband,
901 wife, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law,
902 brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather, stepmother, stepson,
903 stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, or half
904 sister.

905
906 The department shall suspend the payment of funds to a private
907 school that knowingly fails to comply with this subsection, and
908 shall prohibit the school from enrolling new scholarship
909 students, for 1 fiscal year and until the school complies. If a
910 private school fails to meet the requirements of this subsection



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911 or has consecutive years of material exceptions listed in the
912 report required under paragraph (q), the commissioner may
913 determine that the private school is ineligible to participate
914 in a scholarship program.

915 Section 26. Paragraph (e) of subsection (4) of section
916 1002.68, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

917 1002.68 Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program
918 accountability.—

919 (4)

920 (e) Subject to an appropriation, the department shall
921 provide for a differential payment to a private prekindergarten
922 provider and public school based on the provider's designation.
923 The maximum differential payment may not exceed a total of 15
924 percent of the base student allocation per full-time equivalent
925 student under s. 1002.71 attending in the consecutive program
926 year for that program. A private prekindergarten provider or
927 public school may not receive a differential payment if it
928 receives a designation of "proficient" or lower. ~~Before the~~
929 ~~adoption of the methodology, the department shall confer with~~
930 ~~the Council for Early Grade Success under s. 1008.2125 before~~
931 ~~receiving approval from the State Board of Education for the~~
932 ~~final recommendations on the designation system and differential~~
933 ~~payments.~~

934 Section 27. Subsection (4) of section 1002.71, Florida
935 Statutes, is amended to read:

936 1002.71 Funding; financial and attendance reporting.—

937 (4) Notwithstanding s. 1002.53(3) and subsection (2):

938 (a) A child who, ~~for any of the prekindergarten programs~~
939 ~~listed in s. 1002.53(3),~~ has not completed any of the



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940 prekindergarten programs listed in s. 1002.53(3) ~~more than 70~~
941 ~~percent of the hours authorized to be reported for funding under~~
942 ~~subsection (2), or has not expended more than 70 percent of the~~
943 ~~funds authorized for the child under s. 1002.66,~~ may withdraw
944 from the program for good cause and reenroll in one of the
945 programs. The total funding for a child who reenrolls in one of
946 the programs for good cause may not exceed one full-time
947 equivalent student. Funding for a child who withdraws and
948 reenrolls in one of the programs for good cause must ~~shall~~ be
949 issued in accordance with the department's uniform attendance
950 policy adopted pursuant to paragraph (6) (d).

951 (b) A child who has not ~~substantially~~ completed any of the
952 prekindergarten programs listed in s. 1002.53(3) may withdraw
953 from the program due to an extreme hardship that is beyond the
954 child's or parent's control, reenroll in one of the summer
955 programs, and be reported for funding purposes as a full-time
956 equivalent student in the summer program for which the child is
957 reenrolled.

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959 A child may reenroll only once in a prekindergarten program
960 under this section. A child who reenrolls in a prekindergarten
961 program under this subsection may not subsequently withdraw from
962 the program and reenroll, unless the child is granted a good
963 cause exemption under this subsection. The department shall
964 establish criteria specifying whether a good cause exists for a
965 child to withdraw from a program under paragraph (a), ~~whether a~~
966 ~~child has substantially completed a program under paragraph (b),~~
967 and whether an extreme hardship exists which is beyond the
968 child's or parent's control under paragraph (b).



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969 Section 28. Paragraph (d) of subsection (4) of section
970 1002.945, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

971 1002.945 Gold Seal Quality Care Program.—

972 (4) In order to obtain and maintain a designation as a Gold
973 Seal Quality Care provider, a child care facility, large family
974 child care home, or family day care home must meet the following
975 additional criteria:

976 ~~(d) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), if the Department of~~
977 ~~Education determines through a formal process that a provider~~
978 ~~has been in business for at least 5 years and has no other class~~
979 ~~I violations recorded, the department may recommend to the state~~
980 ~~board that the provider maintain its Gold Seal Quality Care~~
981 ~~status. The state board's determination regarding such~~
982 ~~provider's status is final.~~

983 Section 29. Subsection (2) of section 1003.05, Florida
984 Statutes, is amended to read:

985 1003.05 Assistance to transitioning students from military
986 families.—

987 (2) The Department of Education shall facilitate the
988 development and implementation of memoranda of agreement between
989 school districts and military installations which address
990 strategies for assisting students who are the children of active
991 duty military personnel in the transition to Florida schools.

992 (a) The strategies developed by the department must include
993 the development and implementation of a training module relating
994 to facilitating and expediting the transfer of a K-12 student's
995 education records from an out-of-state school.

996 (b) The department shall provide the training module
997 required under paragraph (a) to each district school board to



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998 provide to each public and charter K-12 school within its
999 district. The district school board shall make the training
1000 available to employees who work directly with military students
1001 and families.

1002 Section 30. Subsection (3) of section 1003.41, Florida
1003 Statutes, is amended to read:

1004 1003.41 State academic standards.—

1005 (3) The Commissioner of Education shall, as deemed
1006 necessary, develop and submit proposed revisions to the
1007 standards for review and comment by Florida educators, school
1008 administrators, representatives of the Florida College System
1009 institutions and state universities who have expertise in the
1010 content knowledge and skills necessary to prepare a student for
1011 postsecondary education and careers, a representative from the
1012 Department of Commerce, business and industry leaders for in-
1013 demand careers, and the public. The commissioner, after
1014 considering reviews and comments, shall submit the proposed
1015 revisions to the State Board of Education for adoption. New and
1016 revised standards documents submitted for approval to the state
1017 board must consist only of academic standards and benchmarks.
1018 The commissioner shall revise all currently approved standards
1019 documents based on the requirements of this subsection and
1020 submit all revised standards documents to the state board for
1021 approval no later than July 1, 2026.

1022 Section 31. Paragraph (j) of subsection (2) of section
1023 1003.42, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1024 1003.42 Required instruction.—

1025 (2) Members of the instructional staff of the public
1026 schools, subject to the rules of the State Board of Education



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1027 and the district school board, shall teach efficiently and
1028 faithfully, using the books and materials required that meet the
1029 highest standards for professionalism and historical accuracy,
1030 following the prescribed courses of study, and employing
1031 approved methods of instruction, the following:

1032 (j) The elementary principles of agriculture. This
1033 component must include, but need not be limited to, the history
1034 of agriculture both nationally and specifically to this state,
1035 the economic and societal impact of agriculture, and the various
1036 agricultural industry sectors. The department, in collaboration
1037 with the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the
1038 University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural
1039 Sciences, shall prepare and offer standards and a curriculum for
1040 the instruction required by this paragraph and may seek input
1041 from state or nationally recognized agricultural educational
1042 organizations. The department may contract with state or
1043 nationally recognized agricultural educational organizations to
1044 develop training for instructional personnel and grade-
1045 appropriate classroom resources to support the developed
1046 curriculum.

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1048 The State Board of Education is encouraged to adopt standards
1049 and pursue assessment of the requirements of this subsection.
1050 Instructional programming that incorporates the values of the
1051 recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor and that is
1052 offered as part of a social studies, English Language Arts, or
1053 other schoolwide character building and veteran awareness
1054 initiative meets the requirements of paragraph (u).

1055 Section 32. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section



1056 1003.4201, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1057 1003.4201 Comprehensive system of reading instruction.—Each
1058 school district must implement a system of comprehensive reading
1059 instruction for students enrolled in prekindergarten through
1060 grade 12 and certain students who exhibit a substantial
1061 deficiency in early literacy.

1062 (2) (a) Components of the reading instruction plan may
1063 include the following:

1064 1. Additional time per day of evidence-based intensive
1065 reading instruction for kindergarten through grade 12 students,
1066 which may be delivered during or outside of the regular school
1067 day.

1068 2. Highly qualified reading coaches, who must be endorsed
1069 in reading, to specifically support classroom teachers in making
1070 instructional decisions based on progress monitoring data
1071 collected pursuant to s. 1008.25(9) and improve classroom
1072 teacher delivery of effective reading instruction, reading
1073 intervention, and reading in the content areas based on student
1074 need.

1075 3. Professional learning to help instructional personnel
1076 and certified prekindergarten teachers funded in the Florida
1077 Education Finance Program earn a certification, a credential, an
1078 endorsement, or an advanced degree in scientifically researched
1079 and evidence-based reading instruction.

