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Representative Kosmas offered the following:

Amendment to Amendment (483919)

Remove line(s) 4287-4302, and insert:

(1) MINIMUM SALARY.--Effective the 2004-2005 academic year, the General Appropriations Act shall provide funding through the BEST Florida teaching categorical fund to each school district. Each school district shall use these funds to implement a locally determined teacher salary schedule that includes the following principles:

(a) A \$31,000 minimum salary, in 2003 dollars, indexed to the Consumer Price Index;

(b) Maintenance in each school district of the current differential between salary steps that is proportional to the salary steps in 2002-2003; and

(c) A guaranteed increase to each school district for teacher salaries that recognizes the district cost differential

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