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The Florida Senate

COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION Senator Broxson, Chair Senator Diaz, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE:	Wednesday, March 10, 2021
TIME:	3:15—5:00 p.m.
PLACE:	Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building

MEMBERS: Senator Broxson, Chair; Senator Diaz, Vice Chair; Senators Cruz, Gibson, Gruters, Hutson, Passidomo, Polsky, and Wright

AB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
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1	CS/SB 200 Education / Berman (Identical H 1025)	Student Retention; Authorizing a parent to request that his or her student be retained in a grade level for a specified school year; requiring such a request to be submitted in a specified manner; requiring school district superintendents to grant such requests if they are timely received; requiring a retained student to remain in the grade in which he or she was retained in until the student qualifies for promotion at the end of the school year; requiring school districts to report certain data to the Department of Education by a specified date, etc. ED 02/03/2021 Fav/CS AED 03/10/2021 Fav/CS AP	Fav/CS Yeas 8 Nays 0
2	SB 1436 Gruters (Similar H 847)	Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network; Revising provisions relating to the awareness of certain postsecondary education programs and initiatives; deleting provisions relating to the Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative; providing that the Board of Governors and the Department of Education will oversee a host entity chosen to deliver certain services; transferring responsibility for certain statewide online student advising services to the host entity; requiring the chancellors of the State University System and the Florida College System to provide a certain report, etc. ED 03/02/2021 Favorable AED 03/10/2021 Fav/CS AP	Fav/CS Yeas 8 Nays 0

Other Related Meeting Documents

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Please see Section IX. for Additional Information:

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE - Substantial Changes

I. Summary:

PCS/CS/SB 200 authorizes a parent or guardian to request that his or her K-8 public school student be retained, for the 2021-2022 school year, in the grade level to which the student was assigned at the beginning of the 2020-21 school year. Specifically, the bill:

- Requires parents or guardians to submit a retention request in writing to the school principal by June 30, 2021;
- Requires the principal to consider the retention request if timely filed and inform the student's teachers of the request;
- Allows, in lieu of retention, the development of an education plan with the intent of helping the student return to grade level readiness;
- Allows the parent or guardian to have the final decision regarding the promotion or retention of the student;
- Allows a middle school student who is retained to retake high school credits toward grade forgiveness, if the student earned a grade of "C" or lower in the high school level course; and
- Requires school districts to report to the Department of Education the number of retained students under this act.

The bill has no impact on state revenues or expenditures.

The bill takes effect upon becoming a law.

II. Present Situation:

Student Progression

Each district school board must establish a plan for student progression from one grade to another based on the student's mastery of the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards.¹ The plan must, among other things:

- Emphasize student reading proficiency in grades K-3 and provide targeted instructional support for students with identified deficiencies.
- Use results of statewide, standardized assessments and end-of-course assessments to advise high school students of any identified deficiencies and to provide appropriate preparatory instruction.
- Provide for timely information to a student's teacher and parent evaluation results of progress monitoring in grades K-12.
- Provide requirements and notification procedures regarding student participation in wholegrade promotion, midyear promotion², or subject-matter acceleration.³

Statewide Standardized Assessments

The primary purpose of the student assessment program is to provide student academic achievement and learning gains data to students, parents, and schools. The program is designed to, in part:

- Assess the achievement level and annual learning gains of each student in English Language Arts and mathematics and the achievement level in all other subjects assessed.
- Identify the educational strengths and needs of students and the readiness of students to be promoted to the next grade level or to graduate from high school.⁴

Each student must participate in the statewide, standardized assessment program in grades 3 through 10.⁵ Students who do not achieve a Level 3 or above on the statewide, standardized English Language Arts (ELA) assessment, the statewide, standardized Mathematics assessment, or the Algebra I EOC assessment must be evaluated to determine the nature of the student's difficulty, the areas of academic need, and strategies for providing academic supports to improve the student's performance.⁶

Any student in grades K-3 who exhibits a substantial deficiency⁷ in reading must be provided interventions immediately following the identification of the reading deficiency.⁸

¹ Sections 1003.41 and 1008.25, F.S. The plan must focus specifically on ELA, math, science, and social studies standards. ² Midyear promotion means promotion of a retained student at any time during the year of retention once the student has demonstrated ability to read at grade level. Section 1008.25(5)(c)8., F.S.

³ Section 1008.25(2), F.S.

⁴ Section 1008.22(1), F.S.

⁵ Sections 1008.22, F.S and 1008.25(4)(a), F.S.

⁶ Section 1008.25(4)(a), F.S.

⁷ Determination of a substantial deficiency is based upon screening, diagnostic, progress monitoring, or assessment data; statewide assessments; or teacher observations. Section 1008.25(5)(a), F.S. School districts are required determine the criteria used by the district to identify K-3 students with a substantial deficiency in reading. Fla. Admin. Code R. 6A-10.053(9)(c)3.

⁸ Section 1008.25(5)(a), F.S.

Student Retention

Florida law specifies that no student may be assigned to a grade level based solely on age or other factors that constitute social promotion.⁹

To be promoted to grade 4, a student must score a Level 2 or higher on the statewide, standardized ELA assessment required for grade 3. The student must be retained if the student's reading deficiency is not remedied by the end of grade 3, by scoring a Level 2 or higher on the statewide, standardized assessment required for grade 3.¹⁰

The district school board may only exempt students from mandatory retention in grade 3 for good cause. A student who is promoted to grade 4 with a good cause exemption must be provided intensive reading instruction and intervention. Good cause exemptions are limited to students in grade 3 and relate to limited English proficiency students, students with disabilities, the use of alternative assessments or portfolios, and students previously retained in grades K-3.¹¹

In the 2018-2019 school year, 28,436 students were promoted to grade 4 based on a good cause exemption.¹²

Based on data from the Florida Department of Education (DOE),¹³ there was an overall 43 percent reduction in statewide K-12 student retention rates for the 2019-20 school year compared to the previous 5-year average. The reduction in statewide K-8 retention rates for the same period was 50 percent. Students in grade 3 had the most significant reduction in retention rates, with a 77 percent reduction in grade 3 student retentions in 2019-20 compared to the previous 5-year average. See table below for a breakdown of the data provided form the DOE.

⁹ Section 1008.25(6)(a), F.S.

¹⁰ Section 1008.25(5)(b), F.S.

¹¹ Section 1008.25(6)(b), F.S.

¹² Pursuant to Florida Department of Education Emergency (DOE) Order No. 2020-EO-01, spring K-12 statewide assessment test administrations for the 2019-20 school year were canceled. DOE, *Emergency Order No. 2020-EO-01, March 23, 2020 available at* <u>http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/19861/urlt/DOEORDERNO2020-EO-01.pdf</u>. Therefore, 3rd grade good cause exemption data are not available for the 2019-20 school year. Florida Department of Education, *3rd Grade Promotions: Good Cause Exemption 2018-19 available at* <u>http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/data-sys/edu-info-accountability-services/pk-12-public-school-data-pubs-reports/students.stml</u>, and DOE, *3rd Grade Promotions: Good Cause Exemption 2017-18 available at* <u>http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/data-sys/edu-info-accountability-services/pk-12-public-school-data-pubs-reports/students.stml</u>, and DOE, *3rd Grade Promotions: Good Cause Exemption 2014-15 to 2017-18 available at* <u>http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/data-sys/edu-info-accountability-services/pk-12-public-school-data-pubs-reports/archive.stml</u> (last visited Jan. 27, 2021).

