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LEGISLATIVE ACTION .

Senate Comm: RS 04/03/2017

The Committee on Education (Simmons) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with directory and title amendments)

Delete line 59

and insert:

(a) Statewide, standardized comprehensive assessments.-The statewide, standardized Reading assessment shall be administered annually in grades 3 through 10. The statewide, standardized Writing assessment shall be administered annually at least once at the elementary, middle, and high school levels. When the Reading and Writing assessments are replaced by English Language Arts (ELA) assessments, ELA assessments shall be administered to 11

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12 students in grades 3 through 10. Retake opportunities for the 13 grade 10 Reading assessment or, upon implementation, the grade 10 ELA assessment must be provided. Students taking the ELA 14 15 assessments may shall not take the statewide, standardized 16 assessments in Reading or Writing. ELA assessments shall be 17 administered online unless the provisions of paragraph (d) are implemented. The statewide, standardized Mathematics assessments 18 19 shall be administered annually in grades 3 through 8, and shall 20 be administered online unless the provisions of paragraph (d) 21 are implemented. Students taking a revised Mathematics 22 assessment may shall not take the discontinued assessment. The 23 statewide, standardized Science assessment shall be administered 24 annually at least once at the elementary and middle grades 25 levels. In order to earn a standard high school diploma, a 26 student who has not earned a passing score on the grade 10 27 Reading assessment or, upon implementation, the grade 10 ELA 28 assessment must earn a passing score on the assessment retake or 29 earn a concordant score as authorized under subsection (8). 30 (d) Nonelectronic option.-The commissioner shall make 31 available an alternative, nonelectronic option for all statewide 32 assessments, including the statewide, standardized ELA 33 assessment, including the Writing assessment; the statewide, 34 standardized Mathematics assessment; the statewide, standardized 35 Science assessment; and the Algebra I and Biology I EOC 36 assessments. The nonelectronic option shall be made available to 37 reduce the time spent on assessments; increase instructional

38 time for students; and ensure that students demonstrate more

39 successfully a mastery of the standards being measured, that

40 students have the time to develop the word processing and

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41	computer skills necessary to take any statewide, standardized
42	assessment, and that school districts have the capacity at both
43	the school and district levels to administer the assessments
44	online.
45	(f) (e) Assessment scores and achievement levels
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47	===== DIRECTORY CLAUSE AMENDMENT ======
48	And the directory clause is amended as follows:
49	Delete lines 32 - 36
50	and insert:
51	Section 2. Present paragraphs (d) through (g) of subsection
52	(3) of section 1008.22, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as
53	paragraphs (e) through (h), respectively, paragraph (a) and
54	present paragraph (e) of that subsection are amended, and a new
55	paragraph (d) is added to that subsection, paragraph (b) of
56	subsection (7) of that section is amended, present paragraphs
57	(c) through (f) and present paragraph (g) of subsection (7) of
58	that section are redesignated as paragraphs (e) through (h) and
59	paragraph (j), respectively, present paragraph (f) of that
60	section is amended, and new
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63	And the title is amended as follows:
64	Delete lines 11 - 13
65	and insert:
66	F.S.; providing an exception to the requirement that
67	ELA assessments be administered online; requiring that
68	Mathematics assessments be administered online;
69	providing an exception; revising provisions relating

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70	to achievement levels for certain statewide,
71	standardized assessments; requiring the commissioner
72	to make an alternative, nonelectronic assessment
73	option available for statewide assessments; providing
74	requirements for administration

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