## Florida Senate - 1999

By the Committee on Education and Senator Horne

	304-1956-99
1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to education; creating
3	professional development academies to meet the
4	human resource development needs of
5	professional educators, schools, and school
6	districts; providing that appropriated funds
7	must be allocated by the Commissioner of
8	Education unless otherwise provided in the
9	appropriations act; providing eligibility
10	requirements for start-up funds; providing an
11	effective date.
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13	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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15	Section 1. One or more professional development
16	academies shall be established to meet the human resource
17	development needs of professional educators, schools, and
18	school districts. Funds appropriated for the initiation of
19	professional development academies must be allocated by the
20	Commissioner of Education, unless otherwise provided in an
21	appropriations act. To be eligible for start-up funds, an
22	academy must:
23	(1) Be established by the collaborative efforts of one
24	or more district school boards, members of the business
25	community, and the postsecondary institutions which may award
26	college credits for courses taught at the academy.
27	(2) Demonstrate the ability to provide high-quality
28	trainers and training and appropriate followup and coaching
29	for all participants and to support school personnel in
30	improving students' performance.
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