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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the dual enrollment program;
3 amending s. 1007.271, F.S.; exempting dual enrollment
4 students from paying technology fees; deleting the
5 requirement for a home education secondary student to
6 be responsible for his or her own instructional
7 materials in order to participate in the dual
8 enrollment program; requiring a postsecondary
9 institution that is eligible to participate in the
10 dual enrollment program to enter into a home education
11 articulation agreement; requiring the postsecondary
12 institution to annually complete and submit the
13 agreement to the Department of Education by a
14 specified date; conforming provisions to changes made
15 by the act; requiring certain instructional materials
16 to be made available free of charge to dual enrollment
17 students in public high schools, home education
18 programs, and private schools; requiring the
19 department to review dual enrollment articulation
20 agreements submitted for home education students and
21 private school students; requiring the Commissioner of
22 Education to notify the district school board
23 superintendent and the president of the postsecondary
24 institution if the dual enrollment articulation
25 agreement does not comply with statutory requirements;
26 requiring a district school board and a Florida

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27 College System institution to annually complete and
28 submit a dual enrollment articulation agreement with a
29 state university and an eligible independent college
30 or university, as applicable, to the department by a
31 specified date; providing requirements for a private
32 school student to participate in a dual enrollment
33 program; requiring a postsecondary institution
34 eligible to participate in the dual enrollment program
35 to enter into an articulation agreement with each
36 private school student seeking enrollment in a dual
37 enrollment course and the student's parent; requiring
38 the postsecondary institution to annually complete and
39 submit the articulation agreement to the department by
40 a specified date; providing requirements for the
41 articulation agreement; amending ss. 1002.20 and
42 1011.62, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made
43 by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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47 Section 1. Subsections (2), (10), (11), (13), (16), (17),
48 (22), (23), and (24) of section 1007.271, Florida Statutes, are
49 amended to read:

50 1007.271 Dual enrollment programs.—

51 (2) For the purpose of this section, an eligible secondary
52 student is a student who is enrolled in any of grades 6 through

53 12 in a Florida public school or in a Florida private school
54 that is in compliance with s. 1002.42(2) and provides a
55 secondary curriculum pursuant to s. 1003.4282. A student
56 ~~Students~~ who is ~~are~~ eligible for dual enrollment pursuant to
57 this section may enroll in dual enrollment courses conducted
58 during school hours, after school hours, and during the summer
59 term. However, if the student is projected to graduate from high
60 school before the scheduled completion date of a postsecondary
61 course, the student may not register for that course through
62 dual enrollment. The student may apply to the postsecondary
63 institution and pay the required registration, tuition, and fees
64 if the student meets the postsecondary institution's admissions
65 requirements under s. 1007.263. Instructional time for dual
66 enrollment may vary from 900 hours; however, the full-time
67 equivalent student membership value shall be subject to ~~the~~
68 ~~provisions in~~ s. 1011.61(4). A student enrolled as a dual
69 enrollment student is exempt from the payment of registration,
70 tuition, technology, and laboratory fees. Applied academics for
71 adult education instruction, developmental education, and other
72 forms of precollegiate instruction, as well as physical
73 education courses that focus on the physical execution of a
74 skill rather than the intellectual attributes of the activity,
75 are ineligible for inclusion in the dual enrollment program.
76 Recreation and leisure studies courses shall be evaluated
77 individually in the same manner as physical education courses
78 for potential inclusion in the program.

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79 (10) Early admission is a form of dual enrollment through
80 which an eligible secondary student enrolls ~~students enroll~~ in a
81 postsecondary institution on a full-time basis in courses that
82 are creditable toward the high school diploma and the associate
83 or baccalaureate degree. A student must enroll in a minimum of
84 12 college credit hours per semester or the equivalent to
85 participate in the early admission program; however, a student
86 may not be required to enroll in more than 15 college credit
87 hours per semester or the equivalent. A student ~~Students~~
88 enrolled pursuant to this subsection is ~~are~~ exempt from the
89 payment of registration, tuition, technology, and laboratory
90 fees.

91 (11) Career early admission is a form of career dual
92 enrollment through which an eligible secondary student enrolls
93 ~~students enroll~~ full time in a career center or a Florida
94 College System institution in postsecondary programs leading to
95 industry certifications, as listed in the Postsecondary Industry
96 Certification Funding List pursuant to s. 1008.44, which are
97 creditable toward the high school diploma and the certificate or
98 associate degree. Participation in the career early admission
99 program is limited to students who have completed a minimum of 4
100 semesters of full-time secondary enrollment, including studies
101 undertaken in ~~the ninth~~ grade 9. A student ~~Students~~ enrolled
102 pursuant to this section is ~~are~~ exempt from the payment of
103 registration, tuition, technology, and laboratory fees.

