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

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 29, between lines 29 and 30,

insert:

Section 9. Subsection (18) of section 1001.42, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1001.42 Powers and duties of district school board.--The district school board, acting as a board, shall exercise all powers and perform all duties listed below:

(18) CORPORATE INCOME TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM; FAMILIES OF STUDENTS ATTENDING FAILING SCHOOLS OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS.--Adopt policies allowing students attending schools that have been designated as performance grade category "F," failing to make adequate progress, for 2 school years in a 4-year period to attend a higher performing public school in the same district ~~or an adjoining district~~ or be granted a ~~state opportunity~~ scholarship to transport the student to a public school in an adjoining district or a

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1 scholarship to attend a private school, in conformance with s.
2 220.1875 ~~s. 1002.38~~ and State Board of Education rule.

3 Section 10. Subsection (6) of section 1002.20, Florida
4 Statutes, is amended to read:

5 1002.20 K-12 student and parent rights.--Parents of
6 public school students must receive accurate and timely
7 information regarding their child's academic progress and must
8 be informed of ways they can help their child to succeed in
9 school. K-12 students and their parents are afforded numerous
10 statutory rights including, but not limited to, the following:

11 (6) EDUCATIONAL CHOICE.--

12 (a) Public school choices.--Parents of public school
13 students may seek whatever public school choice options that
14 are applicable to their students and are available to students
15 in their school districts. These options may include
16 controlled open enrollment, lab schools, charter schools,
17 charter technical career centers, magnet schools, alternative
18 schools, special programs, advanced placement, dual
19 enrollment, International Baccalaureate, International General
20 Certificate of Secondary Education (pre-AICE), Advanced
21 International Certificate of Education, early admissions,
22 credit by examination or demonstration of competency, the New
23 World School of the Arts, the Florida School for the Deaf and
24 the Blind, and the Florida Virtual School. These options may
25 also include the public school choice options of the corporate
26 income tax credit scholarship programs ~~Opportunity Scholarship~~
27 ~~Program~~ and the McKay Scholarships for Students with
28 Disabilities Program.

29 (b) Private school choices.--Parents of public school
30 students may seek private school choice options under certain
31 programs.

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1 1. Under the corporate income tax credit scholarship
 2 program for families of students attending schools failing to
 3 make adequate progress ~~Opportunity Scholarship Program~~, the
 4 parent of a student in a failing public school may seek a
 5 ~~request and receive an opportunity~~ scholarship from an
 6 eligible nonprofit scholarship-funding organization for the
 7 student to attend a private school in accordance with the
 8 provisions of s. 220.1875 ~~s. 1002.38~~.

9 2. Under the McKay Scholarships for Students with
 10 Disabilities Program, the parent of a public school student
 11 with a disability who is dissatisfied with the student's
 12 progress may request and receive a McKay Scholarship for the
 13 student to attend a private school in accordance with the
 14 provisions of s. 1002.39.

15 3. Under the corporate income tax credit scholarship
 16 program for families that have limited financial resources,
 17 the parent of a student who qualifies for free or
 18 reduced-price school lunch may seek a scholarship from an
 19 eligible nonprofit scholarship-funding organization for the
 20 student to attend a private school in accordance with the
 21 provisions of s. 220.187.

22 (c) Home education.--The parent of a student may
 23 choose to place the student in a home education program in
 24 accordance with the provisions of s. 1002.41.

25 (d) Private tutoring.--The parent of a student may
 26 choose to place the student in a private tutoring program in
 27 accordance with the provisions of s. 1002.43(1).

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 29 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)
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2 And the title is amended as follows:

3 On page 3, line 7, after the semicolon,

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5 insert:

6 amending ss. 1001.42 and 1002.20, F.S., to

7 conform to the repeal of the Opportunity

8 Scholarship Program and the creation of the tax

9 credit program for families of students

10 attending schools failing to make adequate

11 progress;

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