¹³ Senate staff analysis of DOE, *Retention Rates by District 2019-20 available at* <u>http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/data-sys/edu-info-accountability-services/pk-12-public-school-data-pubs-reports/students.stml</u>, and DOE, *Retention Rates by District 2014-15 to 2018-19 available at* <u>http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/data-sys/edu-info-accountability-services/pk-12-public-school-data-pubs-reports/students.stml</u>, and DOE, *Retention Rates by District 2014-15 to 2018-19 available at* <u>http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/data-sys/edu-info-accountability-services/pk-12-public-school-data-pubs-reports/students.stml</u>, and DOE, *Retention Rates by District 2014-15 to 2018-19 available at* <u>http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/data-sys/edu-info-accountability-services/pk-12-public-school-data-pubs-reports/students.stml</u> (last visited Jan. 27, 2021).

	Total	Percent			Percent
	Retained	Retained			Reduction in
	5-year	5-year	Total	Percent	Retained
	Average	Average	Retained	Retained	Students 2014-19
Grade	2014-15 to 2018-19	2014-15 to 2018-19	2019-20	2019-20	to 2019-20
K	6,894	3.40%	4,710	2.33%	32%
1	7,647	3.63%	4,830	2.34%	37%
2	4,941	2.31%	2,862	1.38%	42%
3	16,841	7.55%	3,805	1.74%	77%
4	2,289	1.06%	669	0.32%	71%
5	1,464	0.68%	521	0.24%	64%
6	2,621	1.25%	1,719	0.77%	34%
7	3,525	1.70%	2,370	1.09%	33%
8	5,445	2.61%	4,260	1.94%	22%
9	7,714	3.60%	4,670	2.14%	39%
10	8,776	4.21%	6,115	2.89%	30%
11	7,852	4.06%	4,651	2.36%	41%
12	11,351	5.83%	8,270	4.08%	27%
Total	87,360	3.21%	49,452	1.80%	43%

COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

In response to the COVID-19 emergency, the DOE issued an Executive Order (EO),¹⁴ which cancelled remaining K-12 state assessments for the 2019-2020 school year.¹⁵ The EO also authorized school districts and other educational entities to evaluate students for promotion, graduation, and final course grades for the 2019-2020 school year, without consideration of the assessments that were cancelled.¹⁶

Resulting state guidance relating to the cancellation of state assessments specified that, because the Grade 3 ELA FSA was a key component districts used to make promotion decisions, and such data would not be available due to the cancellation of statewide assessments for the 2019-2020 school year, promotion decisions should be made in consultation with parents, teachers, and school leaders based on the students' classroom performance and progress monitoring data. The guidance also specified that parents should have the ability to request retention of their child in the current grade for the 2020-2021 year.¹⁷

¹⁴ Florida Department of Education, *Emergency Order No. 2020-EO-01, March 23, 2020 available at* <u>http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/19861/urlt/DOEORDERNO2020-EO-01.pdf.</u>

¹⁵ *Id., Section 4. Assessment, Accountability and Promotion, March 23, 2020 available at* <u>http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/19861/urlt/DOEORDERNO2020-EO-01.pdf.</u>

¹⁶ Florida Department of Education, Coronavirus (COVID-19), K-12 Public, Private & Charter Schools, Assessments, Accountability and Promotion <u>http://www.fldoe.org/em-response/schools.stml</u> (last visited Jan. 27, 2021).

¹⁷ DOE, *Q&A Guidance*, <u>http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/19861/urlt/FDOE-COVID-QA1.pdf</u> at p. 2.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

The bill authorizes a parent or guardian to request that his or her K-8 public school student be retained, for the 2021-2022 school year, in the grade level to which the student was assigned at the beginning of the 2020-21 school year.

The bill specifies that a parent or guardian who wishes for his or her K-8 student to be retained must submit a retention request in writing to the school principal, specifying the academic reason for the retention. Only retention requests received by the principal on or before June 30, 2021, must be considered.

The bill requires that the principal inform the student's teacher and collaboratively discuss the request with the parent or guardian. In lieu of retention, a customized education plan may be developed for the student to return to grade level readiness by the end of the next academic year.

The bill specifies that the parent or guardian has the final decision whether to retain the student.

The bill allows a middle school student who is retained to retake high school credits toward grade forgiveness, if the student earned a grade of "C" or lower in the high school level course.

The bill requires school districts to report to the Department of Education the number of students retained pursuant to this act for all or part of the 2021-2022 school year.

The bill may likely provide parents with greater authority to determine that their child should be retained in the 2021-2022 school year. However, this authority is granted only for the 2021-2022 school year, unless extended by legislative action.

The bill takes effect upon becoming a law.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

D. State Tax or Fee Increases:

None.

E. Other Constitutional Issues:

None.

V. Fiscal Impact Statement:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

PCS/CS/SB 200 has no impact on state revenues or expenditures for fiscal year 2021-2022. However, to the extent the bill increases student retention, it could affect the number of FTE projected for funding as students may remain in the public K-12 system longer.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Statutes Affected:

The bill creates an unnumbered section of Florida Law.

IX. Additional Information:

A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Substantial Changes: (Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

Recommended CS/CS by Appropriations Subcommittee on Education on March 10, 2021

The committee substitute:

- Adds that in addition to a parent, a guardian may also make a retention request.
- Changes the request from being automatically granted by the superintendent to being a request that shall be considered by the school principal in consultation with the teachers.
- Adds that the submitted request must specify the academic reason for the retention.
- Adds a provision that in lieu of retention, the principal in consultation with the teacher and parent or guardian may develop an education plan for the student to return to grade level readiness by the end of the next academic year.

- Retains the provision that the parent has final determination if their child is retained.
- Allows a middle school student who is retained to retake high school credits toward grade forgiveness.
- Removes the prohibition that a student retained does not qualify for a midyear promotion.

CS by Education on February 3, 2021

The committee substitute:

- Limits the retention request eligibility for K-8 students, rather than K-12 students.
- Modifies the request deadline from June 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021.
- Removes the requirement in the bill for school districts to administer midyear and annual statewide assessments to students retained under this act.
- Removes the option of midyear promotion eligibility for students retained under this act.
- Modifies from June 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022, the school district reporting date to the Department of Education.
- Omits the repeal of the act on June 30, 2022; however the act is created only within Florida Law.
- B. Amendments:

None.

This Senate Bill Analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's introducer or the Florida Senate.

