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

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11	Representative(s) Wise offered the following:
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13	Amendment to Amendment (134225) (with title amendment)
14	On page 28, between lines 28 and 29,
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16	and insert in lieu thereof:
17	Section 13. Section 229.05371, Florida Statutes, is
18	amended to read:
19	229.05371 Pilot program/ Scholarships to public or
20	private school of choice for students with disabilities
21	(1) <u>SCHOLARSHIP</u> PILOT PROGRAMThere is established a
22	pilot program, which is separate and distinct from the
23	Opportunity Scholarship Program, in the Sarasota school
24	district, to provide scholarships to a public or private
25	school of choice for students with disabilities whose academic
26	progress in at least two areas has not met expected levels for
27	the previous year, as determined by the student's individual
28	education plan. Student participation in the pilot program is
29	limited to 5 percent of the students with disabilities in the
30	school district during the first year, 10 percent of students
31	with disabilities during the second year, and 20 percent of

students with disabilities during the third $\underline{\text{year}}$, and $\underline{\text{no caps}}$ $\underline{\text{in}}$ subsequent years. The following applies to the $\underline{\text{pilot}}$ program:

- (a) To be eligible to participate in the pilot program, a private school must meet all requirements of s. 229.0537(4), except for the accreditation requirements of s. 229.0537(4)(f). For purposes of the pilot program, notification under s. 229.0537(4)(b) must be separate from the notification under the Opportunity Scholarship Program.
- (b) The school district that participates in the pilot program must comply with the requirements in s. 229.0537(3)(a)2., (c), and (d).
- (c) The amount of the scholarship in the pilot program shall be equal to the amount the student would have received under the Florida Education Finance Program in the public school to which he or she is assigned.
- (d) To be eligible for a scholarship under the pilot program, a student or parent must:
- Comply with the eligibility criteria in s.
 229.0537(2)(b) and all provisions of s. 229.0537 which apply to students with disabilities;
- 2. For the school year immediately prior to the year in which the scholarship will be in effect, have documented the student's failure to meet specific performance levels identified in the individual education plan; or, absent specific performance levels identified in the individual education plan, the student must have performed below grade level on state or local assessments and the parent must believe that the student is not progressing adequately toward the goals in the individual education plan; and
 - 3. Have requested the scholarship prior to the time at

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    for the year in which the scholarship will be awarded.
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           (2) The provisions of s. 229.0537(6) and (8) shall
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    apply to the pilot program authorized in this section. This
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   pilot program is not intended to affect the eligibility of the
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    state or school district to receive federal funds for students
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    with disabilities.
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    And the title is amended as follows:
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           On page 31, line 30, of the amendment
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    after "appropriation;" insert:
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           amending s. 229.05371, F.S.; converting a pilot
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           program for scholarships for students with
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           disabilities to statewide application;
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