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Senators Wilson, Hill and Siplin moved the following amendment
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Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 3, between lines 78 and 79,

insert:

Section 2. (1) Beginning with the 2002-2003 school year and notwithstanding sections 1008.22, 1008.25, and 1003.43(9), Florida Statutes, a student may not be subject to mandatory retention or denied a standard high school diploma on the basis of the student's scores on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) until the criterion in subsection (2) is met.

(2) The median scaled score of each subgroup of students taking the FCAT within each grade level may not vary from the median scaled score of any other subgroup within that grade level by greater than 10 percent.

(3) For purposes of this section, subgroups consist of:

(a) Economically disadvantaged students;

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- 1 (b) White students;
- 2 (c) Black students;
- 3 (d) Hispanic students;
- 4 (e) Asian students;
- 5 (f) American Indian students;
- 6 (g) Students with disabilities; and
- 7 (h) Limited English-proficient students.

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9 Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, no student who
10 has failed to attain minimum required scores on the FCAT may
11 receive a standard high school diploma unless the student has
12 taken the grade 10 FCAT at least four times prior to the
13 student's scheduled high school graduation or unless the
14 student meets the statutory requirements of another exemption
15 from taking the grade 10 FCAT.

16 Section 3. Beginning with the 2002-2003 school year,
17 the State Board of Education shall annually report, no later
18 than December 31, to the President of the Senate, the Speaker
19 of the House of Representatives, and the chairs of the
20 appropriate substantive committees, the results of the Florida
21 Comprehensive Assessment Test for all of the following
22 subgroups of students taking the test at all grade levels:

- 23 (1) Economically disadvantaged students;
- 24 (2) White students;
- 25 (3) Black students;
- 26 (4) Hispanic students;
- 27 (5) Asian students;
- 28 (6) American Indian students;
- 29 (7) Students with disabilities; and
- 30 (8) Limited English-proficient students.

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1 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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5 And the title is amended as follows:

6 On page 1, line 9, after the second semicolon,

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8 insert:

9 prohibiting the results of the Florida

10 Comprehensive Assessment Test from being used

11 for purposes of retaining a student in grade 3

12 or as a requirement for high school graduation

13 until a certain criterion is met; providing for

14 the criterion; defining subgroups; requiring

15 students to take the grade 10 FCAT to fulfill

16 the high school graduation requirement under

17 certain circumstances; requiring the State

18 Board of Education to report to the

19 Legislature;

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