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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House . Comm: RCS 03/12/2021 Appropriations Subcommittee on Education (Berman) recommended the following: Senate Amendment (with title amendment) Delete lines 20 - 37 and insert: parent or guardian may request that his or her K-8 public school student be retained for the 2021-2022 school year in the grade level to which the student was assigned at the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year, provided that such request is made for academic reasons. (1) A parent or guardian who wishes for his or her student

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11	to be retained as provided by this act must submit, in writing,
12	to the school principal a retention request that specifies the
13	academic reasons for the retention. Only requests received by
14	the principal on or before June 30, 2021, must be considered. A
15	principal may consider a request received after that date at his
16	or her discretion.
17	(2)(a) A principal who considers a retention request
18	submitted pursuant to subsection (1) shall inform the student's
19	teachers of the retention request and collaboratively discuss
20	with the parent or guardian any basis for agreement or
21	disagreement with the request.
22	(b) In lieu of retention, the principal, teachers, and
23	parent or guardian may collaborate to develop a customized 1-
24	year education plan for the student with the intent of helping
25	the student return to grade level readiness by the end of the
26	next academic year. Such plan may include, but need not be
27	limited to, supplemental educational support, services, and
28	interventions; summer education; promotion in some, but not all,
29	courses; and midyear promotion.
30	(c) The parent or guardian's decision to promote or retain
31	his or her student after discussing the retention request with
32	the principal shall control.
33	(3) A middle school student who is retained under this
34	section may be eligible to retake high school credits earned
35	toward grade forgiveness pursuant to s. 1003.4282(5) only if he
36	or she has earned a grade of "C", "D," or "F." in the class for
37	which the credits were awarded.
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40	And the title is amended as follows:
41	Delete lines 4 - 13
42	and insert:
43	in a grade level for academic reasons for a specified
44	school year; requiring that such a request be
45	submitted in a specified manner; requiring school
46	principals to consider such requests if they are
47	timely received; authorizing school principals to
48	consider requests that are not timely received;
49	requiring a school principal that considers a request
50	to inform the student's teachers of the request and
51	collaboratively discuss with the parent or guardian
52	any basis for agreement or disagreement with the
53	request; authorizing the principal, teachers, and
54	parent or guardian to collaborate to develop a
55	customized 1-year education plan for the student in
56	lieu of retaining the student; requiring a parent or
57	guardian's decision to control; prohibiting a retained
58	middle school student from retaking certain classes;
59	requiring school districts to report

By the Committee on Education; and Senator Berman

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14	certain data to the Department of Education by a		
15	specified date; providing an effective date.		
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17	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:		
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19	Section 1. Notwithstanding s. 1008.25, Florida Statutes, a		
20	parent may request to retain his or her K-8 public school		
21	student in the grade level to which the student was assigned at		
22	the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year for the 2021-2022		
23	school year.		
24	(1) A parent who wishes for his or her student to be		
25	retained under this act shall submit a retention request in		
26	writing to the school district superintendent. Only requests		
27	received by the superintendent on or before June 30, 2021, must		
28	be considered. A school district superintendent who timely		
29	receives such a request shall grant the request. A school		
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30	district superintendent who receives such a written request
31	after the deadline for receipt may grant the request upon his or
32	her discretion.
33	(2) A student retained at the request of a parent pursuant
34	to this act may not qualify for midyear promotion pursuant to s.
35	1002.3105, Florida Statutes, and shall remain in the grade in
36	which he or she was retained until the student qualifies for
37	promotion at the end of the school year.
38	(3) By June 30, 2022, school districts shall report to the
39	Department of Education the number of students retained pursuant
40	to this act for all or part of the 2021-2022 school year.
41	Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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The Florida Senate

Committee Agenda Request

To:	Senator Doug Broxson, Chair
	Appropriations Subcommittee on Education

Subject: Committee Agenda Request

Date: February 5, 2021

I respectfully request that **Senate Bill #200**, relating to Student Retention, be placed on the:



committee agenda at your earliest possible convenience.



next committee agenda.

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Senator Lori Berman Florida Senate, District 31

Cc: Senator Manny Diaz, Jr., Vice Chair Tim Elwell, Staff Director JoAnne Bennett, Administrative Assistant

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I. Summary:

PCS/SB 1436 establishes the Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network (Network) under the joint oversight of the Office of the Board of Governors (BOG) and the Department of Education, and repeals the Complete Florida Plus Program (Complete Florida Plus). The bill retains certain functions from Complete Florida Plus Program, with modifications, and adds new functions. The bill:

- Maintains Complete Florida Plus purposes related to distance learning courses and degree programs, and online academic support services, but specifies that the Network purposes must include providing recommendations on the use and distribution of open-access textbooks and education resources, and innovative pricing techniques as a method to reduce costs.
- Specifies that the Network single library automation system and associated resources and services must include a shared Internet-based catalog and discovery tool, an Internet-based searchable collection of electronic resources, an integrated library management system, and a statewide searchable database that includes an inventory of digital archives and collections that public postsecondary education institutions hold.
- Increases reporting requirements on host entity performance in delivering specified services.
- Maintains an online admissions and computer-assisted student advising system.
- Requires, by June 1, 2022, the Commissioner of Education and the Chancellor of the BOG to provide a joint recommendation for a process by which school district career centers and charter technical career centers would access appropriate Network services.

The bill will require a state recurring appropriation. See Section V for fiscal comments.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2021.

II. Present Situation:

Complete Florida Plus Program Funding for Fiscal Year 2020-2021

In June 2020, the Governor vetoed the \$29.4 million appropriation in the 2020-2021 budget for the Complete Florida Plus Program.¹ The program provided support services for distance learning, libraries, and student services. These services were provided to all 40 Florida College System (FCS) and State University System (SUS) institutions. Beginning July 2020, the Florida Department of Education and Board of Governors used limited carryforward funds and nonrecurring contributions from the 40 institutions' funds to ensure that the distance learning and library services components of the program were not disrupted for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.²

Complete Florida Plus Program

In 2014, the Legislature amended the Florida Virtual Campus (FLVC) to be the Complete Florida Plus Program (Complete Florida Plus) and in 2015 moved management of the FLVC to the University of West Florida's (UWF's) Division of Research and Strategic Innovation, where its mission and purpose remained the same. The units under FLVC included the Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative and the Distance Learning and Student Services.³

Complete Florida Plus was created at the UWF to:

- Facilitate degree completion for Florida's adult learners through the Complete Florida Degree Initiative;⁴
- Maintain and manage Florida's online catalog of distance learning courses, degree programs, and resources;
- Provide statewide online student advising services and support;
- Provide information regarding and access to distance learning courses and degree programs offered by public postsecondary education institutions within the state;
- Coordinate with the Florida College System (FCS) and the State University System (SUS) to identify and provide online academic support services and resources when the multi-institutional provision of such services and resources is more cost effective or operationally effective; and
- Administer the Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative and consult with the chancellors of the FCS and the SUS regarding the implementation and operations of the cooperative.⁵

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<sup>4</sup> See s. 1006.735(2), F.S.
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¹ Governor Ron DeSantis, 2020 Veto List (2020), available at <u>https://www.flgov.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/2020-Veto-List.pdf</u>, at 5.

² Board of Governors, *Agency Legislative Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2021-2022, available at* <u>http://floridafiscalportal.state.fl.us/Document.aspx?ID=21014&DocType=PDF</u>, at 180-183.

³ Florida Virtual Campus, *Organization Profile*, <u>https://www.flvc.org/organization-profile</u> (last visited Feb. 26, 2021). The Florida Virtual Campus (FLVC) was created in 2012 by the Florida Legislature through the consolidation of four statewide organizations: the College Center for Library Automation, the Florida Distance Learning Consortium.

