



1 School Program"; defining the term "A  
2 Business-Community School"; requiring each  
3 school board to submit certain documentation to  
4 the Department of Education; requiring each  
5 school board to designate a school program  
6 liaison; requiring each school district to  
7 establish an evaluation committee; requiring  
8 each school board to provide to the department  
9 information about each member of the committee;  
10 requiring the committee to submit an annual  
11 report to the school board and the  
12 superintendent; providing for the committee's  
13 responsibilities; providing for admissions of  
14 students to the school program; authorizing a  
15 school district and a business to enter into a  
16 contract for operation of the school program;  
17 amending s. 1013.502, F.S.; providing for  
18 facilities for the school program; providing an  
19 effective date.

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21 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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23 Section 1. Section 1001.47, Florida Statutes, is  
24 amended to read:

25 1001.47 District school superintendent; salary.--

26 (1) Each elected district school superintendent shall  
27 receive as salary the amount indicated pursuant to this  
28 section. However, a district school board, by majority vote,  
29 may approve a salary in excess of the amount specified in this  
30 section.

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1           (2) Each elected district school superintendent shall  
2 receive a base salary, the amounts indicated in this  
3 subsection, based on the population of the county the elected  
4 superintendent serves. In addition, compensation shall be made  
5 for population increments over the minimum for each population  
6 group, which shall be determined by multiplying the population  
7 in excess of the minimum for the group times the group rate.  
8 The product of such calculation shall be added to the base  
9 salary to determine the adjusted base salary. Laws that  
10 increase the base salary provided in this subsection shall  
11 contain provisions on no other subject.

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	Pop. Group	County Pop. Range	Base Salary	Group Rate	
		Minimum	Maximum		
16	I	-0-	49,999	\$21,250	\$0.07875
17	II	50,000	99,999	24,400	0.06300
18	III	100,000	199,999	27,550	0.02625
19	IV	200,000	399,999	30,175	0.01575
20	V	400,000	999,999	33,325	0.00525
21	VI	1,000,000		36,475	0.00400

22           (3) The adjusted base salaries of elected district  
23 school superintendents shall be increased annually as provided  
24 for in s. 145.19. Any salary previously paid to elected  
25 superintendents, including the salary calculated for fiscal  
26 years 2002-2003 and 2003-2004, which was consistent with  
27 chapter 145 and s. 230.303, Florida Statutes (2001), is hereby  
28 ratified and validated.

29           ~~(4) This section does not apply to a district school~~  
30 ~~superintendent appointed pursuant to the terms of s. 1001.50.~~

1           ~~(4)(5)~~(a) There shall be an additional \$2,000 per year  
2 special qualification salary paid by district school boards  
3 for each elected district school superintendent who has met  
4 the certification requirements established by the Department  
5 of Education. Any elected district school superintendent who  
6 is certified during a calendar year shall receive in that year  
7 a pro rata share of the special qualification salary based on  
8 the remaining period of the year.

9           (b) In order to qualify for the special qualification  
10 salary provided by paragraph (a), the elected district school  
11 superintendent must complete the requirements established by  
12 the Department of Education within 6 years after first taking  
13 office.

14           (c) After an elected ~~a~~ district school superintendent  
15 meets the requirements of paragraph (a), in order to remain  
16 certified the district school superintendent shall thereafter  
17 be required to complete each year a course of continuing  
18 education as prescribed by the Department of Education.

19           ~~(5)(6)~~(a) The Department of Education shall provide a  
20 leadership development and performance compensation program  
21 for elected district school superintendents, comparable to  
22 chief executive officer development programs for corporate  
23 executive officers, to include:

24           1. A content-knowledge-and-skills phase consisting of:  
25 creative leadership models and theory, demonstration of  
26 effective practice, simulation exercises and personal skills  
27 practice, and assessment with feedback, taught in a  
28 professional training setting under the direction of  
29 experienced, successful trainers.

30           2. A competency-acquisition phase consisting of  
31 on-the-job application of knowledge and skills for a period of

1 not less than 6 months following the successful completion of  
2 the content-knowledge-and-skills phase. The  
3 competency-acquisition phase shall be supported by adequate  
4 professional technical assistance provided by experienced  
5 trainers approved by the department. Competency acquisition  
6 shall be demonstrated through assessment and feedback.

