By the Committee on Health Care; and Senator Peaden

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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to high school athletics;
3	amending s. 1002.22, F.S.; authorizing the
4	disclosure of certain records of a student
5	under specified circumstances to certain
6	persons when in conjunction with a drug testing
7	program to randomly test for anabolic steroids
8	in students grades 9 through 12 who participate
9	in interscholastic athletics in member schools
10	of the Florida High School Athletic
11	Association; amending s. 1006.20, F.S.;
12	requiring the Florida High School Athletic
13	Association to facilitate a 3-year drug testing
14	program to randomly test for anabolic steroids
15	in students in grades 9 through 12 who
16	participate in interscholastic athletics in its
17	member schools; requiring schools to consent to
18	the provisions of the program as a prerequisite
19	for membership in the organization; requiring
20	the organization to establish procedures for
21	the conduct of the program, including
22	contracting with a testing agency to administer
23	the program; requiring that records that
24	contain findings of a drug test be maintained
25	separately from a student's educational
26	records; providing for disclosure; requiring
27	students and their parents to consent to the
28	provisions of the program as a prerequisite for
29	eligibility to participate in interscholastic
30	athletics; providing penalties for students
31	selected for testing who fail to provide a

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specimen; requiring the administration of a school to meet with a student who tests positive and his or her parent to review the finding, penalties, and procedure for challenge and appeal; providing penalties for first, second, and third positive findings; providing due process procedures for challenge and appeal; requiring the organization to provide an annual report to the Legislature on the results of the program; providing an exemption from civil liability resulting from implementation of the program; requiring the Department of Legal Affairs to provide defense in claims of civil liability; requiring program expenses to be paid through legislative appropriation; providing for expiration of the program; providing an appropriation; providing an effective date. Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section 1002.22, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1002.22 Student records and reports; rights of parents and students; notification; penalty. --(3) RIGHTS OF PARENT OR STUDENT. -- The parent of any student who attends or has attended any public school, career center, or public postsecondary educational institution shall have the following rights with respect to any records or

educational institution in the state. However, whenever a

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student has attained 18 years of age, or is attending a postsecondary educational institution, the permission or consent required of, and the rights accorded to, the parents of the student shall thereafter be required of and accorded to the student only, unless the student is a dependent student of such parents as defined in 26 U.S.C. s. 152 (s. 152 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954). The State Board of Education shall adopt rules whereby parents or students may exercise these rights:

- (d) Right of privacy.--Every student has a right of privacy with respect to the educational records kept on him or her. Personally identifiable records or reports of a student, and any personal information contained therein, are confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1). A state or local educational agency, board, public school, career center, or public postsecondary educational institution may not permit the release of such records, reports, or information without the written consent of the student's parent, or of the student himself or herself if he or she is qualified as provided in this subsection, to any individual, agency, or organization. However, personally identifiable records or reports of a student may be released to the following persons or organizations without the consent of the student or the student's parent:
- 1. Officials of schools, school systems, career centers, or public postsecondary educational institutions in which the student seeks or intends to enroll; and a copy of such records or reports shall be furnished to the parent or student upon request.
- 2. Other school officials, including teachers within the educational institution or agency, who have legitimate

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educational interests in the information contained in the records.

- 3. The United States Secretary of Education, the Director of the National Institute of Education, the Assistant Secretary for Education, the Comptroller General of the United States, or state or local educational authorities who are authorized to receive such information subject to the conditions set forth in applicable federal statutes and regulations of the United States Department of Education, or in applicable state statutes and rules of the State Board of Education.
- 4. Other school officials, in connection with a student's application for or receipt of financial aid.
- 5. Individuals or organizations conducting studies for or on behalf of an institution or a board of education for the purpose of developing, validating, or administering predictive tests, administering student aid programs, or improving instruction, if the studies are conducted in a manner that does not permit the personal identification of students and their parents by persons other than representatives of such organizations and if the information will be destroyed when no longer needed for the purpose of conducting such studies.
- 6. Accrediting organizations, in order to carry out their accrediting functions.
- 7. Early learning coalitions and the Agency for Workforce Innovation in order to carry out their assigned duties.
- 8. For use as evidence in student expulsion hearings conducted by a district school board under chapter 120.
- 9. Appropriate parties in connection with an emergency, if knowledge of the information in the student's

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educational records is necessary to protect the health or safety of the student or other individuals.

