

By Representative Brutus

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to disciplinary actions against
3 instructional personnel; amending s. 231.2615,
4 F.S.; establishing sanctions for failure of a
5 superintendent to report the commission of
6 certain acts by certified instructional
7 personnel to the department; amending s.
8 231.085, F.S.; requiring each school principal
9 to report the commission of certain acts by
10 certified instructional personnel to the
11 superintendent of schools; establishing
12 sanctions for noncompliance; providing an
13 effective date.

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15 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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17 Section 1. Subsection (5) of section 231.2615, Florida
18 Statutes, is amended to read:

19 231.2615 Education Practices Commission; authority to
20 discipline.--

21 (5) Each superintendent of schools and the governing
22 authority of each developmental research school,
23 state-supported school, or nonpublic school shall report to
24 the department the name of any person certified pursuant to
25 this chapter or employed and qualified pursuant to s.
26 231.1725:

27 (a) Who has been convicted of, or who has pled nolo
28 contendere to, a misdemeanor, felony, or any other criminal
29 charge, other than a minor traffic infraction.†

30 (b) Who that official has reason to believe has
31 committed or is found to have committed any act which would be

1 a ground for revocation or suspension under subsection (1).~~+~~
2 ~~or~~

3 (c) Who has been dismissed or severed from employment
4 because of conduct involving any immoral, unnatural, or
5 lascivious act.

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7 Any superintendent of schools found to have failed to comply
8 with the provisions of this subsection shall be ineligible for
9 any performance-based pay incentive and shall be subject to
10 disciplinary action pursuant to rules adopted by the Education
11 Practices Commission.

12 Section 2. Subsection (3) of section 231.085, Florida
13 Statutes, is amended to read:

14 231.085 Duties of principals.--

15 (3) Each principal is responsible for the performance
16 of all personnel employed by the district school board and
17 assigned to the school to which the principal is assigned. The
18 principal shall faithfully and effectively apply the personnel
19 assessment system approved by the district school board
20 pursuant to s. 231.29. Each principal shall report to the
21 superintendent of schools the name of any person certified
22 pursuant to this chapter or employed and qualified pursuant to
23 s. 231.1725 who:

24 (a) Has been convicted of, or has pled nolo contendere
25 to, a misdemeanor, felony, or any other criminal charge, other
26 than a minor traffic infraction.

27 (b) The principal has reason to believe has committed
28 or is found to have committed any act which would be a ground
29 for revocation or suspension under s. 231.2615(1).

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