

The Florida Senate
COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA

EDUCATION PRE-K - 12
Senator Legg, Chair
Senator Detert, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, March 18, 2015
TIME: 4:00 —6:00 p.m.
PLACE: *Pat Thomas Committee Room, 412 Knott Building*

MEMBERS: Senator Legg, Chair; Senator Detert, Vice Chair; Senators Benacquisto, Brandes, Bullard, Clemens, Gaetz, Galvano, Garcia, Montford, and Sobel

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	SB 530 Ring (Similar H 603, Compare CS/H 7057)	Bullying and Harassment Policies in Schools; Requiring school districts to revise their bullying and harassment policies at specified intervals; specifying that a school district policy require a school to implement the policy in a certain manner and integrate it with the school's bullying prevention and intervention program, etc. ED 03/18/2015 Favorable AED FP	Favorable Yeas 11 Nays 0
2	SB 874 Stargel (Similar H 713)	Dual Enrollment Program; Exempting dual enrollment students from paying certain fees, including technology fees; deleting the requirement that a home education secondary student be responsible for his or her own instructional materials in order to participate in the dual enrollment program; authorizing certain instructional materials to be made available free of charge to dual enrollment students in public high schools, home education programs, and private schools, etc. ED 03/18/2015 Favorable AED AP	Favorable Yeas 8 Nays 3
3	SB 1020 Simmons	Student Transportation Funding; Revising the membership of students that a school district reports for transportation funding purposes; revising the school transportation allocation formula used by each school district; revising the types of students eligible for transportation funds used for transportation to and from school in private passenger cars and boats, etc. ED 03/18/2015 Favorable AED AP	Favorable Yeas 11 Nays 0

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4	SB 1202 Brandes (Similar H 909)	Voter Registration; Designating a specified period each year during which supervisors of elections are authorized to provide certain students with the opportunity to register to vote at school and with instruction on the elections process, etc. EE 03/10/2015 Favorable ED 03/18/2015 Favorable RC	Favorable Yeas 11 Nays 0
5	SB 1262 Legg (Compare CS/H 587, S 888)	Education; Requiring the Department of Education to have an operating electronic IEP system in place for statewide use; authorizing the Commissioner of Education to issue a letter of guidance in response to a complaint against a teacher or administrator in lieu of a probable cause determination, etc. ED 03/18/2015 Favorable AED FP	Favorable Yeas 11 Nays 0
6	SB 1264 Legg (Compare S 7050)	Digital Classrooms; Establishing requirements for digital classrooms technology infrastructure planning by the Agency for State Technology or a contracted organization; requiring the Office of Technology and Information Services of the Department of Education to consult with the Agency for State Technology in developing the 5-year strategic plan for Florida digital classrooms; specifying conditions for a school district to maintain eligibility for Florida digital classrooms allocation funds, etc. ED 03/11/2015 Temporarily Postponed ED 03/18/2015 Fav/CS AED AP	Fav/CS Yeas 11 Nays 0

A proposed committee substitute for the following bill (SB 1552) is expected to be considered:

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7	SB 1552 Benacquisto (Similar H 1145, Compare S 1448)	Parent and Student Rights; Providing the right of a parent to know the average amount of money expended for the education of his or her child; deleting the definition of and provisions relating to controlled open enrollment; requiring each school district to instead establish a public school parental choice policy that allows students to attend any public school that has not reached capacity in their district; requiring each school district board to establish a classroom teacher transfer process for parents, approve or deny a request within a certain timeframe, and post an explanation of the transfer process in the student handbook, etc. ED 03/11/2015 Workshop-Discussed ED 03/18/2015 Fav/CS AED AP	Fav/CS Yeas 7 Nays 4

TAB	OFFICE and APPOINTMENT (HOME CITY)	FOR TERM ENDING	COMMITTEE ACTION
Senate Confirmation Hearing: A public hearing will be held for consideration of the below-named executive appointment to the office indicated.			
State Board of Education			
8	Olenick, Michael H. (Palm City)	12/31/2016	Recommend Confirm Yeas 10 Nays 0

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