104 (13) (a) The dual enrollment program for a home education

105 student ~~students~~ consists of the enrollment of an eligible home
 106 education secondary student in a postsecondary course creditable
 107 toward an associate degree, a career certificate, or a
 108 baccalaureate degree. To participate in the dual enrollment
 109 program, an eligible home education secondary student must:

- 110 1. Provide proof of enrollment in a home education program
 111 pursuant to s. 1002.41.
- 112 2. Be responsible for his or her own ~~instructional~~
 113 ~~materials and~~ transportation unless provided for otherwise.
- 114 3. Sign a home education articulation agreement pursuant
 115 to paragraph (b).

116 (b) Each postsecondary institution that is eligible to
 117 participate in the dual enrollment program pursuant to s.
 118 1011.62(1)(i) must ~~shall~~ enter into a home education
 119 articulation agreement with each home education student seeking
 120 enrollment in a dual enrollment course and the student's parent.
 121 The postsecondary institution shall annually complete and submit
 122 the home education articulation agreement to the Department of
 123 Education by August 1. The home education articulation agreement
 124 must ~~shall~~ include, at a minimum:

- 125 1. A delineation of courses and programs available to a
 126 ~~dually enrolled~~ home education student who participates in a
 127 dual enrollment program ~~students~~. The postsecondary institution
 128 may add, revise, or delete courses and programs ~~may be added,~~
 129 ~~revised, or deleted~~ at any time ~~by the postsecondary~~
 130 ~~institution~~.

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131 2. The initial and continued eligibility requirements for
 132 home education student participation, not to exceed those
 133 required of other dual enrollment ~~dually enrolled~~ students.

134 3. The student's responsibilities for providing his or her
 135 own ~~instructional materials and~~ transportation.

136 4. A copy of the statement on transfer guarantees
 137 developed by the Department of Education under subsection (15).

138 (16) A student ~~Students~~ who meets ~~meet~~ the eligibility
 139 requirements of this section and who chooses ~~choose~~ to
 140 participate in dual enrollment programs is ~~are~~ exempt from the
 141 payment of registration, tuition, technology, and laboratory
 142 fees.

143 (17) Instructional materials assigned for use within dual
 144 enrollment courses shall be made available free of charge to
 145 dual enrollment students from ~~Florida~~ public high schools in
 146 this state, home education programs pursuant to s. 1002.41, and
 147 private schools pursuant to subsection (2) free of charge. ~~This~~
 148 ~~subsection does not prohibit a Florida College System~~
 149 ~~institution from providing instructional materials at no cost to~~
 150 ~~a home education student or student from a private school.~~

151 Instructional materials purchased by a district school board or
 152 Florida College System institution board of trustees on behalf
 153 of dual enrollment students are ~~shall be~~ the property of the
 154 board against which the purchase is charged.

155 (22) The Department of Education shall develop an
 156 electronic submission system for dual enrollment articulation

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157 | agreements and shall review, for compliance, each dual
158 | enrollment articulation agreement submitted pursuant to
159 | subsections (13), ~~subsection~~ (21), and (24). The Commissioner of
160 | Education shall notify the district school superintendent and
161 | the president of the postsecondary institution that is eligible
162 | to participate in the dual enrollment program pursuant to s.
163 | 1011.62(1)(i) Florida College System institution president if
164 | the dual enrollment articulation agreement does not comply with
165 | statutory requirements and shall submit any dual enrollment
166 | articulation agreement with unresolved issues of noncompliance
167 | to the State Board of Education.

168 | (23) A district school board ~~boards~~ and a Florida College
169 | System institution ~~institutions~~ may enter into an additional
170 | dual enrollment articulation agreement ~~agreements~~ with a state
171 | university ~~universities~~ for the purposes of this section. A
172 | school district ~~districts~~ may also enter into a dual enrollment
173 | articulation agreement ~~agreements~~ with an eligible independent
174 | college or university ~~colleges and universities~~ pursuant to s.
175 | 1011.62(1)(i). The district school board and the Florida College
176 | System institution shall annually complete and submit the dual
177 | enrollment articulation agreement with the state university and
178 | an eligible independent college or university, as applicable, to
179 | the Department of Education by August 1.

180 | (24) (a) The dual enrollment program for a private school
181 | student consists of the enrollment of an eligible private school
182 | student in a postsecondary course creditable toward an associate

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183 degree, a career certificate, or a baccalaureate degree. In
184 addition, the private school in which the student is enrolled
185 must award credit toward high school completion for the
186 postsecondary course under the dual enrollment program. To
187 participate in the dual enrollment program, an eligible private
188 school student must:

189 1. Provide proof of enrollment in a private school
190 pursuant to subsection (2).