1080 4. Summer reading camps, using only classroom teachers or
1081 other district personnel who possess a micro-credential as
1082 specified in s. 1003.485 or are certified or endorsed in reading
1083 consistent with s. 1008.25(8)(b)3., for all students in
1084 kindergarten through grade 5 exhibiting a reading deficiency as



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1085 determined by district and state assessments.

1086 5. Intensive reading interventions, which must be delivered
1087 by instructional personnel who possess a micro-credential as
1088 defined in s. 1003.485(1) or are certified or endorsed in
1089 reading as provided in s. 1012.586 and must incorporate
1090 evidence-based strategies identified by the Just Read, Florida!
1091 office pursuant to s. 1001.215(7). Instructional personnel who
1092 possess a micro-credential as defined in s. 1003.485(1) and are
1093 delivering intensive reading interventions must be supervised by
1094 an individual certified or endorsed in reading. For the purposes
1095 of this subparagraph, the term "supervised" means that
1096 instructional personnel with a micro-credential are able,
1097 through telecommunication or in person, to communicate and
1098 consult with, and receive direction from, certified or endorsed
1099 personnel. Incentives for instructional personnel and certified
1100 prekindergarten teachers funded in the Florida Education Finance
1101 Program who possess a reading certification or endorsement as
1102 specified in s. 1012.586 or micro-credential as specified in s.
1103 1003.485 and provide educational support to improve student
1104 literacy.

1105 6. Tutoring in reading.

1106 7. A description of how the district prioritizes the
1107 assignment of highly effective teachers, as identified in s.
1108 1012.34(2)(e), from kindergarten to grade 2.

1109 Section 33. Paragraph (h) of subsection (3) of section
1110 1003.4282, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1111 1003.4282 Requirements for a standard high school diploma.—

1112 (3) STANDARD HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA; COURSE AND ASSESSMENT
1113 REQUIREMENTS.—



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1114 (h) *One-half credit in personal financial literacy.*—
1115 Beginning with students entering grade 9 in the 2023-2024 school
1116 year, each student must earn one-half credit in personal
1117 financial literacy and money management. This instruction must
1118 include discussion of or instruction in all of the following:

1119 1. Types of bank accounts offered, opening and managing a
1120 bank account, and assessing the quality of a depository
1121 institution's services.

1122 2. Balancing a checkbook.

1123 3. Basic principles of money management, such as spending,
1124 credit, credit scores, and managing debt, including retail and
1125 credit card debt.

1126 4. Completing a loan application.

1127 5. Receiving an inheritance and related implications.

1128 6. Basic principles of personal insurance policies.

1129 7. Computing federal income taxes.

1130 8. Local tax assessments.

1131 9. Computing interest rates by various mechanisms.

1132 10. Simple contracts.

1133 11. Contesting an incorrect billing statement.

1134 12. Types of savings and investments.

1135 13. State and federal laws concerning finance.

1136 14. Costs of postsecondary education, including cost of
1137 attendance, completion of the Free Application for Federal
1138 Student Aid, scholarships and grants, and student loans.

1139 Section 34. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section
1140 1004.04, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1141 1004.04 Public accountability and state approval for
1142 teacher preparation programs.—



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1143 (4) CONTINUED PROGRAM APPROVAL.—Continued approval of a
1144 teacher preparation program shall be based upon evidence that
1145 the program continues to implement the requirements for initial
1146 approval and upon significant, objective, and quantifiable
1147 measures of the program and the performance of the program
1148 completers.

1149 (a) The criteria for continued approval must include each
1150 of the following:

1151 1. Candidate readiness based on passage rates on educator
1152 certification examinations under s. 1012.56, as applicable.

1153 2. Evidence of performance in each of the following areas:

1154 a. Performance of students in prekindergarten through grade
1155 12 who are assigned to in-field program completers on statewide
1156 assessments using the results of the student learning growth
1157 formula adopted under s. 1012.34.

1158 b. Results of program completers' annual evaluations in
1159 accordance with the timeline as set forth in s. 1012.34.

1160 c. Workforce contributions, including placement of program
1161 completers in instructional positions in Florida public and
1162 private schools, with additional weight given to production of
1163 program completers in statewide high-demand ~~critical~~ teacher
1164 needs ~~shortage~~ areas as identified in s. 1012.07.

1165 3. Results of the program completers' survey measuring
1166 their satisfaction with preparation for the realities of the
1167 classroom.

1168 4. Results of the employers' survey measuring satisfaction
1169 with the program and the program's responsiveness to local
1170 school districts.

1171 Section 35. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section



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1172 1004.0971, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1173 1004.0971 Emergency opioid antagonists in Florida College
1174 System institution and state university housing.—

1175 (1) As used in this section, the term:

1176 (b) "Emergency opioid antagonist" means a naloxone
1177 ~~hydrochloride or any similarly acting~~ drug that blocks the
1178 effects of opioids administered from outside the body and that
1179 is approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration
1180 for the treatment of an opioid overdose.

1181 Section 36. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) and paragraph
1182 (b) of subsection (4) of section 1004.933, Florida Statutes, are
1183 amended to read:

1184 1004.933 Graduation Alternative to Traditional Education
1185 (GATE) Program.—

1186 (3) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:

1187 (b) "Institution" means any a school district career center
1188 established under s. 1001.44, a charter technical career center
1189 established under s. 1002.34, or a Florida College System
1190 institution identified in s. 1000.21. Any such institution may
1191 enter into an agreement with an online provider for the adult
1192 education or career instruction portion of the program if such
1193 provider offers instructional content and services that align
1194 with the state career and adult education curriculum frameworks.

1195 (4) PAYMENT WAIVER; ELIGIBILITY.—

1196 (b) To be eligible for participation in the GATE Program, a
1197 student must:

1198 1. Not have earned a standard high school diploma pursuant
1199 to s. 1003.4282 or a high school equivalency diploma pursuant to
1200 s. 1003.435 before enrolling in the GATE Program;



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1201 2. Have been withdrawn from high school or met the
1202 requirements in s. 1003.4282(5)(c) or (8)(a);

1203 3. Be a resident of this state as defined in s. 1009.21(1);

1204 4. Be at least 16 ~~to 21~~ years of age at the time of initial
1205 enrollment, provided that a student who is 16 or 17 years of age
1206 has withdrawn from school enrollment pursuant to the
1207 requirements and safeguards in s. 1003.21(1)(c);

1208 5. Select the adult secondary education program and career
1209 education program of his or her choice at the time of admission
1210 to the GATE Program, provided that the career education program
1211 is included on the Master Credentials List under s. 445.004(4).

1212 The student is not required to enroll in adult secondary and
1213 career education program coursework simultaneously. The student
1214 may not change the requested pathway after enrollment, except
1215 that, if necessary for the student, the student may enroll in an
1216 adult basic education program prior to enrolling in the adult
1217 secondary education program;

1218 6. Maintain a 2.0 GPA for career and technical education
1219 coursework; and

1220 7. Notwithstanding s. 1003.435(4), complete the programs
1221 under subparagraph 5. within 3 years after his or her initial
1222 enrollment unless the institution determines that an extension
1223 is warranted due to extenuating circumstances.

1224 Section 37. Paragraphs (c) and (f) of subsection (1) of
1225 section 1005.06, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1226 1005.06 Institutions not under the jurisdiction or purview
1227 of the commission.—

1228 (1) Except as otherwise provided in law, the following
1229 institutions are not under the jurisdiction or purview of the



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1230 commission and are not required to obtain licensure:

1231 (c) Any institution that is under the jurisdiction of the
1232 Department of Education, eligible to participate in the William
1233 L. Boyd, IV, Effective Access to Student Education Grant Program
1234 and that is a nonprofit independent college or university
1235 located and chartered in this state and accredited by the
1236 Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges
1237 and Schools to grant baccalaureate degrees, or an institution
1238 authorized under s. 1009.521.

1239 (f)1. A nonpublic religious postsecondary educational
1240 institution ~~religious college~~ may operate without licensure
1241 ~~governmental oversight~~ if the institution ~~college~~ annually
1242 verifies by sworn affidavit to the commission each of the
1243 following affirmations ~~that~~:

1244 a.1. The name of the institution includes a religious
1245 modifier or the name of a religious patriarch, saint, person, or
1246 symbol of the church.

1247 b. An explanation of the religious modifier, religious
1248 name, or religious symbol used in the institution's name.

1249 c.2. The institution offers only educational programs that
1250 prepare students for religious vocations as ministers,
1251 professionals, or laypersons in the categories of ministry,
1252 counseling, theology, education, administration, music, fine
1253 arts, media communications, or social work.

