Amendment No. 21 (for drafter's use only)

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11	Representative(s) Lynn and Feeney offered the following:
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13	Amendment (with title amendment)
14	On page 106, line 9, through page 107, line 24,
15	remove from the bill: all of said lines
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17	and insert in lieu thereof:
18	2.a. If the employee holds a professional service
19	contract as provided in s. 231.36, the employee shall be
20	placed on performance probation and governed by the provisions
21	of this section for 90 calendar days following from the
22	receipt of the notice of unsatisfactory performance to
24	demonstrate corrective action. School holidays and school
25	vacation periods are not counted when calculating the 90-calendar-day period. During the 90 calendar days, the
26	employee who holds a professional service contract must be
27	evaluated periodically and apprised of progress achieved and
28	must be provided assistance and inservice training
29	opportunities to help correct the noted performance
30	deficiencies. At any time during the 90 calendar days, the
31	employee who holds a professional service contract may request

a transfer to another appropriate position with a different supervising administrator; however, a transfer does not extend the period for correcting performance deficiencies.

<u>b.3.</u> Within 14 days after the close of the 90 calendar days, the evaluator must assess whether the performance deficiencies have been corrected and forward a recommendation to the superintendent. Within 14 days after receiving the evaluator's recommendation, the superintendent must notify the employee who holds a professional service contract in writing whether the performance deficiencies have been satisfactorily corrected and whether the superintendent will recommend that the school board continue or terminate his or her employment contract. If the employee wishes to contest the superintendent's recommendation, the employee must, within 15 days after receipt of the superintendent's recommendation, submit a written request for a hearing. Such hearing shall be conducted at the school board's election in accordance with one of the following procedures:

(I)a. A direct hearing conducted by the school board within 60 days after receipt of the written appeal. The hearing shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of ss. 120.569 and 120.57. A majority vote of the membership of the school board shall be required to sustain the superintendent's recommendation. The determination of the school board shall be final as to the sufficiency or insufficiency of the grounds for termination of employment; or

(II)b. A hearing conducted by an administrative law judge assigned by the Division of Administrative Hearings of the Department of Management Services. The hearing shall be conducted within 60 days after receipt of the written appeal in accordance with chapter 120. The recommendation of the

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administrative law judge shall be made to the school board. A 2 majority vote of the membership of the school board shall be 3 required to sustain or change the administrative law judge's 4 recommendation. The determination of the school board shall be 5 final as to the sufficiency or insufficiency of the grounds 6 for termination of employment. 7 8 9 ====== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= 10 And the title is amended as follows: On page 7, line 25, before "amending" 11 12 insert: 13 14 revising provisions relating to the probation 15 of certain employees; 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31