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The Committee on Education (Webster) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 20, line 20, through
page 23, line 18, delete those lines

and insert:

(b) A private school participating in the John M. McKay Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program must ensure that each employee with direct student contact is of good moral character; is subject to the level 1 background screening as provided under chapter 453; is denied employment, or terminated from employment, if required under s. 435.06; and is not ineligible to teach in a public school because his or her educator certificate is suspended or revoked. This requirement does not apply to an individual who holds a valid Florida teaching certificate and who has been fingerprinted under s. 1012.32. A school that continues to employ an individual after notification that the individual has failed the level 1 background screening is not eligible to

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1 participate in the John M. McKay Scholarships for Students
 2 with Disabilities Program and may not provide scholarships
 3 under that program. As used in this paragraph, the term
 4 "employee with direct student contact" means an individual,
 5 paid by the school to provide a service or fill a position,
 6 who has unsupervised access to a scholarship student of the
 7 school. The costs of fingerprinting and the background check
 8 may not be borne by the state.

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12 And the title is amended as follows:

13 On page 2, lines 11-19, delete those lines

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15 and insert:

16 departments; requiring the private school to
 17 ensure that an employee with direct student
 18 contact undergo a background screening and meet
 19 certain criteria; providing that the state may
 20 not bear the cost of the background check;
 21 prohibiting the private school

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