1254 d.3. The titles of degrees issued by the institution cannot
1255 be confused with secular degree titles. For this purpose, each
1256 degree title must include a religious modifier that immediately
1257 precedes, or is included within, any of the following degrees:
1258 Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Bachelor of Arts,



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1259 Bachelor of Science, Master of Arts, Master of Science, Doctor
1260 of Philosophy, and Doctor of Education. The religious modifier
1261 must be placed on the title line of the degree, on the
1262 transcript, and whenever the title of the degree appears in
1263 official school documents or publications.

1264 e. The titles and majors of every degree program offered by
1265 the institution as they appear on degrees and transcripts issued
1266 by the institution.

1267 f.4. The duration of all degree programs offered by the
1268 institution is consistent with the standards of the commission.

1269 g.5. The institution's consumer practices are consistent
1270 with those required by s. 1005.04.

1271 2. If requested by the commission, the institution must
1272 submit documentation demonstrating compliance with the
1273 requirements of this paragraph and with s. 1005.04. The
1274 institution shall submit such documentation within 30 days after
1275 the request.

1276 3. The commission shall review for approval or denial, in a
1277 public meeting, affidavits submitted pursuant to this paragraph.
1278 The commission shall approve an affidavit unless the affidavit
1279 is facially invalid, the affidavit is contradicted by the
1280 institution's public advertisements or by other evidence, or the
1281 institution has failed to comply with the requirements of
1282 subparagraph 2. The commission may provide such a religious
1283 institution a letter stating that the institution has met the
1284 requirements of state law and is not subject to licensure by the
1285 commission governmental oversight.

1286 a. If a nonpublic religious postsecondary educational
1287 institution that has been issued a written notice of exemption



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1288 from licensure by the commission subsequently fails to comply
1289 with the requirements of this paragraph, the commission must
1290 revoke its approval of the institution's affidavit in a public
1291 meeting.

1292 b. If an affidavit is denied by the commission, the
1293 commission may take any of the actions specified in s. 1005.38
1294 unless the institution applies for a license pursuant to s.
1295 1005.31(1)(a), ceases operating in this state, or submits
1296 documentation indicating compliance with this paragraph.

1297 c. The commission may adopt rules to administer this
1298 paragraph.

1299 Section 38. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
1300 1006.09, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1301 1006.09 Duties of school principal relating to student
1302 discipline and school safety.—

1303 (1)(a)1. Subject to law and to the rules of the State Board
1304 of Education and the district school board, the principal in
1305 charge of the school or the principal's designee shall develop
1306 policies for delegating to any teacher or other member of the
1307 instructional staff or to any bus driver transporting students
1308 of the school responsibility for the control and direction of
1309 students. Each school principal shall fully support the
1310 authority of his or her teachers and school bus drivers to
1311 remove disobedient, disrespectful, violent, abusive,
1312 uncontrollable, or disruptive students from the classroom and
1313 the school bus and, when appropriate and available, place such
1314 students in an alternative educational setting. The principal or
1315 the principal's designee must give full consideration to the
1316 recommendation for discipline made by a teacher, other member of



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1317 the instructional staff, or a bus driver when making a decision
1318 regarding student referral for discipline.

1319 2. If the disobedient, disrespectful, violent, abusive,
1320 uncontrollable, or disruptive behavior continues, the school
1321 principal must refer the case to the school's child study team
1322 to schedule a meeting with the parent to identify potential
1323 remedies.

1324 3. If an initial meeting with the student's parent does not
1325 resolve the behavioral issues, the child study team must
1326 implement the following:

1327 a. Frequent attempts by the school, including the student's
1328 teacher and a school administrator, at communicating with the
1329 student's family. The attempts may be made in writing or by
1330 telephone, but must be documented.

1331 b. A student evaluation for alternative education programs.

1332 c. Behavior contracts.

1333

1334 The child study team may, but is not required to, implement
1335 other interventions, including referral to other agencies for
1336 family services or a recommendation for filing a petition for a
1337 child in need of services pursuant to s. 984.15.

1338 Section 39. Subsection (3) of section 1006.13, Florida
1339 Statutes, is amended to read:

1340 1006.13 Policy of zero tolerance for crime and
1341 victimization.—

1342 (3)(a) Zero-tolerance policies must require students found
1343 to have committed one of the following offenses to be expelled,
1344 with or without continuing educational services, from the
1345 student's regular school for a period of not less than 1 full



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1346 year, and to be referred to the criminal justice or juvenile
1347 justice system.

1348 1.~~(a)~~ Bringing a firearm or weapon, as defined in chapter
1349 790, to school, to any school function, or onto any school-
1350 sponsored transportation or possessing a firearm at school.

1351 2.~~(b)~~ Making a threat or false report, as defined by ss.
1352 790.162 and 790.163, respectively, involving school or school
1353 personnel's property, school transportation, or a school-
1354 sponsored activity.

1355 (b) District school boards may assign the student to a
1356 disciplinary program for the purpose of continuing educational
1357 services during the period of expulsion. District school
1358 superintendents may consider the 1-year expulsion requirement on
1359 a case-by-case basis and request the district school board to
1360 modify the requirement by assigning the student to a
1361 disciplinary program or second chance school if the request for
1362 modification is in writing and it is determined to be in the
1363 best interest of the student and the school system. If a student
1364 committing any of the offenses in this subsection is a student
1365 who has a disability, the district school board shall comply
1366 with applicable State Board of Education rules.

1367 (c) Before the expiration of an expulsion period, the
1368 district school superintendent shall determine, based upon the
1369 determination of the threat management team, whether the
1370 expulsion period should be extended and, if the expulsion period
1371 is extended, what educational services will be provided. A
1372 recommendation to extend the expulsion period must be provided
1373 to the student and his or her parents in accordance with s.
1374 1006.08(1).



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1375 Section 40. Subsections (5) and (7) of section 1006.73,
1376 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
1377 1006.73 Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network.—
1378 (5) REPORTING.—
1379 ~~(a)~~ By December 31 each year, the host entity shall submit
1380 a report to the Chancellors of the State University System and
1381 the Florida College System regarding the implementation and
1382 operation of all components described in this section,
1383 including, but not limited to, all of the following:
1384 (a)1. Usage information collected under paragraph (2) (c).
1385 (b)2. Information and associated costs relating to the
1386 services and functions of the program.
1387 (c)3. The implementation and operation of the automated
1388 library services.
1389 (d)4. The number and value of grants awarded under
1390 paragraph (4) (d) and the distribution of those funds.
1391 ~~5. The number and types of courses placed in the Student~~
1392 ~~Open Access Resources Repository.~~
1393 ~~6. Information on the utilization of the Student Open~~
1394 ~~Access Resources Repository and utilization of open educational~~
1395 ~~resources in course sections, by Florida College System~~
1396 ~~institution and state university.~~
1397 ~~(b) The Chancellors will provide an annual report on the~~
1398 ~~performance of the host entity in delivering the services and~~
1399 ~~any recommendations for changes needed to this section to the~~
1400 ~~Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House~~
1401 ~~of Representatives, the Board of Governors, and the State Board~~
1402 ~~of Education. The Board of Governors and the Department of~~
1403 ~~Education shall include any necessary funding increases in their~~



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1404 ~~annual legislative budget requests.~~

1405 ~~(7) RECOMMENDATION ON OTHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO BE~~
1406 ~~INCLUDED WITHIN THE FLORIDA POSTSECONDARY ACADEMIC LIBRARY~~
1407 ~~NETWORK. By June 1, 2022, the Commissioner of Education and the~~
1408 ~~Chancellor of the Board of Governors shall provide a joint~~
1409 ~~recommendation for a process by which school district career~~
1410 ~~centers operated under s. 1001.44 and charter technical career~~
1411 ~~centers under s. 1002.34 would access appropriate postsecondary~~
1412 ~~distance learning, student support services and library assets~~
1413 ~~described in this section. The recommendation must include an~~
1414 ~~analysis of the resources necessary to expand access and assets~~
1415 ~~to centers and their students.~~

1416 Section 41. Effective upon becoming a law, paragraph (b) of
1417 subsection (1) of section 1007.27, Florida Statutes, is amended,
1418 and paragraph (d) is added to subsection (2) of that section, to
1419 read:

1420 1007.27 Articulated acceleration mechanisms.—

1421 (1)

1422 (b) The State Board of Education and the Board of Governors
1423 shall identify Florida College System institutions, ~~and~~ state
1424 universities, and national consortia to develop courses that
1425 align with s. 1007.25 for students in secondary education and
1426 provide the training required under s. 1007.35(6).