191 2. Be responsible for his or her own transportation unless
192 provided for otherwise.

193 3. Sign a private school articulation agreement pursuant
194 to paragraph (b).

195 (b) Each postsecondary institution that is eligible to
196 participate in the dual enrollment program pursuant to s.
197 1011.62(1)(i) must enter into a private school articulation
198 agreement with each private school student seeking enrollment in
199 a dual enrollment course and the student's parent. The
200 postsecondary institution shall annually complete and submit the
201 private school articulation agreement to the Department of
202 Education by August 1. The private school articulation agreement
203 must include, at a minimum:

204 1. A delineation of courses and programs available to a
205 private school student who participates in a dual enrollment
206 program. The postsecondary institution may add, revise, or
207 delete courses and programs at any time.

208 2. The initial and continued eligibility requirements for

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209 private school student participation, not to exceed those
210 required of other dual enrollment students.

211 3. The student's responsibilities for providing his or her
212 own transportation.

213 4. A copy of the statement on transfer guarantees
214 developed by the Department of Education under subsection (15)
215 ~~Postsecondary institutions may enter into dual enrollment~~
216 ~~articulation agreements with private secondary schools pursuant~~
217 ~~to subsection (2).~~

218 Section 2. Paragraph (d) of subsection (19) of section
219 1002.20, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

220 1002.20 K-12 student and parent rights.—Parents of public
221 school students must receive accurate and timely information
222 regarding their child's academic progress and must be informed
223 of ways they can help their child to succeed in school. K-12
224 students and their parents are afforded numerous statutory
225 rights including, but not limited to, the following:

226 (19) INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS.—

227 (d) Dual enrollment students.—Instructional materials
228 purchased by a district school board or Florida College System
229 institution board of trustees on behalf of ~~public school~~ dual
230 enrollment students shall be made available free of charge to
231 the dual enrollment students ~~free of charge~~, in accordance with
232 s. 1007.271(17).

233 Section 3. Paragraph (i) of subsection (1) of section
234 1011.62, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

235 1011.62 Funds for operation of schools.—If the annual
236 allocation from the Florida Education Finance Program to each
237 district for operation of schools is not determined in the
238 annual appropriations act or the substantive bill implementing
239 the annual appropriations act, it shall be determined as
240 follows:

241 (1) COMPUTATION OF THE BASIC AMOUNT TO BE INCLUDED FOR
242 OPERATION.—The following procedure shall be followed in
243 determining the annual allocation to each district for
244 operation:

245 (i) Calculation of full-time equivalent membership with
246 respect to dual enrollment instruction.—Students enrolled in
247 dual enrollment instruction pursuant to s. 1007.271 may be
248 included in calculations of full-time equivalent student
249 memberships for basic programs for grades 9 through 12 by a
250 district school board. Instructional time for dual enrollment
251 may vary from 900 hours; however, the full-time equivalent
252 student membership value shall be subject to the provisions in
253 s. 1011.61(4). Dual enrollment full-time equivalent student
254 membership shall be calculated in an amount equal to the hours
255 of instruction that would be necessary to earn the full-time
256 equivalent student membership for an equivalent course if it
257 were taught in the school district. Students in dual enrollment
258 courses may also be calculated as the proportional shares of
259 full-time equivalent enrollments they generate for a Florida
260 College System institution or university conducting the dual

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261 enrollment instruction. Early admission students shall be
262 considered dual enrollments for funding purposes. Students may
263 be enrolled in dual enrollment instruction provided by an
264 eligible independent college or university and may be included
265 in calculations of full-time equivalent student memberships for
266 basic programs for grades 9 through 12 by a district school
267 board. However, those provisions of law which exempt dual
268 enrollment students ~~dual-enrolled~~ and early admission students
269 from payment of instructional materials and tuition and fees,
270 including technology, registration, and laboratory fees, do
271 ~~shall~~ not apply to students who select the option of enrolling
272 in an eligible independent institution. An independent college
273 or university that ~~which~~ is located and chartered in Florida, is
274 not for profit, is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of
275 the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools or the
276 Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools, and
277 confers degrees as defined in s. 1005.02 is ~~shall be~~ eligible
278 for inclusion in the dual enrollment or early admission program.
279 Students enrolled in dual enrollment instruction are ~~shall be~~
280 exempt from the payment of tuition and fees, including
281 technology, registration, and laboratory fees. A ~~No~~ student
282 enrolled in college credit mathematics or English dual
283 enrollment instruction may not ~~shall~~ be funded as a dual
284 enrollment unless the student has successfully completed the
285 relevant section of the entry-level examination required
286 pursuant to s. 1008.30.

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Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.