

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

10 (2) The office shall assist the Florida Prosperity
11 Campaign Council, which shall be established and composed of
12 the following members:

13 (a) Four individuals, each representing a different
14 Prosperity Campaign in the state, appointed by the Governor.

15 (b) One member of the Greater Miami Prosperity
16 Campaign.

17 (c) One member of the Senate appointed by the
18 President of the Senate.

19 (d) One member of the House of Representatives
20 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

21 (e) The Chief Financial Officer or his or her
22 designee.

23 (f) One representative from the Florida Bankers
24 Association.

25 (g) One representative from the Florida Institute of
26 CPAs.

27 (h) One representative from the Florida Credit Union
28 League.

29 (i) The Commissioner of Education or his or her
30 designee.

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- 1 (j) One representative from the Florida League of
2 Cities.
- 3 (k) One representative from the Florida Association of
4 Counties.
- 5 (l) One representative from the Florida Association of
6 Realtors.
- 7 (m) One representative from United Way of Florida.
- 8 (n) One representative from Leadership Florida.
- 9 (o) One representative from the Florida Chamber of
10 Commerce.
- 11 (p) One representative from a nonprofit or
12 community-based, low-wage worker organization.
- 13 (q) One representative from the Florida Jump\$tart
14 Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy.
- 15 (3) The members of the council shall be appointed to
16 serve 2-year terms beginning July 1, 2006. A vacancy on the
17 council shall be filled for the balance of the unexpired term
18 in the same manner as the original appointment.
- 19 (4) The council shall meet each quarter of the year or
20 upon the call of the chair. Annually, at the meeting in the
21 first quarter, officers consisting of a chair, vice chair, and
22 secretary shall be elected. Each officer shall serve until a
23 successor is elected. No officer shall serve more than 2
24 consecutive years in the same office.
- 25 (5) Members of the council shall serve without
26 compensation, but are entitled to be reimbursed for per diem
27 and travel expenses in accordance with s. 112.061.
- 28 (6) The council's responsibilities shall include, but
29 not be limited to:
- 30 (a) Assisting in the development of Prosperity
31 Campaigns throughout the state.

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

3 (c) Developing implementation plans for new programs
4 using the best practices of existing and new in-state and
5 out-of-state Prosperity Campaigns.

6 (d) Coordinating financial literacy classes or
7 programs within each Prosperity Campaign.

8 (e) Working with businesses and agencies to develop a
9 package of services for citizens participating in Prosperity
10 Campaigns.

11 (f) Working with the Department of Education in
12 developing financial literacy instruction to be part of the
13 life management skills course pursuant to s. 1003.43. The
14 financial literacy instruction must focus on the importance of
15 financial management, savings, investments, credit scores, and
16 other relevant subjects. Community colleges and state
17 universities are encouraged to use financial literacy
18 information in student orientation programs.

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

21 (7) Each Prosperity Campaign is encouraged to perform
22 the following activities, but shall not be limited to such
23 activities:

24 (a) Educating citizens about available economic
25 benefits programs and the importance of wise financial
26 decisionmaking.

27 (b) Connecting low-wage workers to economic benefits
28 programs, including, but not limited to, the Earned Income Tax
29 Credit and the Childcare Tax Credit.

30 (c) Offering free tax preparation services, economic
31 benefits screening, and other related services.

1 (d) Providing information to businesses to enable them
2 to distribute economic benefits information to current and new
3 employees.

4 (e) Performing other activities deemed necessary by
5 the council.

6 (8) By June 30, 2007, and annually thereafter, the
7 council shall report to the Governor, the President of the
8 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on the
9 effectiveness of the council, detailing the progress made in
10 establishing new Prosperity Campaigns, including barriers to
11 establishing new Prosperity Campaigns, how the barriers were
12 overcome, the partners involved and their roles, and
13 recommendations for the future. The report shall also contain
14 information on existing Prosperity Campaigns, including, but
15 not limited to, constituents served and funds received.

16 (9) This section expires July 1, 2010, unless reviewed
17 and saved from repeal through reenactment by the Legislature.

18 Section 2. Paragraph (i) of subsection (1) of section
19 1003.43, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

20 1003.43 General requirements for high school
21 graduation.--

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

26 (i) One-half credit in life management skills to
27 include instruction in financial literacy focused on the
28 importance of financial management, savings, investments,
29 credit scores, and other relevant subjects; consumer
30 education;i positive emotional development;i marriage and
31 relationship skill-based education;i nutrition;i parenting

1 | skills;l prevention of human immunodeficiency virus infection
2 | and acquired immune deficiency syndrome and other sexually
3 | transmissible diseases;l benefits of sexual abstinence and
4 | consequences of teenage pregnancy;l information and
5 | instruction on breast cancer detection and breast
6 | self-examination;l cardiopulmonary resuscitation;l drug
7 | education;l and the hazards of smoking.
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9 | District school boards may award a maximum of one-half credit
10 | in social studies and one-half elective credit for student
11 | completion of nonpaid voluntary community or school service
12 | work. Students choosing this option must complete a minimum of
13 | 75 hours of service in order to earn the one-half credit in
14 | either category of instruction. Credit may not be earned for
15 | service provided as a result of court action. District school
16 | boards that approve the award of credit for student volunteer
17 | service shall develop guidelines regarding the award of the
18 | credit, and school principals are responsible for approving
19 | specific volunteer activities. A course designated in the
20 | Course Code Directory as grade 9 through grade 12 that is
21 | taken below the 9th grade may be used to satisfy high school
22 | graduation requirements or Florida Academic Scholars award
23 | requirements as specified in a district school board's student
24 | progression plan. A student shall be granted credit toward
25 | meeting the requirements of this subsection for equivalent
26 | courses, as identified pursuant to s. 1007.271(6), taken
27 | through dual enrollment.

28 | Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.
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