1427 (2)

1428 (d) The department may join or establish a national
1429 consortium as an alternative method to develop and implement
1430 advanced placement courses that align with s. 1007.25.

1431 Section 42. Subsection (5), paragraph (j) of subsection
1432 (6), and subsection (8) of section 1007.35, Florida Statutes,



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1433 are amended to read:

1434 1007.35 Florida Partnership for Minority and
1435 Underrepresented Student Achievement.—

1436 (5) Each public high school, including, but not limited to,
1437 schools and alternative sites and centers of the Department of
1438 Juvenile Justice, shall provide for the administration of the
1439 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test
1440 (PSAT/NMSQT), Classic Learning Test (CLT10), or ~~the~~ PreACT to
1441 all enrolled 10th grade students. However, a written notice must
1442 ~~shall~~ be provided to each parent which must include the
1443 opportunity to exempt his or her child from taking the
1444 PSAT/NMSQT, CLT10, or ~~the~~ PreACT.

1445 (a) Test results will provide each high school with a
1446 database of student assessment data which certified school
1447 counselors will use to identify students who are prepared or who
1448 need additional work to be prepared to enroll and be successful
1449 in advanced high school courses.

1450 (b) Funding for the PSAT/NMSQT, CLT10, or ~~the~~ PreACT for
1451 all 10th grade students is ~~shall be~~ contingent upon annual
1452 funding in the General Appropriations Act.

1453 (c) Public school districts shall ~~must~~ choose either the
1454 PSAT/NMSQT, CLT10, or ~~the~~ PreACT for districtwide
1455 administration.

1456 (6) The partnership shall:

1457 (j) Provide information to students, parents, teachers,
1458 counselors, administrators, districts, Florida College System
1459 institutions, and state universities regarding the PSAT/NMSQT,
1460 CLT10, or ~~the~~ PreACT administration, including, but not limited
1461 to:



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1462 1. Test administration dates and times.
1463 2. That participation in the PSAT/NMSQT, CLT10, or ~~the~~
1464 PreACT is open to all 10th grade students.
1465 3. The value of such tests in providing diagnostic feedback
1466 on student skills.
1467 4. The value of student scores in predicting the
1468 probability of success on advanced course examinations.
1469 (8) (a) By September 30 of each year, the partnership shall
1470 submit to the department a report that contains an evaluation of
1471 the effectiveness of the delivered services and activities.
1472 Activities and services must be evaluated on their effectiveness
1473 at raising student achievement and increasing the number of AP
1474 or other advanced course examinations in low-performing middle
1475 and high schools. Other indicators that must be addressed in the
1476 evaluation report include the number of middle and high school
1477 teachers trained; the effectiveness of the training; measures of
1478 postsecondary readiness of the students affected by the program;
1479 levels of participation in the 10th grade PSAT/NMSQT, CLT10, or
1480 ~~the~~ PreACT testing; and measures of student, parent, and teacher
1481 awareness of and satisfaction with the services of the
1482 partnership.
1483 (b) The department shall contribute to the evaluation
1484 process by providing access, consistent with s. 119.071(5) (a),
1485 to student and teacher information necessary to match against
1486 databases containing teacher professional learning data and
1487 databases containing assessment data for the PSAT/NMSQT, SAT,
1488 ACT, PreACT, CLT, CLT10, AP, and other appropriate measures. The
1489 department shall also provide student-level data on student
1490 progress from middle school through high school and into college



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1491 and the workforce, if available, in order to support
1492 longitudinal studies. The partnership shall analyze and report
1493 student performance data in a manner that protects the rights of
1494 students and parents as required in 20 U.S.C. s. 1232g and s.
1495 1002.22.

1496 Section 43. Subsections (1) and (5) of section 1008.36,
1497 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1498 1008.36 Florida School Recognition Program.—

1499 (1) The Legislature finds that there is a need for a
1500 performance incentive program for outstanding instructional
1501 personnel ~~faculty and staff~~ in highly productive schools. The
1502 Legislature further finds that performance-based incentives are
1503 commonplace in the private sector and should be infused into the
1504 public sector as a reward for productivity.

1505 (5) School recognition awards must be used for the
1506 following:

1507 (a) Nonrecurring bonuses to the instructional personnel as
1508 defined in s. 1012.01(2) ~~faculty and staff~~;

1509 (b) Nonrecurring expenditures for educational equipment or
1510 materials to assist in maintaining and improving student
1511 performance; or

1512 (c) Temporary personnel for the school to assist in
1513 maintaining and improving student performance.

1514
1515 Notwithstanding statutory provisions to the contrary, incentive
1516 awards are not subject to collective bargaining.

1517 Section 44. Paragraph (c) of subsection (8) of section
1518 1008.365, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1519 1008.365 Reading Achievement Initiative for Scholastic



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1520 Excellence Act.—

1521 (8) As part of the RAISE Program, the department shall
1522 establish a tutoring program and develop training in effective
1523 reading tutoring practices and content, based on evidence-based
1524 practices grounded in the science of reading and aligned to the
1525 English Language Arts standards under s. 1003.41, which prepares
1526 eligible high school students to tutor students in kindergarten
1527 through grade 3 in schools identified under this section,
1528 instilling in those students a love of reading and improving
1529 their literacy skills.

1530 (c) Tutoring may be part of a service-learning course
1531 adopted pursuant to s. 1003.497. Students may earn up to three
1532 elective credits for high school graduation based on the
1533 verified number of hours the student spends tutoring under the
1534 program. The hours of volunteer service must be documented in
1535 writing, and the document must be signed by the student, the
1536 student's parent or guardian, and an administrator or designee
1537 of the school in which the tutoring occurred. ~~The Unpaid~~ hours
1538 that a high school student devotes to tutoring may be counted
1539 toward meeting community service requirements for high school
1540 graduation and community service requirements for participation
1541 in the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program as provided in
1542 s. 1003.497(3)(b). The department shall designate a high school
1543 student who provides at least 75 verified hours of tutoring
1544 under the program as a New Worlds Scholar and award the student
1545 with a pin indicating such designation.

1546 Section 45. Subsection (2) of section 1008.37, Florida
1547 Statutes, is amended to read:

1548 1008.37 Postsecondary feedback of information to high



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1549 schools.-

1550 (2) The Commissioner of Education shall report, by high
1551 school, to the State Board of Education, the Board of Governors,
1552 and the Legislature, no later than May 31 ~~April 30~~ of each year,
1553 on the number of prior year Florida high school graduates who
1554 enrolled for the first time in public postsecondary education in
1555 this state during the summer, fall, or spring term of the
1556 previous academic year, ~~indicating the number of students whose~~
1557 ~~scores on the common placement test indicated the need for~~
1558 ~~developmental education under s. 1008.30 or for applied~~
1559 ~~academics for adult education under s. 1004.91.~~

1560 Section 46. Present paragraph (g) of subsection (20) of
1561 section 1009.26, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph
1562 (h), a new paragraph (g) is added to that subsection, and
1563 paragraphs (a) and (c) of that subsection are amended, to read:

1564 1009.26 Fee waivers.-

1565 (20) (a) Beginning with the 2022-2023 academic year, a state
1566 university shall waive the out-of-state fee for a student who:

1567 1. Has a grandparent who has established a domicile in this
1568 state pursuant to s. 222.17 for at least 5 years preceding an
1569 application for the fee waiver ~~is a legal resident as defined in~~
1570 ~~s. 1009.21(1)~~. For purposes of this subsection, the term
1571 "grandparent" means a person who has a legal relationship to a
1572 student's parent as the natural or adoptive parent or legal
1573 guardian of the student's parent.

1574 2. Earns a high school diploma comparable to a Florida
1575 standard high school diploma, or its equivalent, or completes a
1576 home education program.

1577 3.a. Achieves an SAT combined score no lower than the 89th



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1578 national percentile on the SAT;

1579 b. Achieves an ACT score concordant to the required SAT
1580 score in sub-subparagraph a., using the latest published
1581 national concordance table developed jointly by the College
1582 Board and ACT, Inc.; or

1583 c. If a state university accepts the Classic Learning Test
1584 (CLT) for admission purposes, achieves a CLT score concordant to
1585 the required SAT score specified in sub-subparagraph a., using
1586 the latest published scoring comparison developed by Classic
1587 Learning Initiatives.