- 10. The Auditor General and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability in connection with their official functions; however, except when the collection of personally identifiable information is specifically authorized by law, any data collected by the Auditor General and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and shall be protected in a way that does not permit the personal identification of students and their parents by other than the Auditor General, the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, and their staff, and the personally identifiable data shall be destroyed when no longer needed for the Auditor General's and the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability's official use.
- 11.a. A court of competent jurisdiction in compliance with an order of that court or the attorney of record in accordance with a lawfully issued subpoena, upon the condition that the student and the student's parent are notified of the order or subpoena in advance of compliance therewith by the educational institution or agency.
- b. A person or entity in accordance with a court of competent jurisdiction in compliance with an order of that court or the attorney of record pursuant to a lawfully issued subpoena, upon the condition that the student, or his or her parent if the student is either a minor and not attending a postsecondary educational institution or a dependent of such parent as defined in 26 U.S.C. s. 152 (s. 152 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954), is notified of the order or subpoena in

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advance of compliance therewith by the educational institution or agency.

- 12. Credit bureaus, in connection with an agreement for financial aid that the student has executed, if the information is disclosed only to the extent necessary to enforce the terms or conditions of the financial aid agreement. Credit bureaus shall not release any information obtained under this paragraph to any person.
- 13. Parties to an interagency agreement among the Department of Juvenile Justice, school and law enforcement authorities, and other signatory agencies for the purpose of reducing juvenile crime and especially motor vehicle theft by promoting cooperation and collaboration, and the sharing of appropriate information in a joint effort to improve school safety, to reduce truancy and in-school and out-of-school suspensions, and to support alternatives to in-school and out-of-school suspensions and expulsions that provide structured and well-supervised educational programs supplemented by a coordinated overlay of other appropriate services designed to correct behaviors that lead to truancy, suspensions, and expulsions, and that support students in successfully completing their education. Information provided in furtherance of the interagency agreements is intended solely for use in determining the appropriate programs and services for each juvenile or the juvenile's family, or for coordinating the delivery of the programs and services, and as such is inadmissible in any court proceedings before a dispositional hearing unless written consent is provided by a parent or other responsible adult on behalf of the juvenile.
- 14. Consistent with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, the Department of Children and Family Services or

a community-based care lead agency acting on behalf of the 2 Department of Children and Family Services, as appropriate. 3 15. The Florida High School Athletic Association, the 4 administration of the student's school, the administration of 5 any school to which the student may transfer during a suspension from participation in interscholastic athletics 7 resulting from a positive finding, the student, and the 8 student's parent only in accordance with the requirements of s. 1006.20(10). 9 10 This paragraph does not prohibit any educational institution 11 12 from publishing and releasing to the general public directory 13 information relating to a student if the institution elects to do so. However, no educational institution shall release, to 14 any individual, agency, or organization that is not listed in 15 subparagraphs 1.-14., directory information relating to the 16 17 student body in general or a portion thereof unless it is normally published for the purpose of release to the public in 18 general. Any educational institution making directory 19 information public shall give public notice of the categories 20 21 of information that it has designated as directory information 22 for all students attending the institution and shall allow a 23 reasonable period of time after the notice has been given for a parent or student to inform the institution in writing that 2.4 any or all of the information designated should not be 2.5 released. 26 27 Section 2. Subsection (10) is added to section 2.8 1006.20, Florida Statutes, to read: 29 1006.20 Athletics in public K-12 schools.--30 (10) RANDOM DRUG TESTING PROGRAM. --

(a) The organization shall facilitate a 3-year program
during the 2006-2007, 2007-2008, and 2008-2009 academic years
in which students in grades 9 through 12 in its member schools
who participate in interscholastic athletics governed by the
organization shall be subject to random testing for the use of
anabolic steroids as defined in s. 893.03(3)(d). All schools,
both public and private, shall consent to the provisions of
this subsection as a prerequisite for membership in the
organization for the duration of the program.

