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## CHAMBER ACTION

Senate House Comm: RCS 3/19/2008

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

## Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 368 and 369 insert:

Section 5. Paragraph (c) of subsection (4) is added to section 435.04, Florida Statutes, to read:

435.04 Level 2 screening standards.--

- (4) Standards must also ensure that the person:
- (c) For child care personnel screened pursuant to s. 402.305, s. 402.3055, s. 402.313, s. 402.3131, or s. 402.316, has not been convicted of, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, regardless of adjudication, to offenses prohibited under any of the following statutes or under similar statutes of another jurisdiction:
  - 1. Section 787.025, relating to luring or enticing a child.

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- 2. Section 794.05, relating to unlawful sexual activity with certain minors.
  - 3. Section 810.14, relating to voyeurism.
  - 4. Section 810.145, relating to video voyeurism.
- 5. Any delinquent act that qualified or would have qualified an individual for inclusion on the Registered Juvenile Sex Offender List pursuant to s. 943.0435(1)(a)1.d.

Section 6. Present subsection (4) of section 1001.10, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (6), and new subsections (4) and (5) are added to that section, to read:

1001.10 Commissioner of Education; general powers and duties.--

- (4) The Department of Education shall provide technical assistance to local school districts, charter schools, the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, and private schools that accept scholarship students under chapter 1002 or s. 220.187, in the development of policies, procedures, and training related to educator ethics and employment practices.
- (5) The Department of Education shall provide authorized staff of local school districts, charter schools, the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, private schools that accept scholarship students under chapter 1002 or s. 220.187, and private providers pursuant to s. 1002.55 with secure access to or provide electronic verification of information required to effectively screen employees through the following employmentscreening tools:
- (a) The Professional Practices' Database of Disciplinary Actions Against Educators;



46 (b) The Department of Education's Teacher Certification 47 Database; and 48 (C) The Department of Education's Educator Employment Information Database. 49 (and redesignate subsequent sections) 50 51 52 ======= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= 53 54 And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 16

56 and insert:

> learning coalitions; requiring rulemaking; amending s. 435.04, F.S.; providing additional criminal offenses for screening child care personnel; amending s. 1001.10, F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to assist school districts, charter schools, the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, and certain private schools and providers in developing policies and procedures governing educator ethics and employment; requiring the department to provide authorized staff with access to or provide verification through certain employment-screening tools; amending ss.

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