1588 4. Beginning with students who initially enroll in the 2022
1589 fall academic term and thereafter, enrolls as a full-time
1590 undergraduate student at a state university in the fall academic
1591 term immediately following high school graduation.

1592 (c) Before waiving the out-of-state fee, the state
1593 university shall require the student or the student's parent, if
1594 the student is a dependent child, to provide a written
1595 declaration pursuant to s. 92.525(2) attesting to the student's
1596 familial relationship to a grandparent who meets the residency
1597 requirement of subparagraph (a)1. ~~is a legal resident~~ and any
1598 other corroborating documentation required by regulation of the
1599 Board of Governors. A state university is not required to
1600 independently verify the statements contained in each
1601 declaration if the signatory declares it to be true under the
1602 penalties of perjury as required by s. 92.525(2). However, the
1603 state university may refer any signed declaration suspected of
1604 containing fraudulent representations to law enforcement.

1605 (g) A state university student granted an out-of-state fee
1606 waiver under this subsection shall be considered a resident



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1607 student for purposes of calculating the systemwide total
1608 enrollment of nonresident students as limited by regulation of
1609 the Board of Governors.

1610 Section 47. Subsection (2) of section 1009.536, Florida
1611 Statutes, is amended, and subsection (6) is added to that
1612 section, to read:

1613 1009.536 Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars and Florida
1614 Gold Seal CAPE Scholars awards.—The Florida Gold Seal Vocational
1615 Scholars award and the Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars award are
1616 created within the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program to
1617 recognize and reward academic achievement and career preparation
1618 by high school students who wish to continue their education.

1619 (2) A student is eligible for a Florida Gold Seal CAPE
1620 Scholars award if he or she meets the general eligibility
1621 requirements for the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program,
1622 and the student:

1623 (a) Earns a minimum of 3 ~~5~~ postsecondary credit hours
1624 through CAPE industry certifications approved pursuant to s.
1625 1008.44 which articulate for college credit; ~~and~~

1626 (b) Earns a minimum cumulative weighted grade point average
1627 of 2.5, as calculated pursuant to s. 1009.531, on all subjects
1628 required for a standard high school diploma, excluding elective
1629 courses; and

1630 (c) Completes at least 30 hours of volunteer service or,
1631 beginning with a high school student graduating in the 2022-2023
1632 academic year and thereafter, 100 hours of paid work, approved
1633 by the district school board, the administrators of a nonpublic
1634 school, or the Department of Education for home education
1635 program students, or 100 hours of a combination of both.



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1636 Eligible paid work completed on or after June 27, 2022, shall be
1637 included in a student's total required paid work hours. The
1638 student may identify a social or civic issue or a professional
1639 area that interests him or her and develop a plan for his or her
1640 personal involvement in addressing the issue or learning about
1641 the area. The student must, through papers or other
1642 presentations, evaluate and reflect upon his or her experience.
1643 Such volunteer service or paid work may include, but is not
1644 limited to, a business or governmental internship, work for a
1645 nonprofit community service organization, or activities on
1646 behalf of a candidate for public office. The hours of volunteer
1647 service or paid work must be documented in writing, and the
1648 document must be signed by the student, the student's parent or
1649 guardian, and a representative of the organization for which the
1650 student performed the volunteer service or paid work.

1651 (6) Before or within 3 months after completion of the GATE
1652 Program as provided in s. 1004.933, a student may apply for the
1653 Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars award.

1654 Section 48. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section
1655 1009.8962, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1656 1009.8962 Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE)
1657 Fund.—

1658 (3) As used in this section, the term:

1659 (b) "Institution" means a school district career center
1660 under s. 1001.44; a charter technical career center under s.
1661 1002.34; a Florida College System institution; a state
1662 university; an independent nonprofit college or university
1663 located and chartered in this state and accredited by an agency
1664 or association that is recognized by the database created and



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1665 maintained by the United States Department of Education to grant
1666 baccalaureate degrees; or an independent school, college, or
1667 university with an accredited program as defined in s. 464.003
1668 which is located in this state and licensed by the Commission
1669 for Independent Education pursuant to s. 1005.31, or an
1670 institution authorized under s. 1009.521, which has a nursing
1671 education program that meets or exceeds the following:

1672 1. For a certified nursing assistant program, a completion
1673 rate of at least 70 percent for the prior year.

1674 2. For a licensed practical nurse, associate of science in
1675 nursing, and bachelor of science in nursing program, a first-
1676 time passage rate on the National Council of State Boards of
1677 Nursing Licensing Examination of at least 75 percent for the
1678 prior year based on a minimum of 10 testing participants.

1679 Section 49. Present subsection (4) of section 1009.897,
1680 Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (5), and a new
1681 subsection (4) is added to that section, to read:

1682 1009.897 Prepping Institutions, Programs, Employers, and
1683 Learners through Incentives for Nursing Education (PIPELINE)
1684 Fund.—

1685 (4) Each institution that receives funds through the
1686 PIPELINE Fund shall allocate the funds to its health care
1687 industry-related programs.

1688 Section 50. Section 1011.58, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

1689 Section 51. Section 1011.59, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

1690 Section 52. Paragraph (b) of subsection (5) of section
1691 1011.71, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1692 1011.71 District school tax.—

1693 (5) A school district may expend, subject to s. 200.065, up



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1694 to \$200 per unweighted full-time equivalent student from the
1695 revenue generated by the millage levy authorized by subsection
1696 (2) to fund, in addition to expenditures authorized in
1697 paragraphs (2)(a)-(j), expenses for the following:

1698 (b) Payment of the cost of premiums, as defined in s.
1699 627.403, for property and casualty insurance necessary to insure
1700 school district educational and ancillary plants. As used in
1701 this paragraph, casualty insurance has the same meaning as in s.
1702 624.605(1)(b), (d), (f), (g), (h), and (m) ~~s. 624.605(1)(d),~~
1703 ~~(f), (g), (h), and (m)~~. Operating revenues that are made
1704 available through the payment of property and casualty insurance
1705 premiums from revenues generated under this subsection may be
1706 expended only for nonrecurring operational expenditures of the
1707 school district.

1708 Section 53. Subsections (3) and (6) of section 1011.804,
1709 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1710 1011.804 GATE Startup Grant Program.—

1711 (3) The department may solicit proposals from institutions
1712 without programs that meet the requirements of s. 1004.933(2).
1713 Such institutions must be located in or serve a rural area of
1714 opportunity as designated by the Governor. Additionally,
1715 institutions that meet program requirements and are located in
1716 or serve a rural area of opportunity may apply for grant funds
1717 specifically for marketing and outreach efforts to expand
1718 student participation in the GATE Program.

1719 (6) Grant funds may be used for planning activities and
1720 other expenses associated with the creation of the GATE Program,
1721 such as expenses related to program instruction, instructional
1722 equipment, supplies, instructional personnel, ~~and~~ student



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1723 services, and outreach and marketing efforts to recruit and
1724 enroll eligible students. Institutions with existing programs
1725 that meet the requirements of s. 1004.933(2) and that are
1726 located in or serve a rural area of opportunity may apply for
1727 grant funds exclusively for marketing and outreach purposes to
1728 expand student participation in the GATE Program. Grant funds
1729 may not be used for indirect costs. Grant recipients must submit
1730 an annual report in a format prescribed by the department. The
1731 department shall consolidate such annual reports and include the
1732 reports in the report required by s. 1004.933(5).

1733 Section 54. Section 1012.07, Florida Statutes, is amended
1734 to read:

1735 1012.07 Identification of high-demand ~~critical~~ teacher
1736 needs shortage areas.—The term “high-demand ~~critical~~ teacher
1737 needs shortage area” means high-need content areas and high-
1738 priority location areas identified by the State Board of
1739 Education. The State Board of Education shall adopt rules
1740 pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 necessary to annually
1741 identify high-demand ~~critical~~ teacher needs shortage areas. The
1742 state board must consider current and emerging educational
1743 requirements and workforce demands in determining high-demand
1744 ~~critical~~ teacher needs shortage areas. School grade levels may
1745 also be designated critical teacher shortage areas. Individual
1746 district school boards may identify and submit other high-demand
1747 ~~critical~~ teacher needs shortage areas. Such submissions must be
1748 aligned to current and emerging educational requirements and
1749 workforce demands in order to be approved by the State Board of
1750 Education. High-priority location areas must be in high-density,
1751 low-economic urban schools; low-density, low-economic rural



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1752 schools; and schools that earned a grade of "F" or three
1753 consecutive grades of "D" pursuant to s. 1008.34. The State
1754 Board of Education shall develop strategies to address high-
1755 demand ~~critical~~ teacher needs ~~shortage~~ areas.