7 (b) Upon the successful completion of both phases and  
8 demonstrated successful performance, as determined by the  
9 department, an elected ~~a~~ district school superintendent shall  
10 be issued a Chief Executive Officer Leadership Development  
11 Certificate, and the department shall pay ~~and shall be given~~  
12 an annual performance salary incentive of not less than \$3,000  
13 nor more than \$7,500 based upon his or her performance  
14 evaluation.

15 (c) An elected ~~A~~ district school superintendent's  
16 eligibility to continue receiving the annual performance  
17 salary incentive is contingent upon his or her continued  
18 performance assessment and followup training prescribed by the  
19 department.

20 Section 2. Subsection (4) is added to section 1001.50,  
21 Florida Statutes, to read:

22 1001.50 Superintendents employed under Art. IX of the  
23 State Constitution.--

24 (4) A district school superintendent employed under  
25 the terms of this section may participate in the courses of  
26 continuing professional education provided in the special  
27 qualification certification program pursuant to s. 1001.47(4)  
28 and the leadership development and performance compensation  
29 program pursuant to s. 1001.47(5), as established by the  
30 department. Upon successful completion of the certification  
31 requirements for one or both of these programs, the district

1 school board may use such certification or certifications as a  
2 factor in determining the amount of compensation to be paid.

3           Section 3. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section  
4 1003.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

5           1003.02 District school board operation and control of  
6 public K-12 education within the school district.--As provided  
7 in part II of chapter 1001, district school boards are  
8 constitutionally and statutorily charged with the operation  
9 and control of public K-12 education within their school  
10 district. The district school boards must establish, organize,  
11 and operate their public K-12 schools and educational  
12 programs, employees, and facilities. Their responsibilities  
13 include staff development, public K-12 school student  
14 education including education for exceptional students and  
15 students in juvenile justice programs, special programs, adult  
16 education programs, and career education programs.

17 Additionally, district school boards must:

18           (1) Provide for the proper accounting for all students  
19 of school age, for the attendance and control of students at  
20 school, and for proper attention to health, safety, and other  
21 matters relating to the welfare of students in the following  
22 fields:

23           (b) Enforcement of attendance laws.--Provide for the  
24 enforcement of all laws and rules relating to the attendance  
25 of students at school. District school boards are authorized  
26 to establish policies that allow accumulated unexcused  
27 tardies, regardless of when they occur during the school day,  
28 and early departures from school to be recorded as unexcused  
29 absences. District school boards are also authorized to  
30 establish policies that require referral to a school's child

1 study team for students who have fewer absences than the  
2 number required by s. 1003.26(1)(b).

3           Section 4. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section  
4 1003.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

5           1003.21 School attendance.--

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7           (c) A student who attains the age of 16 years during  
8 the school year is not subject to compulsory school attendance  
9 beyond the date upon which he or she attains that age if the  
10 student files a formal declaration of intent to terminate  
11 school enrollment with the district school board. Public  
12 school students who have attained the age of 16 years and who  
13 have not graduated are subject to compulsory school attendance  
14 until the formal declaration of intent is filed with the  
15 district school board. The declaration must acknowledge that  
16 terminating school enrollment is likely to reduce the  
17 student's earning potential and must be signed by the student  
18 and the student's parent. The school district must notify the  
19 student's parent of receipt of the student's declaration of  
20 intent to terminate school enrollment. The student's guidance  
21 counselor or other school personnel must conduct an exit  
22 interview with the student to determine the reasons for the  
23 student's decision to terminate school enrollment and actions  
24 that could be taken to keep the student in school. The student  
25 must be informed of opportunities to continue his or her  
26 education in a different environment, including, but not  
27 limited to, adult education and GED test preparation.  
28 Additionally, the student must complete a survey in a format  
29 prescribed by the Department of Education to provide data on  
30 student reasons for terminating enrollment and actions taken  
31 by schools to keep students enrolled.

1 Section 5. Section 1003.26, Florida Statutes, is  
2 amended to read:

3 1003.26 Enforcement of school attendance.--The  
4 Legislature finds that poor academic performance is associated  
5 with nonattendance and that school districts ~~schools~~ must take  
6 an active role in promoting and enforcing attendance as a  
7 means of improving student ~~the~~ performance ~~of many students~~.

