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

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

Section 1. The Department of Education may 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 school district are eligible to participate. For purposes of the pilot program, the Department of Education may waive the requirements of section 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 to school districts based on results of the pilot program.

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

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of Hernando County, Pasco County, and Hillsborough County  
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