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HB 0231 2003

A bill to be entitled

An act relating to instructional materials for K-12 public education; authorizing a pilot program to enable selected school districts to realize cost savings in the purchase of instructional materials; requiring a report to the Legislature; providing an effective date.

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

The Department of Education is authorized to Section 1. conduct a pilot program to enable selected school districts to realize cost savings in the purchase of instructional materials. The school districts of Hernando County, Pasco County, and Hillsborough County shall participate in the pilot program. Charter schools in each such school district shall be eligible to participate in the pilot program. For purposes of the pilot program, the Department of Education may waive the requirements of s. 1006.37, Florida Statutes, relating to the requisition of instructional materials from publisher depositories. The Department of Education shall submit to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives for consideration during the 2004 Regular Session a report of the cost savings per school district and recommendations for potential cost savings to school districts based on results of the pilot program.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2003.