8 It is the policy of the state that each district school  
9 superintendent be responsible for enforcing school attendance  
10 of all students subject to the compulsory school age in the  
11 school district and supporting enforcement of school

12 attendance by local law enforcement agencies. The  
13 responsibility includes recommending policies and procedures  
14 to the district school board ~~policies and procedures to ensure~~  
15 that require public schools to respond in a timely manner to  
16 every unexcused absence, and every ~~or~~ absence for which the  
17 reason is unknown, of students enrolled in the schools.

18 District school board policies shall ~~must~~ require the each  
19 parent of a student to justify each absence of the student,  
20 and that justification will be evaluated based on adopted  
21 district school board policies that define excused and  
22 unexcused absences. The policies must provide that public  
23 schools track excused and unexcused absences and contact the  
24 home in the case of an unexcused absence from school, or an  
25 absence from school for which the reason is unknown, to  
26 prevent the development of patterns of nonattendance. The  
27 Legislature finds that early intervention in school attendance  
28 ~~matters~~ is the most effective way of producing good attendance  
29 habits that will lead to improved student learning and  
30 achievement. Each public school shall implement the following  
31 steps to promote and enforce regular school attendance:



1 (1) CONTACT, REFER, AND ENFORCE.--

2 (a) Upon each unexcused absence, or absence for which  
3 the reason is unknown, the school principal or his or her  
4 designee shall contact the student's parent to determine the  
5 reason for the absence. If the absence is an excused absence,  
6 as defined by district school board policy, the school shall  
7 provide opportunities for the student to make up assigned work  
8 and not receive an academic penalty unless the work is not  
9 made up within a reasonable time.

10 (b) If a student has had at least five unexcused  
11 absences, or absences for which the reasons are unknown,  
12 within a calendar month or 10 unexcused absences, or absences  
13 for which the reasons are unknown, within a 90-calendar-day  
14 period, the student's primary teacher shall report to the  
15 school principal or his or her designee that the student may  
16 be exhibiting a pattern of nonattendance. The principal shall,  
17 unless there is clear evidence that the absences are not a  
18 pattern of nonattendance, refer the case to the school's child  
19 study team to determine if early patterns of truancy are  
20 developing. If the child study team finds that a pattern of  
21 nonattendance is developing, whether the absences are excused  
22 or not, a meeting with the parent must be scheduled to  
23 identify potential remedies, and the principal shall notify  
24 the district school superintendent and the school district  
25 contact for home education programs that the referred student  
26 is exhibiting a pattern of nonattendance.

27 (c) If an initial meeting does not resolve the  
28 problem, the child study team shall implement the following  
29 ~~interventions that best address the problem. The interventions~~  
30 ~~may include, but need not be limited to:~~

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- 1           1. Frequent attempts at communication between the  
2 teacher and the family.†  
3           ~~2. Changes in the learning environment;~~  
4           ~~3. Mentoring;~~  
5           ~~4. Student counseling;~~  
6           ~~5. Tutoring, including peer tutoring;~~  
7           ~~6. Placement into different classes;~~  
8           2.7. Evaluation for alternative education programs.†  
9           3.8. Attendance contracts.†  
10          ~~9. Referral to other agencies for family services; or~~  
11          ~~10. Other interventions, including, but not limited~~  
12 ~~to, a truancy petition pursuant to s. 984.151.~~

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14 The child study team may, but is not required to, implement  
15 other interventions, including referral to other agencies for  
16 family services or recommendation for filing a truancy  
17 petition pursuant to s. 984.151.

18           (d) The child study team shall be diligent in  
19 facilitating intervention services and shall report the case  
20 to the district school superintendent only when all reasonable  
21 efforts to resolve the nonattendance behavior are exhausted.

22           (e) If the parent refuses to participate in the  
23 remedial strategies because he or she believes that those  
24 strategies are unnecessary or inappropriate, the parent may  
25 appeal to the district school board. The district school board  
26 may provide a hearing officer, and the hearing officer shall  
27 make a recommendation for final action to the district school  
28 board. If the district school board's final determination is  
29 that the strategies of the child study team are appropriate,  
30 and the parent still refuses to participate or cooperate, the  
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1 district school superintendent may seek criminal prosecution  
2 for noncompliance with compulsory school attendance.