1756 Section 55. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section
1757 1012.22, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1758 1012.22 Public school personnel; powers and duties of the
1759 district school board.—The district school board shall:

1760 (1) Designate positions to be filled, prescribe
1761 qualifications for those positions, and provide for the
1762 appointment, compensation, promotion, suspension, and dismissal
1763 of employees as follows, subject to the requirements of this
1764 chapter:

1765 (c) *Compensation and salary schedules.*—

1766 1. Definitions.—As used in this paragraph:

1767 a. "Adjustment" means an addition to the base salary
1768 schedule that is not a bonus and becomes part of the employee's
1769 permanent base salary and shall be considered compensation under
1770 s. 121.021(22).

1771 b. "Grandfathered salary schedule" means the salary
1772 schedule or schedules adopted by a district school board before
1773 July 1, 2014, pursuant to subparagraph 4.

1774 c. "Instructional personnel" means instructional personnel
1775 as defined in s. 1012.01(2)(a)-(d), excluding substitute
1776 teachers.

1777 d. "Performance salary schedule" means the salary schedule
1778 or schedules adopted by a district school board pursuant to
1779 subparagraph 5.

1780 e. "Salary schedule" means the schedule or schedules used



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1781 to provide the base salary for district school board personnel.

1782 f. "School administrator" means a school administrator as
1783 defined in s. 1012.01(3)(c).

1784 g. "Supplement" means an annual addition to the base salary
1785 for the term of the negotiated supplement as long as the
1786 employee continues his or her employment for the purpose of the
1787 supplement. A supplement does not become part of the employee's
1788 continuing base salary but shall be considered compensation
1789 under s. 121.021(22).

1790 2. Cost-of-living adjustment.—A district school board may
1791 provide a cost-of-living salary adjustment if the adjustment:

1792 a. Does not discriminate among comparable classes of
1793 employees based upon the salary schedule under which they are
1794 compensated.

1795 b. Does not exceed 50 percent of the annual adjustment
1796 provided to instructional personnel rated as effective.

1797 3. Advanced degrees.—A district school board may use
1798 advanced degrees in setting a salary schedule for instructional
1799 personnel or school administrators if the advanced degree is
1800 held in the individual's area of certification.

1801 4. Grandfathered salary schedule.—

1802 a. The district school board shall adopt a salary schedule
1803 or salary schedules to be used as the basis for paying all
1804 school employees hired before July 1, 2014. Instructional
1805 personnel on annual contract as of July 1, 2014, shall be placed
1806 on the performance salary schedule adopted under subparagraph 5.
1807 Instructional personnel on continuing contract or professional
1808 service contract may opt into the performance salary schedule if
1809 the employee relinquishes such contract and agrees to be



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1810 employed on an annual contract under s. 1012.335. Such an
1811 employee shall be placed on the performance salary schedule and
1812 may not return to continuing contract or professional service
1813 contract status. Any employee who opts into the performance
1814 salary schedule may not return to the grandfathered salary
1815 schedule.

1816 b. In determining the grandfathered salary schedule for
1817 instructional personnel, a district school board must base a
1818 portion of each employee's compensation upon performance
1819 demonstrated under s. 1012.34 and shall provide differentiated
1820 pay for both instructional personnel and school administrators
1821 based upon district-determined factors, including, but not
1822 limited to, additional responsibilities, school demographics,
1823 high-demand teacher needs ~~critical shortage~~ areas, and level of
1824 job performance difficulties.

1825 5. Performance salary schedule.—By July 1, 2014, the
1826 district school board shall adopt a performance salary schedule
1827 that provides annual salary adjustments for instructional
1828 personnel and school administrators based upon performance
1829 determined under s. 1012.34. Employees hired on or after July 1,
1830 2014, or employees who choose to move from the grandfathered
1831 salary schedule to the performance salary schedule shall be
1832 compensated pursuant to the performance salary schedule once
1833 they have received the appropriate performance evaluation for
1834 this purpose.

1835 a. Base salary.—The base salary shall be established as
1836 follows:

1837 (I) The base salary for instructional personnel or school
1838 administrators who opt into the performance salary schedule



1839 shall be the salary paid in the prior year, including
1840 adjustments only.

1841 (II) Instructional personnel or school administrators new
1842 to the district, returning to the district after a break in
1843 service without an authorized leave of absence, or appointed for
1844 the first time to a position in the district in the capacity of
1845 instructional personnel or school administrator shall be placed
1846 on the performance salary schedule.

1847 b. Salary adjustments.—Salary adjustments for highly
1848 effective or effective performance shall be established as
1849 follows:

1850 (I) The annual salary adjustment under the performance
1851 salary schedule for an employee rated as highly effective must
1852 be at least 25 percent greater than the highest annual salary
1853 adjustment available to an employee of the same classification
1854 through any other salary schedule adopted by the district.

1855 (II) The annual salary adjustment under the performance
1856 salary schedule for an employee rated as effective must be equal
1857 to at least 50 percent and no more than 75 percent of the annual
1858 adjustment provided for a highly effective employee of the same
1859 classification.

1860 (III) A salary schedule shall not provide an annual salary
1861 adjustment for an employee who receives a rating other than
1862 highly effective or effective for the year.

1863 c. Salary supplements.—In addition to the salary
1864 adjustments, each district school board shall provide for salary
1865 supplements for activities that must include, but are not
1866 limited to:

1867 (I) Assignment to a Title I eligible school.



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1868 (II) Assignment to a school that earned a grade of "F" or
1869 three consecutive grades of "D" pursuant to s. 1008.34 such that
1870 the supplement remains in force for at least 1 year following
1871 improved performance in that school.

1872 (III) Certification and teaching in high-demand ~~critical~~
1873 teacher needs shortage areas. Statewide high-demand ~~critical~~
1874 teacher needs shortage areas shall be identified by the State
1875 Board of Education under s. 1012.07. However, the district
1876 school board may identify other areas of high-demand needs
1877 ~~critical shortage~~ within the school district for purposes of
1878 this sub-sub-subparagraph and may remove areas identified by the
1879 state board which do not apply within the school district.

1880 (IV) Assignment of additional academic responsibilities.

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1882 If budget constraints in any given year limit a district school
1883 board's ability to fully fund all adopted salary schedules, the
1884 performance salary schedule shall not be reduced on the basis of
1885 total cost or the value of individual awards in a manner that is
1886 proportionally greater than reductions to any other salary
1887 schedules adopted by the district. Any compensation for
1888 longevity of service awarded to instructional personnel who are
1889 on any other salary schedule must be included in calculating the
1890 salary adjustments required by sub-subparagraph b.

1891 Section 56. Section 1012.315, Florida Statutes, is amended
1892 to read:

1893 1012.315 Screening standards.—

1894 (1) A person is ineligible for educator certification or
1895 employment in any position that requires direct contact with
1896 students in a district school system, a charter school, or a



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1897 private school that participates in a state scholarship program
1898 under chapter 1002 if the person which includes being an owner
1899 or operator of a private school that participates in a
1900 scholarship program under chapter 1002:

1901 (a)(1) Is on the disqualification list maintained by the
1902 department under s. 1001.10(4)(b);

1903 (b)(2) Is registered as a sex offender as described in 42
1904 U.S.C. s. 9858f(c)(1)(C);

1905 (c)(3) Is ineligible based on a security background
1906 investigation under s. 435.04(2). ~~Beginning January 1, 2025, or~~
1907 ~~a later date as determined by the Agency for Health Care~~
1908 ~~Administration,~~ The Agency for Health Care Administration shall
1909 determine the eligibility of employees in any position that
1910 requires direct contact with students in a district school
1911 system, a charter school, or a private school that participates
1912 in a state scholarship program under chapter 1002;

1913 (d)(4) Would be ineligible for an exemption under s.
1914 435.07(4)(c); or

1915 (e)(5) Has been convicted or found guilty of, has had
1916 adjudication withheld for, or has pled guilty or nolo contendere
1917 to:

1918 1.(a) Any criminal act committed in another state or under
1919 federal law which, if committed in this state, constitutes a
1920 disqualifying offense under s. 435.04(2).

