

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to disability history and awareness
 3 instruction; providing a short title; amending s.
 4 1003.4205, F.S.; requiring that disability history and
 5 awareness instruction include specified material;
 6 providing an effective date.

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

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 10 **Section 1.** This act may be cited as the "Evin B. Hartsell
 11 Act."

12 **Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section**
 13 **1003.4205, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:**

14 1003.4205 Disability history and awareness instruction.—

15 (2) (a) During this 2-week period, students may be provided
 16 intensive instruction to expand their knowledge, understanding,
 17 and awareness of individuals with disabilities, the history of
 18 disability, and the disability rights movement. Disability
 19 history may include the events and timelines of the development
 20 and evolution of services to, and the civil rights of,
 21 individuals with disabilities. Disability history may also
 22 include the contributions of specific individuals with
 23 disabilities, including the contributions of acknowledged
 24 national leaders. The instruction must include the following
 25 material:

26 1. For kindergarten through grade 3:

27 a. Conversations on bullying. Such conversations may
28 address what students should do if they are being bullied; what
29 they should do if they see someone being bullied; why bullying
30 is not the victim's fault; what different types of bullying look
31 like; the possibility that a friend could be a bully; or the
32 school's antibullying policy.

33 b. Activities to teach about physical disabilities.

34 2. For grades 4 through 6, information about autism
35 spectrum disorder.

36 3. For grades 7 through 9, information about hearing
37 impairments.

38 4. For grades 10 through 12, information on different
39 types of learning and intellectual disabilities.

40 **Section 3.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.