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1 A bill to be entitled  
2 An act relating to background screening for  
3 noninstructional contractors on school grounds;  
4 amending s. 1012.467, F.S.; requiring the Department  
5 of Education to create a uniform, statewide  
6 identification badge to be worn by noninstructional  
7 contractors signifying that a contractor has met  
8 specified requirements; requiring school district  
9 issuance and recognition of the identification badge;  
10 providing for validity period of the identification  
11 badge; providing for a uniform cost for receipt of the  
12 identification badge to be borne by the contractor;  
13 providing an exception for certain contractors;  
14 providing an effective date.

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

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18 Section 1. Subsection (8) is added to section 1012.467,  
19 Florida Statutes, to read:

20 1012.467 Noninstructional contractors who are permitted  
21 access to school grounds when students are present; background  
22 screening requirements.—

23 (8) (a) The Department of Education shall create a uniform,  
24 statewide identification badge to be worn by noninstructional  
25 contractors signifying that a contractor has met the  
26 requirements of this section. The school district shall issue an  
27 identification badge to the contractor, which must bear a  
28 photograph of the contractor. An identification badge shall be

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29 | issued if the contractor:

30 |       1. Is a resident and citizen of the United States or a  
31 | permanent resident alien of the United States as determined by  
32 | the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services;

33 |       2. Is 18 years of age or older; and

34 |       3. Meets the background screening requirements under this  
35 | section.

36 |       (b) The uniform, statewide identification badge shall be  
37 | recognized by all school districts and must be visible at all  
38 | times that a noninstructional contractor is on school grounds.

39 |       (c) The identification badge shall be valid for a period  
40 | of 5 years. If a noninstructional contractor provides  
41 | notification pursuant to subsection (6), the contractor shall,  
42 | within 48 hours, return the identification badge to the school  
43 | district that issued the badge.

44 |       (d) The Department of Education shall determine a uniform  
45 | cost that a school district may charge a noninstructional  
46 | contractor for receipt of the identification badge, which shall  
47 | be borne by the recipient of the badge.

48 |       (e) This subsection does not apply to noninstructional  
49 | contractors who are exempt from background screening  
50 | requirements pursuant to s. 1012.468.

51 |       Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.