

The Florida Senate
HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY

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BILL: CS/SB 2692

INTRODUCER: Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; and Senator Storms

SUBJECT: Academic Freedom

DATE: April 28, 2008

I. Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment 1 – 432103 (body with title)

II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment 1 - 432103 is a delete-everything amendment that differs from CS/SB 2692 in the following ways:

- The Senate bill provided a protected right for teachers to objectively present scientific information relating to scientific views of the teaching of evolution. These provisions are eliminated from the bill. Instead, the House amendment requires teachers to provide a thorough presentation and scientific critical analysis of the scientific theory of evolution.
- A similar provision was defeated on 3rd Reading in the Senate.