⁵ Distance Learning and Student Services, *Complete Florida Plus Program*, <u>https://dlss.flvc.org/about/legislation-regulation/complete-florida-plus-program</u> (last visited Feb. 25, 2021). *See also* s. 1006.735(1), F.S.

Complete Florida Plus was required to make available online student advising services and support, including all of the following:

- A streamlined online admissions application process, to be used by all postsecondary institutions, for undergraduate transient students currently enrolled and pursuing a degree at a public postsecondary education institution who enroll in a course offered by a public postsecondary education institution that is not the student's degree-granting institution. UWF is required to work with FCS institutions and state universities as specified in law.
- A K-20 statewide computer-assisted student advising system to support career and education planning for the K-12 system and the process of advising, registering, and certifying postsecondary students for graduation and to include a degree audit and an articulation component. FCS institutions and state universities are to interface institutional advising systems with the statewide computer-assisted student advising system that meets minimum specified requirements.
- A method for identifying and evaluating new technologies and instructional methods for improving distance learning instruction and development for faculty, student learning outcomes, student access, the efficient delivery of student support services, the alignment of degrees to career needs, and the overall quality of postsecondary distance learning courses and degree programs.
- Help desk support and training and consultation services to institutions and students using Complete Florida Plus services and resources.
- Negotiation of statewide licensing resources and preferred pricing agreements, issuing purchase orders, and entering into contracts for the acquisition of distance learning resources, student and support services, electronic resources, and other goods and services necessary.
- Development and implementation of a plan, in consultation with public postsecondary education institutions, which describes the services and resources available through Complete Florida Plus to encourage current and prospective students' use.⁶

Complete Florida Plus developed and managed a statewide Internet-based catalog of distance learning courses, degree programs, and resources offered by public postsecondary education institutions which is intended to assist in the coordination and collaboration of articulation and access. Operational procedures for the catalog must:

- Require participating institutions to provide specified information concerning the distance learning course or degree program.
- Require that distance learning courses and degree programs meet applicable accreditation standards and criteria.
- Require that the catalog is reviewed and updated frequently to ensure compliance with operational procedures.
- Define and describe the catalog's search and retrieval options that will allow users to search by specified criteria, at a minimum.
- Use an Internet-based analytic tool that allows the collection and analysis of specified data.⁷

⁶ Section 1006.735(4), F.S.

⁷ Section 1006.735(3), F.S.

The UWF is required to submit a report on an annual basis to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives regarding the implementation and operation of all components of Complete Florida Plus, including information and associated costs relating to the services and functions of the program.⁸

The Northwest Regional Data Center⁹ is required by law to provide all data center services necessary to support the statewide Internet-based catalog established and the statewide online student advising services and support.¹⁰

Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative

The Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative (FALSC) provides a single library automation system and associated resources and services for all public postsecondary institutions to use to support learning, teaching, and research needs.¹¹ The FALSC develops and manages a library information portal and automated library management tools for use by FCS institutions and state universities.¹²

The FALSC is a unit of the FLVC which operates the integrated library system used by public colleges and university libraries statewide. The FALSC also provides more than 150,000 unique, digital archive and collection items and a statewide collection of over 400,000 online journals, e-books, and e-resources, available to assist nearly 1.3 million students, faculty, and staff throughout Florida.¹³

Products and services offered by the FALSC include:

- Management and maintenance of the statewide collection of e-resources available to students at all 40 public colleges and universities.¹⁴
- A shared catalog of library holdings for students to search for materials owned by any college or university in Florida.
- An integrated library system used by libraries to manage their local collections.
- Collaboration with public post-secondary education institutions to create and support Florida libraries' digital archives and collections.
- Negotiation and procurement of e-resources for individual institutions through a group licensing process.
- In-person training and consultation on the FALSC products and services, in addition to online webinars, instruction, and self-paced training for all college and university libraries.

⁸ Section 1006.735(5), F.S. *See* Florida Virtual Campus, *Complete Florida Plus Program 2019 Annual Report* (2019), *available at* <u>https://www.flvc.org/documents/96858/1300774/CFPP+2019+Annual+Report.pdf/fcdee5fd-f6e4-014d-89c1-0efbc42f9b58</u>.

⁹ See s. 1004.649, F.S.

¹⁰ Section 1006.735(6), F.S.

¹¹ Section 1006.73(1), F.S.

¹² Section 1006.73(2), F.S.

¹³ Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative, *About FALSC*, <u>https://libraries.flvc.org/about-falsc</u> (last visited Feb. 25, 2021).

¹⁴ Students enrolled in Florida public secondary schools are required to have access to state funded electronic library resources licensed by the Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative. Fla. Admin. Code R. 6A-7.077. Public secondary school students enrolled in the articulated acceleration programs are also eligible to use electronic library resources funded by the Florida Center for Library Automation. Board of Governors Regulation 6.012.

- A centralized Help Desk providing user and technical support for the FALSC library services.
- A statewide open education community to promote and support textbook affordability and Open Educational Resources.¹⁵

Distance Learning and Student Services

Distance Learning and Student Services (DLSS) provides an array of innovative educational services for students, educators, and administrators in Florida. The DLSS operates several statewide services that impact the success of the state's students, of which is FloridaShines.¹⁶

FloridaShines

FloridaShines works with the state's public colleges and universities and other partners as a website where students can check their transcripts, register for online courses, search academic libraries across the state, and compare colleges and universities, among other activities, at no cost to the student.¹⁷

MyCareerShines

MyCareerShines provides career education and associated academic advising as a portal for Complete Florida Plus.¹⁸ The FLVC's MyCareerShines career exploration system allows individuals to take skill and interest assessments and match their results to profiles of potential careers, while emphasizing those with high-growth potential in Florida. Cost-free resources available assist in creating an education plan, searching for scholarships, writing a resume, interviewing, and locating available jobs in Florida. MyCareerShines offers specialized modules for PreK-5 students, middle and high school students, college and university students, and adults.¹⁹

MyCareerShines has registered more than 859,000 users, with more than 1.2 million career assessments completed by middle school, high school, college, and adult users of the system. MyCareerShines is being used in approximately 3,400 middle school, high school and postsecondary institutions throughout Florida.²⁰

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

The bill establishes the Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network (Network) under the joint oversight of the Office of the Board of Governors (BOG) and the Department of Education

¹⁵ *Id*.

 ¹⁶ Florida Virtual Campus, Organization Profile, <u>https://www.flvc.org/organization-profile</u> (last visited Feb. 26, 2021).
 ¹⁷ Id.

¹⁸ Florida Virtual Campus, Complete Florida Plus Program 2019 Annual Report (2019), available at

https://www.flvc.org/documents/96858/1300774/CFPP+2019+Annual+Report.pdf/fcdee5fd-f6e4-014d-89c1-0efbc42f9b58, at 1.

¹⁹ *Id.*, at 3.

²⁰ Florida Virtual Campus, Complete Florida Plus Program 2019 Annual Report (2019), available at

https://www.flvc.org/documents/96858/1300774/CFPP+2019+Annual+Report.pdf/fcdee5fd-f6e4-014d-89c1-0efbc42f9b58, at 13.

