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## CHAMBER ACTION

1 The Committee on Education K-20 recommends the following: 2 3 Committee Substitute 4 Remove the entire bill and insert: 5 A bill to be entitled 6 An act relating to student assessment; amending s. 7 1008.22, F.S.; authorizing the SAT and the ACT as 8 alternate assessments for the grade 10 FCAT for 9 students entering a Florida public school in grade 11 10 or grade 12 and for students who have exhausted all 11 attempts to pass the grade 10 FCAT; deleting obsolete 12 language; providing an effective date. 13 14 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 15 Section 1. Subsection (9) of section 1008.22, Florida 16 17 Statutes, is amended to read: 1008.22 Student assessment program for public schools.--18 19 (9) EQUIVALENCIES FOR STANDARDIZED TESTS. -- Any student who enters a Florida public school at the eleventh grade or the 20 21 twelfth grade or any student who has exhausted all of his or her 22 attempts to pass the grade 10 FCAT and The Commissioner of Education shall determine the comparable validity of other 23 Page 1 of 2

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24 available standardized tests, including the SAT, ACT, College Placement Test, PSAT, PLAN, and tests used for entry into the 25 26 military. If such tests are deemed to be valid and reliable 27 measures, the commissioner shall approve the use of such tests 28 as alternate assessments to the grade 10 FCAT for the 2002-2003 29 school year. Students who attains attain scores on the SAT or the ACT that are concordant with equate to the passing scores on 30 the grade 10 FCAT for purposes of high school graduation on any 31 of the approved alternative assessments shall satisfy the 32 33 assessment requirement for a standard high school diploma as 34 provided in s. 1003.429(5)(a) or s. 1003.43(5)(a) for the 2002-35 2003 school year graduating class. Prior to the application of 36 these alternative assessments in subsequent school years, the 37 Legislature shall review the continued use of these alternative 38 tests.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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