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A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to education; establishing a study commission to determine the feasibility 3 4 of creating a residential mathematics and 5 sciences academy; providing for the 6 commission's membership and duties; requiring a report; providing an effective date. 7 8 9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 10 Section 1. (1) There is established the Mathematics 11 and Sciences Study Commission to determine the feasibility of 12 creating a public-private, residential, coeducational academy 13 offering an advanced curriculum in mathematics and sciences 14 for students in grades 11 and 12 using the K-16 philosophy to 15 prepare students for professional careers in this state. The 16 17 commission shall select a private partner, a State University System partner, the locale, and the estimated operating cost 18 19 for the academy. 20 (2) Members of the commission shall be appointed as 21 follows: 22 (a) The Governor shall appoint five members, including a math or science teacher, a member of the Enterprise Florida 23 Board of Directors, a principal or administrator of a state 24 25 public school, a member of the Board of Regents, and a member of the Florida Commission on Education Reform and 26 27 Accountability. 28 (b) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each appoint a member of the 29 30 majority party and a member of the minority party of their

1	(c) The Commissioner of Education shall appoint five
2	members, including a math or science teacher, a member of the
3	Enterprise Florida Board of Directors, a member of the
4	National Science Program, a member of the Florida School Board
5	Administrators Association, and a member of the Postsecondary
6	Education Planning Commission.
7	(3) The commission shall be staffed by the
8	Postsecondary Education Planning Commission and the Florida
9	Commission on Education Reform and Accountability. Regular
LO	meetings may be held for 2 days each month and at such other
L1	times as the commission deems necessary, after all members
L2	have been appointed.
L3	(4) Commission members and staff shall receive
L4	reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses incurred in the
L5	performance of their duties, as provided in s. 112.061,
L6	Florida Statutes.
L7	(5) The commission shall present its findings and
L8	recommendations to the Governor, the President of the Senate,
L9	the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the
20	Commissioner of Education by January 1, 1999, at which time
21	the commission shall be terminated.
22	Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
23	law.
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26	SENATE SUMMARY
27	Creates a study commission to determine the feasibility
28	of creating a residential math and sciences academy and provides for the commission's duties and composition.
29	Requires a report.
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