(DOE) in place of the Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative, and repeals the Complete Florida Plus Program (Complete Florida Plus).

The bill declares that the purpose of the Network is to deliver specified services to public postsecondary education institutions in Florida, namely all Florida College System (FCS) and State University System (SUS) institutions. The bill retains the general purpose of Complete Florida Plus, which includes the following services:

- Provision of information regarding and access to distance learning courses and degree programs offered by public postsecondary education institutions within the state.
- Coordination with the FCS and SUS to identify and provide online academic support services and resources when the multi-institutional provision of such services and resources is more cost effective or operationally effective.
- Administration of a single library automation system and associated resources and services that all public postsecondary institutions use to support learning, teaching, and research needs, and development of automated library management tools.

The bill also adds to the Network the following services and functions:

- To the single library automation system:
 - A shared Internet-based catalog and discovery tool that allows a user to search and, if authorized, access the aggregate library holdings of the state's public postsecondary education institutions. The catalog and discovery tool must allow a user to search the library holdings of one institution, selected institutions, or all institutions and, to the extent feasible, must include an interlibrary loan function that ensures an authorized user can access the required library holding.
 - An Internet-based searchable collection of electronic resources which must include, but not be limited to, full-text journals, articles, databases, and electronic books licensed as specified.
 - An integrated library management system and its associated services that all public postsecondary education institution academic libraries must use for purposes of acquiring, cataloging, circulating, and tracking library material.
 - A statewide searchable database that includes an inventory of digital archives and collections held by public postsecondary education institutions.
- Coordination, with FCS institutions' and state universities' library staff, of the negotiation of statewide licensing of electronic library resources and preferred pricing agreements, issue purchase orders, and entering into contracts for the acquisition of library support services, electronic resources, and other goods and services necessary to carry out its authorized duties.
- Promotion and provision of recommendations concerning the use and distribution of openaccess textbooks and education resources and innovative pricing techniques as a method for reducing costs.
- Provision of appropriate help desk support and training and consultation services to institutions and students.

The bill maintains from Complete Florida Plus a statewide Internet-based catalog of distance learning courses, degree programs, and resources offered by public postsecondary education

institutions, intended to assist in the coordination and collaboration of articulation and access specified in law.²¹

In addition, the bill expands on functions in the Complete Florida Plus catalog of distance learning courses, to specify that the host entity is responsible for developing and disseminating operational procedures and technical guidelines for the catalog, to be followed by all participating institutions, which guidelines must address all of the following:

- Specific information concerning the distance learning course or degree program, including but not limited to course number, classification of instructional programs number, and information on the availability of the course or degree program; any prerequisite course or technology competency or skill; the availability of academic support services and financial aid resources; and course costs, fees, and payment policies.
- Definitions and descriptions of the catalog's search and retrieval options that will at a minimum allow users to search by academic term or course start date; institution, multiple institutions, or all institutions; and course or program delivery methods, course type, course availability, subject or discipline, and course number or classification of instructional programs number.
- An Internet-based analytic tool that allows for the collection and analysis of data as to usage of resources accessed or interaction with constituent institutions whose courses and programs are listed in the catalog.
- Frequent review and updates to institution catalogs to ensure that distance learning courses and degree programs comply with operational procedures.

The bill retains Complete Florida Plus student advising and support, with some modifications. Specifically, the bill requires the student advising services to provide all of the following:

- A streamlined online admissions application process, to be used by all public postsecondary institutions, for undergraduate transient students currently enrolled and pursuing a degree at a public postsecondary education institution who enroll in a course offered by a public postsecondary education institution that is not the student's degree-granting institution, which must:
 - Use the transient student admissions application available through the statewide computer-assisted student advising system as specified. This admissions application is the only application required for enrollment of a transient student as described;
 - Implement the financial aid procedures required by the transient student admissions application process;
 - Transfer credit awarded by the institution offering the course to the transient student's degree-granting institution; and
 - Provide an interface between the institutional advising system and the statewide computer-assisted student advising system established, in order to electronically send, receive, and process the transient student admissions application.
- A statewide computer-assisted student advising system to support the process of advising, registering, and capturing student progression toward a degree and career and which must include a degree audit and an articulation component.
- A method for identifying and evaluating new technologies and instructional methods for improving distance learning instruction and development for faculty, student learning

²¹ Sections 1007.01 - 1007.273, F.S.

outcomes, student access, the efficient delivery of student support services, and the overall quality of postsecondary distance learning courses and degree programs.

• Negotiation of statewide licensing resources and preferred pricing agreements, issuing purchase orders, and entering into contracts for the acquisition of distance learning resources, student and support services, electronic resources, and other goods and services necessary.

The bill requires FCS institutions and state universities to interface institutional advising systems with the statewide computer-assisted student advising system, which must, at a minimum:

- Allow a student to access the system at any time;
- Supports K-12 career and education planning;
- Allow a student to search public postsecondary education institutions and identify course options that will meet the requirements of a selected path toward a degree;
- Audit transcripts of students enrolled in a public postsecondary education institution to assess current academic standing, the requirements for a student to transfer to another institution, and all requirements necessary for graduation;
- Serve as the official statewide repository for the common prerequisite manual, admissions information for transferring programs, foreign language requirements, residency requirements, and statewide articulation agreements;
- Provide information relating to career descriptions and corresponding educational requirements, admissions requirements, and available student financial assistance sources; and
- Provide the admissions application for transient students as specified, which must include the electronic transfer and receipt of information and records for admissions and readmissions, financial aid, and transfer of credit awarded by the institution offering the course to the transient student's degree-granting institution using the Florida Automated System for Transferring Educational Records (the "FASTER System").

The bill changes the host from the UWF, but retains a reporting requirement similar to Complete Florida Plus. The bill requires the host entity, beginning December 31, 2021, and each year thereafter, to submit a report to the Chancellors of the SUS and FCS regarding the implementation and operation of all components described, including, but not limited to, usage information collected, information and associated costs relating to the services and functions of the program, and the implementation and operation of the automated library services. The chancellors are required to provide an annual report on the performance of the host entity in delivering the services and any recommendations for changes needed to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the BOG, and the State Board of Education.

The bill assigns the Office of the BOG and the DOE joint responsibility for determining the host entity for the services described and sharing in the receipt and administration of an associated appropriation as described in the General Appropriations Act. The Chancellors of the FCS and BOG are required to provide oversight for successful delivery by the host entity of the services described. The bill also removes the requirement under Complete Florida Plus that the Northwest Regional Data Center support the Network.

The bill adds a new requirement that the Commissioner of Education and the Chancellor of the SUS must, by June 1, 2022, provide a joint recommendation for a process by which school district career centers operated pursuant to state law and charter technical career centers operated pursuant to state law would access appropriate postsecondary distance learning, student support services, and library assets described. The recommendation must include an analysis of the resources necessary to expand access and assets to centers and their students.

Where applicable, the bill updates statutory references to specified services provided by the Network to read Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network.