1921 2.(b) Any delinquent act committed in this state or any
1922 delinquent or criminal act committed in another state or under
1923 federal law which, if committed in this state, qualifies an
1924 individual for inclusion on the Registered Juvenile Sex Offender
1925 List under s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.d.



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1926 (2) Notwithstanding ss. 435.01 and 435.07, a person who
1927 undergoes screening pursuant to this chapter or s. 1002.421 may
1928 not seek an exemption.

1929 (3) Persons who apply for certification or employment are
1930 governed by the law and rules in effect at the time of
1931 application for issuance of the initial certificate or
1932 employment, provided that continuity of certificates or
1933 employment is maintained.

1934 Section 57. Section 1012.77, Florida Statutes, is amended
1935 to read:

1936 1012.77 Christa McAuliffe Ambassador for Education
1937 Program.—

1938 (1) ~~The Legislature recognizes that Florida continues to~~
1939 ~~face teacher shortages and that fewer young people consider~~
1940 ~~teaching as a career.~~ It is the intent of the Legislature to
1941 promote the positive and rewarding aspects of being a teacher,
1942 to encourage more individuals to become teachers, and to provide
1943 annual sabbatical support for outstanding Florida teachers to
1944 serve as goodwill ambassadors for education. The Legislature
1945 further wishes to honor the memory of Christa McAuliffe, who
1946 epitomized the challenge and inspiration that teaching can be.

1947 (2) The Christa McAuliffe Ambassador for Education Program
1948 is established to provide salary, travel, and other related
1949 expenses annually for an outstanding Florida teacher to promote
1950 the positive aspects of teaching as a career. The goals of the
1951 program are to:

1952 (a) Enhance the stature of teachers and the teaching
1953 profession.

1954 (b) Promote the importance of quality education and



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1955 teaching for our future.

1956 (c) Inspire and attract talented people to become teachers.

1957 (d) Provide information regarding Florida's scholarship and

1958 loan programs related to teaching.

1959 (e) Promote the teaching profession within community and

1960 business groups.

1961 (f) Provide information to retired military personnel and

1962 other individuals who might consider teaching as a second

1963 career.

1964 (g) Work with and represent the Department of Education, as

1965 needed.

1966 (h) Work with and encourage the efforts of school and

1967 district teachers of the year.

1968 (i) Support the activities of the Florida Future Educator

1969 of America Program.

1970 (j) Represent Florida teachers at business, trade,

1971 education, and other conferences and meetings.

1972 (k) Promote the teaching profession in other ways related

1973 to the teaching responsibilities, background experiences, and

1974 aspirations of the Ambassador for Education.

1975 (3) The Teacher of the Year shall serve as the Ambassador

1976 for Education. If the Teacher of the Year is unable to serve as

1977 the Ambassador for Education, the first runner-up shall serve in

1978 his or her place. The Department of Education shall establish

1979 application and selection procedures for determining an annual

1980 teacher of the year. Applications and selection criteria shall

1981 be developed and distributed annually by the Department of

1982 Education to all eligible entities identified in subsection (4)

1983 ~~school districts~~. The Commissioner of Education shall establish



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1984 a selection committee which assures representation from teacher
1985 organizations, administrators, and parents to select the Teacher
1986 of the Year and Ambassador for Education from among the district
1987 teachers of the year.

1988 (4) Eligible entities to submit to the Department of
1989 Education a nominee for the Teacher of the Year and Ambassador
1990 for Education are:

1991 (a) Florida school districts, including lab schools as
1992 defined in s. 1002.32.

1993 (b) Charter school consortia with at least 30 member
1994 schools and an approved professional learning system on file
1995 with the department.

1996 (5) (a) ~~(4) (a)~~ The Commissioner of Education shall pay an
1997 annual salary, fringe benefits, travel costs, and other costs
1998 associated with administering the program.

1999 (b) The Ambassador for Education shall serve for 1 year,
2000 from July 1 to June 30, and shall be assured of returning to his
2001 or her teaching position upon completion of the program. The
2002 ambassador will not have a break in creditable or continuous
2003 service or employment for the period of time in which he or she
2004 participates in the program.

2005 Section 58. Subsection (3) of section 1013.30, Florida
2006 Statutes, is amended to read:

2007 1013.30 University campus master plans and campus
2008 development agreements.—

2009 (3) Each university board of trustees shall prepare and
2010 adopt a campus master plan for the university and maintain a
2011 copy of the plan on the university's website. The master plan
2012 must identify general land uses and address the need for and



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2013 plans for provision of roads, parking, public transportation,
2014 solid waste, drainage, sewer, potable water, and recreation and
2015 open space during the coming 10 to 20 years. The plans must
2016 contain elements relating to future land use, intergovernmental
2017 coordination, capital improvements, recreation and open space,
2018 general infrastructure, housing, and conservation. Each element
2019 must address compatibility with the surrounding community. The
2020 master plan must identify specific land uses, general location
2021 of structures, densities and intensities of use, and contain
2022 standards for onsite development, site design, environmental
2023 management, and the preservation of historic and archaeological
2024 resources. The transportation element must address reasonable
2025 transportation demand management techniques to minimize offsite
2026 impacts where possible. Data and analyses on which the elements
2027 are based must include, at a minimum: the characteristics of
2028 vacant lands; projected impacts of development on onsite and
2029 offsite infrastructure, public services, and natural resources;
2030 student enrollment projections; student housing needs; and the
2031 need for academic and support facilities. Master plans must be
2032 updated at least every 10 5 years.

2033 Section 59. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
2034 1009.531, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

2035 1009.531 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program;
2036 student eligibility requirements for initial awards.-

2037 (1) In order to be eligible for an initial award from any
2038 of the scholarships under the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship
2039 Program, a student must:

2040 (b) Earn a standard Florida high school diploma pursuant to
2041 s. 1002.3105(5), s. 1003.4281, or s. 1003.4282 or a high school



2042 equivalency diploma pursuant to s. 1003.435 unless:
2043 1. The student completes a home education program according
2044 to s. 1002.41;
2045 2. The student earns a high school diploma from a non-
2046 Florida school while living with a parent or guardian who is on,
2047 or, within 12 months before the student's high school
2048 graduation, has retired from, military or public service
2049 assignment away from Florida; or
2050 3. The student earns a high school diploma from a Florida
2051 private school operating pursuant to s. 1002.42.

2052 Section 60. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
2053 act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon
2054 this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1,
2055 2025.

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2057 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

2058 And the title is amended as follows:

2059 Delete everything before the enacting clause
2060 and insert:

2061 A bill to be entitled
2062 An act relating to education; amending s. 11.45, F.S.;
2063 deleting the Florida School for Competitive Academics
2064 from the list of entities subject to certain audit
2065 requirements; amending s. 11.51, F.S.; authorizing the
2066 Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government
2067 Accountability to develop contracts or agreements with
2068 institutions in the State University System for a
2069 specified purpose; amending s. 110.211, F.S.;
2070 authorizing recruiting within the career service



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2071 system to include the use of certain apprenticeship
2072 programs; providing that open competition is not
2073 required under certain circumstances relating to the
2074 career service system; amending s. 125.901, F.S.;
2075 revising the composition and terms of membership of
2076 certain councils; amending s. 216.251, F.S.; deleting
2077 the Florida School for Competitive Academics from
2078 specified classification and pay plans; amending s.
2079 288.036, F.S.; revising the duties of the Office of
2080 Ocean Economy; amending s. 435.12, F.S.; revising the
2081 dates for a screening schedule; amending s. 446.032,
2082 F.S.; revising the date by which the Department of
2083 Education is required to publish an annual report on
2084 apprenticeship and preapprenticeship programs;
2085 amending s. 447.203, F.S.; deleting the Florida School
2086 for Competitive Academics from the definition of a
2087 public employer; amending s. 1000.04, F.S.; deleting
2088 the Florida School for Competitive Academics from the
2089 components of Florida's Early Learning-20 education
2090 system; amending s. 1000.21, F.S.; renaming
2091 Hillsborough Community College as "Hillsborough
2092 College"; amending s. 1000.40, F.S.; revising the
2093 scheduled repeal date of the Interstate Compact on
2094 Educational Opportunity for Military Children;
2095 amending s. 1001.03, F.S.; renaming critical teacher
2096 shortage areas as "high-demand teacher needs areas";
2097 amending s. 1001.20, F.S.; deleting oversight of the
2098 Florida School for Competitive Academics from the
2099 duties of the Office of Inspector General within the