- (b) The organization's board of directors shall establish procedures for the conduct of the program which, at a minimum, shall provide for the following:
- 1. The organization shall select and enter into a contract with a testing agency that will administer the testing program. The laboratory used by the testing agency to analyze specimens shall be accredited by the World Anti-Doping Agency.
- 2. A minimum of 1 percent of the total students who participate in each interscholastic sport, based on participation numbers reported to the organization during the preceding academic year, shall be randomly selected to undergo a test in each year of the program.
- 3. Each member school shall report to the organization each year the names of students who will represent the school in interscholastic athletics during that year. A student shall not be eliqible to participate in interscholastic athletics in a member school until the student's name has been reported to the organization by the school in the year in which such participation is to occur.
- 4. Each year, the organization shall provide to the testing agency all names of students that are submitted by its

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selections for testing from these names. 5. The testing agency shall notify not fewer than 7 days in advance both the administration of a school and the organization of the date on which its representatives will be present at the school to collect a specimen from a randomly selected student. However, the name of the student from which a specimen is to be collected shall not be disclosed. The records containing the findings of a student's drug test held by the testing agency that contracts with the organization for the testing program under this subsection must be maintained separately from a student's educational records and must be disclosed in accordance with s. 1002.22(3)(d) by the testing agency only to the organization, the student, the student's parent, the administration of the student's school, and the administration of any school to which the student may transfer during a suspension from participation in interscholastic athletics resulting from a positive finding. (c) In each year of the program, each student who wishes to participate in interscholastic athletics and his or her parent must consent to the provisions of this subsection as a prerequisite for athletic eligibility. This consent shall

member schools. The testing agency shall make its random

student's ineligibility to participate in all interscholastic 2.8 athletics. The consent form shall include the following

be in writing on a form prescribed by the organization and

provided to the student by his or her school. Failure to

complete and sign the consent form shall result in the

29 information:

1. A brief description of the drug testing program.

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1	2. The penalties for a first, second, and third
2	positive finding.
3	3. The procedure for challenging a positive finding.
4	4. The procedure for appealing a prescribed penalty.
5	(d) A student who is selected for testing and fails to
6	provide a specimen shall be immediately suspended from
7	interscholastic athletic practice and competition until such
8	time as a specimen is provided.
9	(e) If a student tests positive in a test administered
10	under this subsection, the administration of the school the
11	student attends shall immediately:
12	1. Suspend the student from participation in all
13	interscholastic athletic practice and competition.
14	2. Notify and schedule a meeting with the student and
15	his or her parent during which the principal or his or her
16	designee shall review with them the positive finding, the
17	procedure for challenging the positive finding, the prescribed
18	penalties, and the procedure for appealing the prescribed
19	penalties.
20	(f) The following penalties are prescribed for
21	positive findings resulting from tests administered under this
22	subsection:
23	1. For a first positive finding, the student shall be
24	suspended from all interscholastic athletic practice and
25	competition for a period of 90 school days and shall be
26	subject to a mandatory exit test for restoration of
27	eligibility no sooner than the 60th school day of the
28	suspension. If the exit test is negative, the organization
29	shall restore the eligibility of the student at the conclusion
30	of the 90-school-day period of suspension. If the exit test is
31	positive, the student shall remain suspended from all

interscholastic athletic practice and competition until such 2 time as a subsequent retest of the student results in a negative finding. The student shall be subject to repeated 3 4 tests for the duration of his or her high school athletic eligibility. 5 6 2. For a second positive finding, the student shall be suspended from all interscholastic athletic practice and 8 competition for a period of 1 calendar year and shall be subject to a mandatory exit test for restoration of 9 10 eligibility no sooner than the 11th month of the suspension. If the exit test is negative, the organization shall restore 11 12 the eligibility of the student at the conclusion of the 13 1-calendar-year period of suspension. If the exit test is positive, the student shall remain suspended from all 14 interscholastic athletic practice and competition until such 15 time as a subsequent retest of the student results in a 16 negative finding. The student shall be subject to repeated 18 tests for the duration of his or her high school athletic eligibility. 19 3. For a third positive finding, the student shall be 2.0 21 permanently suspended from all interscholastic athletic 2.2 practice and competition. 23 (q) In addition to the penalties prescribed in paragraph (f), a student who tests positive in a test 2.4 administered under this subsection shall attend and complete 2.5 an appropriate mandatory drug education program conducted by 26 2.7 the student's school, the student's school district, or a 2.8 third-party organization contracted by the school or school district to conduct such an education program. 29 30