In accordance with the repeal of Complete Florida Plus, the bill removes statutory references to Complete Florida Plus and to the Complete Florida Degree Initiative, removes statutory requirements to use a graphic and description provided by Complete Florida Plus to inform students of the catalog, and removes a directive in law that encouraged veterans, if appropriate, to participate in the Complete Florida Degree Program.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2021.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

D. State Tax or Fee Increases:

None.

E. Other Constitutional Issues:

None.

V. Fiscal Impact Statement:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

The Governor has recommended funding to cover costs associated with the Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network in the amount of \$9,076,322 for Florida College System institutions and \$11,836,500 for state universities.²²

However, the system component that supports career and education planning for the K-12 education system was not included in the Governor's recommended budget.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Statutes Affected:

This bill substantially amends the following sections of the Florida Statutes: 257.02, 295.22, 1004.013, 1006.73, 1007.01, 1007.27, 1009.23, and 1009.24.

This bill repeals section 1006.735 of the Florida Statutes.

IX. Additional Information:

A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Changes: (Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

Recommended CS/CS by Appropriations Subcommittee on Education on March 10, 2021

The committee substitute:

- Includes innovative pricing techniques as a method to reduce costs related to textbooks and education resources; and
- Specifies that the statewide computer-assisted student advising system is a K-20 statewide system that also supports career and education planning for the K-12 system.
- B. Amendments:

None.

This Senate Bill Analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill's introducer or the Florida Senate.

²² Governor Ron DeSantis, *Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Governor's Recommended General Appropriations Act* (2021), *available at* <u>http://www.bolderbrighterbetterfuture.com/content/Current/reports/Governors-Bill.pdf</u>, Section 1, at 4 and 5.

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Appropriations Subcommittee on Education (Gruters) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

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Appropriations Subcommittee on Education (Gruters) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

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15	2. Support K-12 career and education planning.
16	3. Allow a student to search public postsecondary education
17	institutions and identify course options that will meet the
18	requirements of a selected path toward a degree.
19	4. Audit transcripts of students enrolled in a public
20	postsecondary education institution to assess current academic
21	standing, the requirements for a student to transfer to another
22	institution, and all requirements necessary for graduation.
23	5. Serve as the official statewide repository for the
24	common prerequisite manual, admissions information for
25	transferring programs, foreign language requirements, residency
26	requirements, and statewide articulation agreements.
27	6. Provide information relating to career descriptions and
28	corresponding educational requirements, admissions requirements,
29	and available sources of student financial assistance.
30	7. Provide the admissions application for transient
31	students pursuant to paragraph (a) which must include the
32	electronic transfer and receipt of information and records for:
33	a. Admissions and readmissions.
34	b. Financial aid.
35	c. Transfer of credit awarded by the institution offering
36	the course to the transient student's degree-granting
37	institution.

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37	institution using the Florida Automated System for Transferring
38	Educational Records (the "FASTER System").

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By Senator Gruters

23-01057A-21 20211436 1 A bill to be entitled 2 An act relating to the Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network; amending ss. 257.02 and 295.22, F.S.; 3 conforming provisions to changes made by the act; amending s. 1004.013, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the awareness of certain postsecondary education programs and initiatives; amending s. 1006.73, F.S.; deleting provisions relating to the 8 ç Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative; 10 providing responsibilities for the Florida 11 Postsecondary Academic Library Network; providing that 12 the Board of Governors and the Department of Education 13 will oversee a host entity chosen to deliver certain 14 services; providing the services to be provided by the 15 host entity; transferring responsibility for the 16 statewide Internet-based catalog of distance learning 17 courses to the host entity; providing requirements for 18 such catalog; transferring responsibility for certain 19 statewide online student advising services to the host 20 entity; providing requirements for such services; 21 requiring the host entity to annually submit a certain 22 report by a specified date; providing requirements for 23 such report; requiring the chancellors of the State 24 University System and the Florida College System to 2.5 provide a certain report; providing that specified 26 entities have responsibility for the governance and 27 administration of the provided services; requiring 28 specified entities to issue a recommendation and 29 report on expanding organizations who may access the Page 1 of 15

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23-01057A-21 20211436 30 provided services; repealing s. 1006.735, F.S., 31 relating to the Complete Florida Plus Program; 32 amending s. 1007.01, F.S.; conforming a cross-33 reference; amending s. 1007.27, F.S.; conforming a 34 provision to changes made by the act; amending ss. 35 1009.23 and 1009.24, F.S.; conforming cross-36 references; revising a requirement to include a 37 certain graphic on specified websites; providing an 38 effective date. 39 40 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 41 Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 257.02, Florida 42 43 Statutes, is amended to read: 44 257.02 State Library Council.-45 (1) There shall be a State Library Council to advise and assist the division with planning, policy, and priorities 46 related to the development of statewide information services. 47 48 The council shall consist of nine members who shall be appointed 49 by the Secretary of State. Of the nine members, three members must represent Florida public libraries, two members must 50 represent the Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network 51 52 Services Cooperative, one member must represent a multitype 53 library cooperative, one member must represent a school library 54 media center, one member must represent the Independent Colleges 55 and Universities of Florida, and one member must represent a 56 Florida library professional association. Members shall be 57 appointed for 4-year terms. A vacancy on the council shall be filled for the period of the unexpired term. A person may not be 58 Page 2 of 15 CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words underlined are additions.