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2100 department; requiring the state board to adopt rules;
2101 amending s. 1001.452, F.S.; deleting a provision
2102 requiring the Commissioner of Education to determine
2103 whether school districts have maximized efforts to
2104 include minority persons and persons of lower
2105 socioeconomic status on their school advisory
2106 councils; creating s. 1001.68, F.S.; authorizing
2107 Florida College System institutions with a certain
2108 number of full-time equivalent students to enter into
2109 cooperative agreements to form a state college
2110 regional consortium service organization; requiring
2111 such organizations to provide at least a specified
2112 number of certain services; requiring that regional
2113 consortium service organizations be governed by a
2114 board of directors consisting of specified members;
2115 amending s. 1001.706, F.S.; deleting a requirement
2116 that state universities provide student access to
2117 certain information; amending s. 1001.7065, F.S.;
2118 revising academic standards for the preeminent state
2119 research university program to include a specified
2120 average Classic Learning Test score; amending s.
2121 1002.20, F.S.; authorizing public schools to purchase
2122 or enter into arrangements for certain emergency
2123 opioid antagonists, rather than only for naloxone;
2124 requiring that district school board policies
2125 authorizing corporal punishment include a requirement
2126 that parental consent be provided before the
2127 administration of corporal punishment; amending s.
2128 1002.33, F.S.; requiring a charter school to comply



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2129 with provisions relating to corporal punishment;
2130 repealing s. 1002.351, F.S., relating to the Florida
2131 School for Competitive Academics; amending s.
2132 1002.394, F.S.; deleting the Florida School for
2133 Competitive Academics from Family Empowerment
2134 Scholarship prohibitions; amending s. 1002.395, F.S.;
2135 deleting the Florida School for Competitive Academics
2136 from Florida Tax Credit Scholarship prohibitions;
2137 amending s. 1002.42, F.S.; authorizing certain private
2138 schools to construct new facilities on property that
2139 meets specified criteria; amending s. 1002.421, F.S.;
2140 revising the background screening requirements for
2141 certain private school personnel; amending s. 1002.68,
2142 F.S.; deleting a provision requiring the department to
2143 confer with the Council for Early Grade Success before
2144 receiving a certain approval; amending s. 1002.71,
2145 F.S.; revising the conditions under which a student
2146 may withdraw from a prekindergarten program and
2147 reenroll in another program; amending s. 1002.945,
2148 F.S.; revising the criteria required for a child care
2149 facility, large family child care home, or family day
2150 care home to obtain and maintain a designation as a
2151 Gold Seal Quality Care provider; amending s. 1003.05,
2152 F.S.; requiring that strategies addressed in specified
2153 memoranda of agreement between school districts and
2154 military installations include the development and
2155 implementation of a specified training module;
2156 requiring the Department of Education to provide the
2157 training module to each district school board;



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2158 requiring each district school board to provide such
2159 module to each public and charter K-12 school in its
2160 district; requiring district school boards to make
2161 certain training available to certain employees;
2162 amending s. 1003.41, F.S.; requiring that certain
2163 standards documents contain only academic standards
2164 and benchmarks; requiring the Commissioner of
2165 Education to revise currently approved standards
2166 documents and submit them to the state board by a
2167 specified date; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.; revising
2168 required instruction on the principles of agriculture;
2169 requiring the department to collaborate with specified
2170 entities to develop associated standards and a
2171 curriculum; authorizing the department to contract
2172 with certain agricultural education organizations;
2173 amending s. 1003.4201, F.S.; authorizing the inclusion
2174 of intensive reading interventions in a school
2175 district comprehensive reading instruction plan;
2176 requiring that intensive reading interventions be
2177 delivered by instructional personnel who possess a
2178 micro-credential or are certified or endorsed in
2179 reading; requiring that such interventions incorporate
2180 certain strategies; requiring that instructional
2181 personnel with a micro-credential be supervised by an
2182 individual certified or endorsed in reading; defining
2183 the term "supervised"; authorizing the inclusion in
2184 the reading instruction plans of a description of how
2185 school districts prioritize the assignment of highly
2186 effective teachers; amending s. 1003.4282, F.S.;



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2187 adding components to required instruction on financial
2188 literacy; amending s. 1004.04, F.S.; conforming
2189 provisions to changes made by the act; amending s.
2190 1004.0971, F.S.; revising the definition of the term
2191 "emergency opioid antagonist"; amending s. 1004.933,
2192 F.S.; authorizing an institution to enter into an
2193 agreement with an online provider for the adult
2194 education or career instruction portion of the
2195 Graduation Alternative to Traditional Education (GATE)
2196 Program; deleting the age limit for enrollment in the
2197 program; clarifying that students are not required to
2198 enroll in adult secondary and career education
2199 coursework simultaneously; amending s. 1005.06, F.S.;
2200 authorizing certain institutions to operate without
2201 licensure; specifying affirmations required as a part
2202 of an affidavit; requiring submission of requested
2203 documentation in a specified timeframe; requiring the
2204 Commission for Independent Education to review such
2205 affidavit in a public meeting; specifying commission
2206 actions for noncompliance; authorizing the commission
2207 to adopt rules; amending s. 1006.09, F.S.; expanding
2208 the duties of school principals relating to student
2209 discipline and school safety; amending s. 1006.13,
2210 F.S.; requiring district school superintendents to
2211 provide a determination to extend the expulsion period
2212 for students; providing requirements for such
2213 determination; requiring such determination be
2214 provided to students and parents; amending s. 1006.73,
2215 F.S.; revising reporting requirements relating to the



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2216 Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network;
2217 amending s. 1007.27, F.S.; requiring the state board
2218 to identify national consortia to develop certain
2219 courses; authorizing the department to join or
2220 establish a national consortium as an additional
2221 alternative method to develop and implement advanced
2222 placement courses; amending s. 1007.35, F.S.; revising
2223 which examinations public high schools are required to
2224 administer; revising the examinations about which a
2225 partnership must provide information to specified
2226 individuals and entities; revising the examinations
2227 for which the department must provide the learning
2228 data from to a certain partnership; amending s.
2229 1008.36, F.S.; revising the recipients of school
2230 recognition bonus funds; amending s. 1008.365, F.S.;
2231 revising the types of tutoring hours that may be
2232 counted toward meeting the community service
2233 requirements for the Bright Futures Scholarship
2234 Program; amending s. 1008.37, F.S.; revising the date
2235 by which the Commissioner of Education must deliver a
2236 report to specified entities; revising the
2237 requirements of the report; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.;
2238 revising the residency requirement for a grandparent
2239 for a student's out-of-state fee waiver; revising the
2240 residency criteria for a grandparent in a specified
2241 attestation; providing applicability; amending s.
2242 1009.536, F.S.; clarifying the required minimum
2243 cumulative weighted grade point average for the
2244 Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars award; authorizing



2245 students to apply for a Florida Gold Seal CAPE
2246 Scholars award within a specified timeframe before or
2247 after completing the GATE Program; amending s.
2248 1009.8962, F.S.; revising the definition of the term
2249 "institution"; amending s. 1009.897, F.S.; requiring
2250 institutions receiving funds through the Prepping
2251 Institutions, Programs, Employers, and Learners
2252 through Incentives for Nursing Education Fund to
2253 allocate funding to health care-related programs;
2254 repealing s. 1011.58, F.S., relating to legislative
2255 budget requests of the Florida School for Competitive
2256 Academics; repealing s. 1011.59, F.S., relating to
2257 funds for the Florida School for Competitive
2258 Academics; amending s. 1011.71, F.S.; revising the
2259 types of casualty insurance premiums that may be paid
2260 by a district school tax; amending s. 1011.804, F.S.;
2261 authorizing certain institutions to apply for and use
2262 grant funds under the GATE Startup Grant Program for
2263 specified purposes; amending ss. 1012.07 and 1012.22,
2264 F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the
2265 act; amending s. 1012.315, F.S.; revising the
2266 background screening requirements for certain private
2267 school personnel; providing that certain background
2268 screening requirements remain in place for a specified
2269 period of time for certain personnel; amending s.
2270 1012.77, F.S.; conforming a provision to a change made
2271 by the act; specifying entities eligible to submit
2272 nominees for the Teacher of the Year and Ambassador
2273 for Education awards; amending s. 1013.30, F.S.;



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2274 revising the timeframe for updates to state university
2275 campus master plans; amending s. 1009.531, F.S.;
2276 revising eligibility requirements for students who
2277 earn a high school diploma from a non-Florida school
2278 under certain circumstances; providing effective
2279 dates.