(h) The following due process shall be afforded each 2 student who tests positive in a test administered under this 3 subsection: 4 1. The member school may challenge a positive finding and must challenge a positive finding at the request of the 5 6 student. A sample of the original specimen provided by the 7 student and retained by the testing agency shall be analyzed. 8 The member school or the student's parent shall pay the cost of the analysis. If the analysis results in a positive 9 10 finding, the student shall remain ineligible until the prescribed penalty is fulfilled. If the analysis results in a 11 12 negative finding, the organization shall immediately restore 13 the eligibility of the student and shall refund to the member school or student's parent the cost of the analysis. The 14 student shall remain suspended from interscholastic athletic 15 practice and competition during the challenge. 16 2.a. A member school may appeal to the organization's commissioner the period of ineligibility imposed on a student 18 as a result of a positive finding and must appeal at the 19 request of the student. The commissioner may require the 2.0 21 student to complete the prescribed penalty, reduce the prescribed penalty by one-half, or provide complete relief 2.2 23 from the prescribed penalty. Regardless of the decision of the commissioner, the student shall remain ineligible until the 2.4 student tests negative on the mandatory exit test and the 2.5 student's eligibility is restored by the organization. 2.6 27 b. Should the school or student be dissatisfied with 2.8 the decision of the commissioner, the school may pursue the 29 appeal before the organization's board of directors and must do so at the request of the student. The board of directors 30 may require the student to complete the prescribed penalty, 31

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reduce the prescribed penalty by one-half, or provide complete relief from the prescribed penalty. Regardless of the decision of the board of directors, the student shall remain ineligible until the student tests negative on the mandatory exit test and the student's eligibility is restored by the organization.

The decision of the board of directors on each appeal shall be final.

- c. Technical experts may serve as consultants to both the organization's commissioner and its board of directors in connection with such appeals.
- (i) No later than October 1 following each year of the program, the organization shall submit to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives a report on the results of the program for that year, as well as the aggregate results of the program to date. The report shall include statistics on the number of students tested; the number of first, second, and third violations; the number of challenges and their results; the number of appeals and their dispositions; and the costs incurred by the organization in the administration of the program, including attorney's fees and other expenses of litigation.
- (j) The organization, members of its board of directors, and its employees and member schools and their employees are exempt from civil liability arising from any act or omission in connection with the program conducted under this subsection. The Department of Legal Affairs shall defend the organization, members of its board of directors, and its employees and member schools and their employees in any action against such parties arising from any such act or omission. In providing such defense, the Department of Legal Affairs may

employ or use the legal services of outside counsel.

1	(k) All expenses of the program shall be paid with
2	funds appropriated by the Legislature. Such expenses shall
3	include, but not be limited to, all fees and expenses charged
4	by the testing agency for administrative services, specimen
5	collection services, and specimen analysis; all administrative
6	expenses incurred by the organization in the facilitation of
7	the program; and all attorney's fees and other expenses of
8	litigation resulting from legal challenges related to the
9	program.
10	(1) The provisions of this subsection shall expire on
11	June 30, 2009, or at such earlier date as appropriated funds
12	are exhausted.
13	Section 3. There is appropriated from the General
14	Revenue Fund to the Florida High School Athletic Association
15	the sum of \$3 million for the purpose of administering the
16	provisions of s. 1006.20(10), Florida Statutes, as created by
17	this act. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at
18	the end of the 2008-2009 fiscal year shall revert to the
19	General Revenue Fund.
20	Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.
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1	STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
2	<u>Senate Bill 1928</u>
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4	The committee substitute creates an exception to the public records exemption for student records under s. 1002.22(3),
5	F.S., to authorize the disclosure of student records to the Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA), the
6	administration of the student's school, the administration of any school to which the student may transfer during a
7	suspension from participation in interscholastic athletics resulting from a positive drug finding, the student, and the
8	student's parent only in accordance with the requirements of s. 1006.20(10), F.S., which relates to the drug testing
9	program to randomly test for anabolic steroids in students grade 9th through 12th who participate in interscholastic
10 11	athletics in member schools of FHSAA. The committee substitute clarifies that records that contain findings of a drug test held by the testing agency that contracts with FHSAA, rather
12	than the "finding of a drug test," must be maintained separately from a student's educational records and may be
13	disclosed to certain persons.
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