

By the Appropriations Committee on Pre-K - 12 Education; the Committee on Transportation; and Senators Leek and Rouson

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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to hazardous walking conditions;
amending s. 1006.23, F.S.; revising the criteria that
determine a hazardous walking condition for public
school students; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section
1006.23, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1006.23 Hazardous walking conditions.—

(2) HAZARDOUS WALKING CONDITIONS.—

(a) *Walkways parallel to the road.*—

1. It shall be considered a hazardous walking condition
with respect to any road along which students must walk in order
to walk to and from school if there is not an area at least 4
feet wide adjacent to the road, not including drainage ditches,
sluiceways, swales, or channels, having a surface upon which
students may walk without being required to walk on the road
surface or if the walkway is along a limited access facility as
defined in s. 334.03(12). In addition, whenever the road along
which students must walk is uncurbed and has a posted speed
limit of 50 miles per hour or greater, the area as described
above for students to walk upon shall be set off the road by no
less than 3 feet from the edge of the road.

2. Subparagraph 1. does not apply when the road along which
students must walk:

a. Is a road on which the volume of traffic is less than
180 vehicles per hour, per direction, during the time students

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30 walk to and from school; or

31 b. Is located in a residential area and has a posted speed
32 limit of 30 miles per hour or less.

33 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.