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See HB

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to district school boards;
3 amending s. 1003.02, F.S.; requiring each
4 district school board that selects a vendor to
5 market student class rings to select a vendor
6 that meets certain criteria; requiring each
7 district school board to notify students and
8 parents that the purchase of a class ring may
9 be through any vendor marketing class rings and
10 that a student may participate in related
11 ceremonies or activities regardless of the
12 vendor through which the purchase was made;
13 providing an effective date.

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15 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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17 Section 1. Subsection (5) is added to section 1003.02,
18 Florida Statutes, to read:

19 1003.02 District school board operation and control of
20 public K-12 education within the school district.--As provided
21 in part II of chapter 1001, district school boards are
22 constitutionally and statutorily charged with the operation
23 and control of public K-12 education within their school
24 district. The district school boards must establish, organize,
25 and operate their public K-12 schools and educational
26 programs, employees, and facilities. Their responsibilities
27 include staff development, public K-12 school student
28 education including education for exceptional students and
29 students in juvenile justice programs, special programs, adult
30 education programs, and career education programs.
31 Additionally, district school boards must:

1 (5)(a) If selecting a vendor to market class rings to
2 students, select a vendor that does not intimidate students
3 with respect to the purchase of class rings or discriminate
4 against a student who purchases a class ring from another
5 vendor by excluding the student from participating in any
6 ceremony or activity relating to the receipt of a class ring.

7 (b) Notify in writing each student and his or her
8 parent that the student may purchase his or her class ring
9 through any vendor regardless of the fact that the district
10 school board may contract with a vendor for marketing class
11 rings. The notification must include an explanation of the
12 right of each student purchasing a class ring to participate
13 in any ceremony or activity relating to the receipt of a class
14 ring.

15 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.
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