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The Committee on Commerce and Consumer Services (Aronberg) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause

and insert:

Section 1. Section 445.057, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

445.057 Prosperity Campaigns.--

(1) There is established the Prosperity Campaign Office, which shall be administratively housed in Workforce Florida, Inc. The office is directed to coordinate established Prosperity Campaigns in the state, foster the establishment of new campaigns in designated regional workforce areas and assist in the development of their programs, coordinate with the Internal Revenue Service in providing programs for low-wage workers, and work closely with prosperity campaign offices in other states.

(2) The office shall be headed by the Florida Prosperity Campaign Council which shall be composed of the

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1 following members:

2 (a) Two individuals, each representing a different
3 Prosperity Campaign in the state, appointed by the Governor.

4 (b) One member of the Greater Miami Prosperity
5 Campaign.

6 (c) One member of the Senate appointed by the
7 President of the Senate.

8 (d) One member of the House of Representatives
9 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

10 (e) The Chief Financial Officer or his or her
11 designee.

12 (f) One representative from the Florida Bankers
13 Association.

14 (g) One representative from the Florida Institute of
15 CPAs.

16 (h) One representative from the Florida Credit Union
17 League.

18 (i) The Commissioner of Education or his or her
19 designee.

20 (j) One representative from the Florida League of
21 Cities.

22 (k) One representative from the Florida Association of
23 Counties.

24 (l) One representative from the Florida Association of
25 Realtors.

26 (m) One representative from United Way of Florida.

27 (n) One representative from Leadership Florida.

28 (o) One representative from the Florida Chamber of
29 Commerce.

30 (p) One representative from a nonprofit or
31 community-based low-wage worker organization.

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1 (3) The members of the Prosperity Campaign Council
2 shall be appointed to serve a 2-year term starting on July 1,
3 2005. Upon completion of the term, new members shall be
4 appointed in the same manner as the original appointment.

5 (4) The Prosperity Campaign Council shall meet each
6 quarter of the year or upon the call of the chairperson.
7 Annually, at the meeting in the first quarter, officers
8 consisting of a chairperson, vice chairperson, and secretary
9 shall be elected. Each officer shall serve until a successor
10 is elected. No officer shall serve more than two consecutive
11 terms in the same office.

12 (5) Members of the council shall serve without
13 compensation, but shall be reimbursed for per diem and travel
14 expenses in accordance with s. 112.061.

15 (6) The council's responsibilities shall include, but
16 are not limited to:

17 (a) Assisting in the development of Prosperity
18 Campaigns throughout the state.

19 (b) Coordinating with Prosperity Campaigns to assist
20 in the development of new programs.

21 (c) Developing implementation plans for new programs
22 using the best practices of existing and new prosperity
23 campaigns in and outside of the state.

24 (d) Coordinating financial literacy classes or
25 programs within each Prosperity Campaign.

26 (e) Working with businesses and agencies to develop a
27 package of services for citizens participating in Prosperity
28 Campaigns.

29 (f) Working with the Department of Education in
30 developing financial literacy instruction to be part of the
31 life management skills course pursuant to s. 1003.43. The

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1 financial literacy information must focus on the importance of
2 financial management, savings, investments, credit scores, and
3 other relevant subjects. Community colleges and universities
4 are encouraged to use financial literacy information in
5 student orientation programs.

6 (g) Performing other activities deemed necessary by
7 the council or directed by Workforce Florida, Inc.

8 (7) Each Prosperity Campaign shall:

9 (a) Educate citizens about available economic benefits
10 programs and the importance of wise financial decisionmaking.

11 (b) Connect low-wage workers to economic benefits
12 programs, including, but not limited to, the Earned Income Tax
13 Credit and the Childcare Tax Credit.

14 (c) Offer free tax preparation services, economic
15 benefits screening, and other related services.

16 (d) Provide information to businesses to enable them
17 to distribute economic benefits information to current and new
18 employees.

19 (8) By June 30, 2006, and annually thereafter, the
20 Prosperity Campaign Council shall report to the Governor and
21 to the Legislature the effectiveness of the council detailing
22 the progress made in establishing new prosperity campaigns,
23 including barriers to establishing new prosperity campaigns,
24 how the barriers were overcome, the partners involved and
25 their roles, and recommendations for the future.

26 (9) The Prosperity Campaign Council is abolished and
27 this section is repealed on July 1, 2009, unless reviewed and
28 saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

29 Section 2. Paragraph (i) of subsection (1) of section
30 1003.43, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

31 1003.43 General requirements for high school

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1 graduation.--

2 (1) Graduation requires successful completion of
3 either a minimum of 24 academic credits in grades 9 through 12
4 or an International Baccalaureate curriculum. The 24 credits
5 shall be distributed as follows:

6 (i) One-half credit in life management skills to
7 include instruction in financial literacy focused on the
8 importance of financial management, savings, investments,
9 credit scores, and other relevant subjects, consumer
10 education, positive emotional development, marriage and
11 relationship skill-based education, nutrition, parenting
12 skills, prevention of human immunodeficiency virus infection
13 and acquired immune deficiency syndrome and other sexually
14 transmissible diseases, benefits of sexual abstinence and
15 consequences of teenage pregnancy, information and instruction
16 on breast cancer detection and breast self-examination,
17 cardiopulmonary resuscitation, drug education, and the hazards
18 of smoking.

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20 District school boards may award a maximum of one-half credit
21 in social studies and one-half elective credit for student
22 completion of nonpaid voluntary community or school service
23 work. Students choosing this option must complete a minimum
24 of 75 hours of service in order to earn the one-half credit in
25 either category of instruction. Credit may not be earned for
26 service provided as a result of court action. District school
27 boards that approve the award of credit for student volunteer
28 service shall develop guidelines regarding the award of the
29 credit, and school principals are responsible for approving
30 specific volunteer activities. A course designated in the
31 Course Code Directory as grade 9 through grade 12 that is

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1 taken below the 9th grade may be used to satisfy high school
 2 graduation requirements or Florida Academic Scholars award
 3 requirements as specified in a district school board's student
 4 progression plan. A student shall be granted credit toward
 5 meeting the requirements of this subsection for equivalent
 6 courses, as identified pursuant to s. 1007.271(6), taken
 7 through dual enrollment.

8 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.
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12 And the title is amended as follows:

13 Delete everything before the enacting clause
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15 and insert:

16 A bill to be entitled
 17 An act relating to prosperity campaigns;
 18 creating s. 445.057, F.S.; establishing the
 19 Prosperity Campaign Office to be housed in
 20 Workforce Florida, Inc.; providing duties of
 21 the office; providing for establishment of the
 22 Florida Prosperity Campaign Council; providing
 23 membership and responsibilities; providing for
 24 meetings, per diem, and travel; requiring
 25 development of financial literacy information
 26 for use in high school life management skills
 27 courses and orientation programs at community
 28 colleges and universities; authorizing each
 29 Prosperity Campaign to connect low-wage workers
 30 to economic benefits programs and to offer
 31 additional services; providing for reporting

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1 requirements; providing for date certain
2 repeal; amending s. 1003.43; requiring
3 financial literacy instruction to be part of
4 life management skills courses; providing an
5 effective date.

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