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59	appointed to serve more than two consecutive terms as a member				8 college credit at public postsecondary educational institutions
60	of the council. The secretary may remove from office any council			:	9 for college-level training and education acquired in the
61	member for malfeasance, misfeasance, neglect of duty,				0 military under s. 1004.096.
62	incompetence, permanent inability to perform official duties, or				3. The corporation shall encourage veterans to register
63	pleading guilty or nolo contendere to, or being found guilty of,				2 with the state's job bank system and may refer veterans to local
64	a felony.				3 one-stop career centers for further services. The corporation
65	Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section				4 shall provide each veteran with information about state
66	295.22, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:				5 workforce programs and shall consolidate information about all
67	295.22 Veterans Employment and Training Services Program				6 available resources on one website that, if possible, includes a
68	(3) ADMINISTRATIONFlorida Is For Veterans, Inc., shall				hyperlink to each resource's website and contact information, if
69	administer the Veterans Employment and Training Services Program			1	available. If appropriate, a veteran shall be encouraged to
70	and perform all of the following functions:				9 participate in the Complete Florida Degree Program established
71	(b) Assist veterans who reside in or relocate to this state			1	0 under s. 1006.735.
72	and who are seeking employment. The corporation shall offer			1	4. Assessment and assistance may be in person or by
73	skills assessments to veterans and assist them in establishing			1	2 electronic means, as determined by the corporation to be most
74	employment goals and applying for and achieving gainful			1	3 efficient and best meet the needs of veterans.
75	employment.			1	4 Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section
76	1. Assessment may include skill match information, skill			1	5 1004.013, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
77	gap analysis, resume creation, translation of military skills			1	6 1004.013 SAIL to 60 Initiative
78	into civilian workforce skills, and translation of military			1	7 (2) The State Board of Education and the Board of Governors
79	achievements and experience into generally understood civilian			1	8 shall work collaboratively to, at a minimum:
80	workforce skills.			1	9 (a) Increase the awareness and use of:
81	2. Assistance may include providing the veteran with			1	0 1. The student advising system established under <u>s. 1006.73</u>
82	information on current workforce demand by industry or			1	1 s. 1006.735(4)(b).
83	geographic region, creating employment goals, and aiding or			1	2 2. The Complete Florida Degree Initiative established under
84	teaching general knowledge related to completing applications.			1	3 s. 1006.735(2) that facilitates degree completion for the
85	The corporation may provide information related to industry			1	4 state's adult learners. The Chancellor of the State University
86	certifications approved by the Department of Education under s.			1	5 System and the Chancellor of the Florida College System shall
87	1008.44 as well as information related to earning academic			1	6 consult with the Complete Florida Degree Initiative to identify
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146	State University System to identify and provide online academic
147	support services and resources when the multi-institutional
148	provision of such services and resources is more cost effective
149	or operationally effective.
150	(c) Administer a single library automation system and
151	associated resources and services that all public postsecondary
152	institutions shall use to support learning, teaching, and
153	research needs and develop automated library management tools
154	that shall include, but are not limited to, the following
155	services and functions:
156	1. A shared Internet-based catalog and discovery tool that
157	allows a user to search and, if authorized, access the aggregate
158	library holdings of this state's public postsecondary education
159	institutions. The catalog and discovery tool shall allow a user
160	to search the library holdings of one institution, selected
161	institutions, or all institutions and, to the extent feasible,
162	shall include an interlibrary loan function that ensures an
163	authorized user can access the required library holding.
164	2. An Internet-based searchable collection of electronic
165	resources which shall include, but not be limited to, full-text
166	journals, articles, databases, and electronic books licensed
167	pursuant to paragraph (d).
168	3. An integrated library management system and its
169	associated services that all public postsecondary education
170	institution academic libraries shall use for purposes of
171	acquiring, cataloging, circulating, and tracking library
172	material.
173	4. A statewide searchable database that includes an
174	inventory of digital archives and collections held by public
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175	postsecondary education institutions.
176	(d) In collaboration with library staff from Florida
177	College System institutions and state universities, coordinate
178	the negotiation of statewide licensing of electronic library
179	resources and preferred pricing agreements, issue purchase
180	orders, and enter into contracts for the acquisition of library
181	support services, electronic resources, and other goods and
182	services necessary to carry out its duties under this section.
183	(e) Promote and provide recommendations concerning the use
184	and distribution of open-access textbooks and education
L85	resources as a method for reducing costs.
L86	(f) Provide appropriate help desk support, training, and
87	consultation services to institutions and students.
88	(2) STATEWIDE INTERNET-BASED CATALOG OF DISTANCE LEARNING
89	COURSESThere is established a statewide Internet-based catalog
90	of distance learning courses, degree programs, and resources
91	offered by public postsecondary education institutions which is
92	intended to assist in the coordination and collaboration of
93	articulation and access pursuant to parts II and III of chapter
94	1007. The host entity is responsible for developing and
95	disseminating operational procedures and technical guidelines
96	for the catalog, to be followed by all participating
97	institutions. Operating procedures and technical guidelines will
98	address the following:
99	(a) Specific information concerning the distance learning
200	course or degree program, including, but not limited to, course
201	number, classification of instructional programs number, and
202	information on the availability of the course or degree program;
203	any prerequisite course or technology competency or skill; the
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204	availability of academic support services and financial aid
205	resources; and course costs, fees, and payment policies.
206	(b) Definitions and descriptions of the catalog's search
207	and retrieval options that, at a minimum, will allow users to
208	search by academic term or course start date; institution,
209	multiple institutions, or all institutions; and course or
210	program delivery methods, course type, course availability,
211	subject or discipline, and course number or classification of
212	instructional programs number.
213	(c) An Internet-based analytic tool that allows for the
214	collection and analysis of data as to usage of resources
215	accessed or interaction with constituent institutions whose
216	courses and programs are listed in the catalog.
217	(d) Frequent review and updates to institution catalogs to
218	ensure that distance learning courses and degree programs comply
219	with operational procedures.
220	(3) STATEWIDE ONLINE STUDENT ADVISING SERVICES AND
221	SUPPORTThe following online services and support shall be made
222	available on a statewide basis:
223	(a) A streamlined online admissions application process,
224	which shall be used by all public postsecondary institutions,
225	for undergraduate transient students currently enrolled and
226	pursuing a degree at a public postsecondary education
227	institution who enroll in a course offered by a public
228	postsecondary education institution that is not the student's
229	degree-granting institution, which shall:
230	1. Use the transient student admissions application
231	available through the statewide computer-assisted student
232	advising system established pursuant to paragraph (b). This
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233	admissions application is the only application required for
233	enrollment of a transient student as described in this
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	paragraph.
236	2. Implement the financial aid procedures required by the
237	transient student admissions application process.
238	3. Transfer credit awarded by the institution offering the
239	course to the transient student's degree-granting institution.
240	4. Provide an interface between the institutional advising
241	system and the statewide computer-assisted student advising
242	system established pursuant to paragraph (b) in order to
243	electronically send, receive, and process transient student
244	admissions application.
245	(b) A statewide computer-assisted student advising system
246	that shall support the process of advising, registering, and
247	capturing student progression toward a degree and career and
248	shall include a degree audit and an articulation component.
249	Florida College System institutions and state universities shall
250	interface institutional advising systems with the statewide
251	computer-assisted student advising system. At a minimum, the
252	statewide computer-assisted student advising system shall:
253	1. Allow a student to access the system at any time.
254	2. Allow a student to search public postsecondary education
255	institutions and identify course options that will meet the
256	requirements of a selected path toward a degree.
257	3. Audit transcripts of students enrolled in a public
258	postsecondary education institution to assess current academic
259	standing, the requirements for a student to transfer to another
260	institution, and all requirements necessary for graduation.
261	4. Serve as the official statewide repository for the
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262	common prerequisite manual, admissions information for
263	transferring programs, foreign language requirements, residency
264	requirements, and statewide articulation agreements.
265	5. Provide information relating to career descriptions and
266	corresponding educational requirements, admissions requirements,
267	and available sources of student financial assistance.
268	6. Provide the admissions application for transient
269	students pursuant to paragraph (a) which must include the
270	electronic transfer and receipt of information and records for:
271	a. Admissions and readmissions.
272	b. Financial aid.
273	c. Transfer of credit awarded by the institution offering
274	the course to the transient student's degree-granting
275	institution using the Florida Automated System for Transferring
276	Educational Records (the "FASTER System").
277	(c) A method for identifying and evaluating new
278	technologies and instructional methods for improving distance
279	learning instruction and development for faculty, student
280	learning outcomes, student access, the efficient delivery of
281	student support services, and the overall quality of
282	postsecondary distance learning courses and degree programs.
283	(d) Negotiation of statewide licensing resources and
284	preferred pricing agreements, issuing purchase orders, and
285	entering into contracts for the acquisition of distance learning
286	resources, student and support services, electronic resources,
287	and other goods and services necessary to carry out duties under
288	this section.
289	(4) REPORTINGBeginning December 31, 2021, and each year
290	thereafter, the host entity shall submit a report to the
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91	chancellors of the State University System and the Florida
2	College System regarding the implementation and operation of all
3	components described in this section, including, but not limited
94	to, usage information collected under paragraph (2)(c),
95	information and associated costs relating to the services and
6	functions of the program, and the implementation and operation
7	of the automated library services. The chancellors will provide
8	an annual report on the performance of the host entity in
9	delivering the services and any recommendations for changes
0	needed to this section to the Governor, the President of the
1	Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Board
2	of Governors, and the State Board of Education.
3	(5) GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATIONThe Office of the Board
4	of Governors and the Department of Education shall have joint
5	responsibility for determining the host entity for the services
6	described in this section and shall share in the receipt and
7	administration of an associated appropriation as described in
8	the General Appropriations Act. The chancellors of the Florida
9	College System and the Board of Governors shall provide
0	oversight for successful delivery by the host entity of the
1	services described in this section.
2	(6) RECOMMENDATION ON OTHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO BE
3	INCLUDED WITHIN THE FLORIDA POSTSECONDARY ACADEMIC LIBRARY
4	NETWORKBy June 1, 2022, the Commissioner of Education and the
5	Chancellor of the State University System shall provide a joint
6	recommendation for a process by which school district career
7	centers operated under s. 1001.44 and charter technical career
8	centers under s. 1002.34 would access appropriate postsecondary
9	distance learning, student support services, and library assets

