Bill No. <u>SB 2546</u>

Amendment No. ___   Barcode 280986

CHAMBER ACTION
           <u>Senate</u>   <u>House</u>
                                 .
                                 .
1   .
                                 .
2   .
                                 .
3   .
                                 .
4   _____

5

6

7

8

9

10   _____

11   Senator Diaz de la Portilla moved the following amendment:

12

13   **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

14   On page 1, between lines 20 and 21,

15

16   insert:

17   Section 1.   Section 1003.433, Florida Statutes, is

18   created to read:

19   <u>1003.433 Learning opportunities for out-of-state and</u>

20   <u>out-of-country transfer students and students needing</u>

21   <u>additional instruction to meet high school graduation</u>

22   <u>requirements.--</u>

23   <u>(1) Students who enter a Florida public school at the</u>

24   <u>eleventh or twelfth grade from out of state or from a foreign</u>

25   <u>country shall not be required to spend additional time in a</u>

26   <u>Florida public school in order to meet the high school course</u>

27   <u>requirements if the student has met all requirements of the</u>

28   <u>school district, state, or country from which he or she is</u>

29   <u>transferring. Such students who are not proficient in English</u>

30   <u>should receive immediate and intensive instruction in English</u>

31   <u>language acquisition. However, to receive a standard high</u>

1 school diploma, a transfer student must earn a 2.0 grade point

2 average and pass the grade 10 FCAT required in s. 1008.22(3)

3 or an alternate assessment as described in s. 1008.22(9).

4   (2) Students who have met all requirements for the

5 standard high school diploma except for passage of the grade

6 10 FCAT or an alternate assessment by the end of grade 12 must

7 be provided the following learning opportunities:

8   (a) Participation in an accelerated high school

9 equivalency diploma preparation program during the summer.

10   (b) Upon receipt of a certificate of completion, be

11 allowed to take the College Placement Test and be admitted to

12 remedial or credit courses at a state community college, as

13 appropriate.

14   (c) Participation in an adult general education

15 program as provided in s. 1004.93 for such time as the student

16 requires to master English, reading, mathematics, or any other

17 subject required for high school graduation. Students

18 attending adult basic, adult secondary, or

19 vocational-preparatory instruction are exempt from any

20 requirement for the payment of tuition and fees, including lab

21 fees, pursuant to s. 1009.25. A student attending an adult

22 general education program shall have the opportunity to take

23 the grade 10 FCAT an unlimited number of times in order to

24 receive a standard high school diploma.

25   (3) Students who have been enrolled in an ESOL program

26 for less than 2 school years and have met all requirements for

27 the standard high school diploma except for passage of the

28 grade 10 FCAT or alternate assessment may receive immersion

29 English language instruction during the summer following their

30 senior year. Students receiving such instruction are eligible

31 to take the FCAT or alternate assessment and receive a

2

Bill No. <u>SB 2546</u>

Amendment No. ___   Barcode 280986

1 | <u>standard high school diploma upon passage of the grade 10 FCAT</u>
2 | <u>or the alternate assessment. This subsection shall be</u>
3 | <u>implemented to the extent funding is provided in the General</u>
4 | <u>Appropriations Act.</u>
5 | <u>(4) The State Board of Education may adopt rules</u>
6 | <u>pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to administer this</u>
7 | <u>section.</u>
8 |
9 | (Redesignate subsequent sections.)
10 |
11 |
12 | ================ T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T ===============
13 | And the title is amended as follows:
14 | On page 1, lines 2-17, delete those lines
15 |
16 | and insert:
17 | An act relating to high school graduation;
18 | creating s. 1003.433, F.S.; providing learning
19 | opportunities for certain students to meet high
20 | school graduation requirements; providing
21 | requirements for certain transfer students;
22 | authorizing alternate assessments; authorizing
23 | rules; providing an effective date.
24 |
25 |
26 |
27 |
28 |
29 |
30 |
31 |

5:38 PM   05/02/03   s2546c-3610x