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320	described in this section. The recommendation must include an
321	analysis of the resources necessary to expand access and assets
322	to centers and their students.
323	Section 5. Section 1006.735, Florida Statutes, is repealed.
324	Section 6. Paragraph (h) of subsection (3) of section
325	1007.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
326	1007.01 Articulation; legislative intent; purpose; role of
327	the State Board of Education and the Board of Governors;
328	Articulation Coordinating Committee
329	(3) The Commissioner of Education, in consultation with the
330	Chancellor of the State University System, shall establish the
331	Articulation Coordinating Committee, which shall make
332	recommendations related to statewide articulation policies and
333	issues regarding access, quality, and reporting of data
334	maintained by the K-20 data warehouse, established pursuant to
335	ss. 1001.10 and 1008.31, to the Higher Education Coordination
336	Council, the State Board of Education, and the Board of
337	Governors. The committee shall consist of two members each
338	representing the State University System, the Florida College
339	System, public career and technical education, K-12 education,
340	and nonpublic postsecondary education and one member
341	representing students. The chair shall be elected from the
342	membership. The Office of K-20 Articulation shall provide
343	administrative support for the committee. The committee shall:
344	(h) Recommend roles and responsibilities of public
345	education entities in interfacing with the single, statewide
346	computer-assisted student advising system established pursuant
347	to <u>s. 1006.73</u> s. 1006.735 .
348	Section 7. Subsection (1) of section 1007.27, Florida
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20211436 23-01057A-21 20211436 Statutes, is amended to read: 378 subsection (17) of section 1009.23, Florida Statutes, are 1007.27 Articulated acceleration mechanisms.-379 amended to read: (1) It is the intent of the Legislature that a variety of 380 1009.23 Florida College System institution student fees.articulated acceleration mechanisms be available for secondary 381 (16) (a) Each Florida College System institution may assess and postsecondary students attending public educational 382 a student who enrolls in a course listed in the distance institutions. It is intended that articulated acceleration serve 383 learning catalog, established pursuant to s. 1006.73 s. to shorten the time necessary for a student to complete the 384 1006.735, a per-credit-hour distance learning course user fee. requirements associated with the conference of a high school 385 For purposes of assessing this fee, a distance learning course diploma and a postsecondary degree, broaden the scope of 386 is a course in which at least 80 percent of the direct curricular options available to students, or increase the depth 387 instruction of the course is delivered using some form of of study available for a particular subject. Articulated 388 technology when the student and instructor are separated by time acceleration mechanisms shall include, but are not limited to, 389 or space, or both. dual enrollment and early admission as provided for in s. 390 (c) If an institution assesses the distance learning fee, 1007.271, advanced placement, credit by examination, the 391 the institution must provide a link to the catalog within the International Baccalaureate Program, and the Advanced 392 advising and distance learning sections of the institution's International Certificate of Education Program. Credit earned 393 website, using a graphic and description provided by the through the Florida Virtual School shall provide additional 394 Complete Florida Plus Program, to inform students of the opportunities for early graduation and acceleration. Students of 395 catalog. Florida public secondary schools enrolled pursuant to this 396 (17) Each Florida College System institution that accepts subsection shall be deemed authorized users of the state-funded 397 transient students, pursuant to s. 1006.73 s. 1006.735, may electronic library resources that are licensed for Florida 398 establish a transient student fee not to exceed \$5 per course College System institutions and state universities by the 399 for processing the transient student admissions application. Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network Services 400 Section 9. Paragraph (t) of subsection (14) and paragraphs Cooperative. Verification of eligibility shall be in accordance 401 (a) and (c) of subsection (17) of section 1009.24, Florida with rules established by the State Board of Education and 402 Statutes, are amended to read: regulations established by the Board of Governors and processes 403 1009.24 State university student fees .implemented by Florida College System institutions and state 404 (14) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (15), each 405 university board of trustees is authorized to establish the following fees: Section 8. Paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (16) and 406 Page 13 of 15 Page 14 of 15 CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words underlined are additions. CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words underlined are additions. 23-01057A-21

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407	(t) A transient student fee that may not exceed \$5 per
408	course for accepting a transient student and processing the
409	transient student admissions application pursuant to $\underline{s.\ 1006.73}$
410	s. 1006.735 .
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412	With the exception of housing rental rates and except as
413	otherwise provided, fees assessed pursuant to paragraphs (h)-(s) $% \left(\left({{{\mathbf{x}}} \right)^{2}} \right) = \left({{{\mathbf{x}}} \right)^{2}} \right)$
414	shall be based on reasonable costs of services. The Board of
415	Governors shall adopt regulations and timetables necessary to
416	implement the fees and fines authorized under this subsection.
417	The fees assessed under this subsection may be used for debt
418	only as authorized under s. 1010.62.
419	(17)(a) A state university may assess a student who enrolls
420	in a course listed in the distance learning catalog, established
421	pursuant to <u>s. 1006.73</u> s. 1006.735 , a per-credit-hour distance
422	learning course fee. For purposes of assessing this fee, a
423	distance learning course is a course in which at least 80
424	percent of the direct instruction of the course is delivered
425	using some form of technology when the student and instructor
426	are separated by time or space, or both.
427	(c) If an institution assesses the distance learning fee,
428	the institution must provide a link to the catalog within the
429	advising and distance learning sections of the institution's
430	website, using a graphic and description provided by the

- 431 Complete Florida Plus Program, informing students of the432 extalog.
- 433 Section 10. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

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SENATOR AUDREY GIBSON 6th District

March 9, 2021

Senator Doug Broxson 201 The Capitol 404 South Monroe Street Tallahassee, FL 32399

Chair Broxson:

I respectfully ask to be excused from this week's Appropriations Subcommittee on Education committee meeting, due to family matters.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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