3 (f)1. If the parent of a child who has been identified  
4 as exhibiting a pattern of nonattendance enrolls the child in  
5 a home education program pursuant to chapter 1002, the  
6 district school superintendent shall provide the parent a copy  
7 of s. 1002.41 and the accountability requirements of this  
8 paragraph. The district school superintendent shall also refer  
9 the parent to a home education review committee composed of  
10 the district contact for home education programs and at least  
11 two home educators selected by the parent from a district list  
12 of all home educators who have conducted a home education  
13 program for at least 3 years and who have indicated a  
14 willingness to serve on the committee. The home education  
15 review committee shall review the portfolio of the student, as  
16 defined by s. 1002.41, every 30 days during the district's  
17 regular school terms until the committee is satisfied that the  
18 home education program is in compliance with s. 1002.41(1)(b).  
19 The first portfolio review must occur within the first 30  
20 calendar days of the establishment of the program. The  
21 provisions of subparagraph 2. do not apply once the committee  
22 determines the home education program is in compliance with s.  
23 1002.41(1)(b).

24 2. If the parent fails to provide a portfolio to the  
25 committee, the committee shall notify the district school  
26 superintendent. The district school superintendent shall then  
27 terminate the home education program and require the parent to  
28 enroll the child in an attendance option that meets the  
29 definition of "regular school attendance" under s.  
30 1003.01(13)(a), (b), (c), or (e), within 3 days. Upon  
31 termination of a home education program pursuant to this

1 | subparagraph, the parent shall not be eligible to reenroll the  
2 | child in a home education program for 180 calendar days.  
3 | Failure of a parent to enroll the child in an attendance  
4 | option as required by this subparagraph after termination of  
5 | the home education program pursuant to this subparagraph shall  
6 | constitute noncompliance with the compulsory attendance  
7 | requirements of s. 1003.21 and may result in criminal  
8 | prosecution under s. 1003.27(2). Nothing contained herein  
9 | shall restrict the ability of the district school  
10 | superintendent, or the ability of his or her designee, to  
11 | review the portfolio pursuant to s. 1002.41(1)(b).

12 |         (g) If a student subject to compulsory school  
13 | attendance will not comply with attempts to enforce school  
14 | attendance, the parent or the district school superintendent  
15 | or his or her designee shall refer the case to the case  
16 | staffing committee pursuant to s. 984.12, and the district  
17 | school superintendent or his or her designee may file a  
18 | truancy petition pursuant to the procedures in s. 984.151.

19 |         (2) GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE.--

20 |         (a) Under the direction of the district school  
21 | superintendent, a designated school representative shall give  
22 | written notice that requires enrollment or attendance within 3  
23 | days after the date of notice, in person or by return-receipt  
24 | mail, to the parent when no valid reason is found for a  
25 | student's nonenrollment in school. If the notice and  
26 | requirement are ignored, the designated school representative  
27 | shall report the case to the district school superintendent,  
28 | and may refer the case to the case staffing committee,  
29 | established pursuant to s. 984.12. The district school  
30 | superintendent shall take such steps as are necessary to bring  
31 | criminal prosecution against the parent.

1           (b) Subsequent to the activities required under  
2 subsection (1), the district school superintendent or his or  
3 her designee shall give written notice in person or by  
4 return-receipt mail to the parent that criminal prosecution is  
5 being sought for nonattendance. The district school  
6 superintendent may file a truancy petition, as defined in s.  
7 984.03, following the procedures outlined in s. 984.151.

8           (3) RETURN STUDENT TO PARENT.--A designated school  
9 representative may ~~shall~~ visit the home or place of residence  
10 of a student and any other place in which he or she is likely  
11 to find any student who is required to attend school when the  
12 student is not enrolled or is absent from school during school  
13 hours without an excuse, and, when the student is found, shall  
14 return the student to his or her parent or to the principal or  
15 teacher in charge of the school, or to the private tutor from  
16 whom absent, or to the juvenile assessment center or other  
17 location established by the district school board to receive  
18 students who are absent from school. Upon receipt of the  
19 student, the parent shall be immediately notified.

20           (4) REPORT TO APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY.--A designated  
21 school representative shall report to the appropriate  
22 authority designated by law to receive such notices, all  
23 violations of the Child Labor Law that may come to his or her  
24 knowledge.

25           (5) RIGHT TO INSPECT.--A designated school  
26 representative shall have the right of access to, and  
27 inspection of, establishments where minors may be employed or  
28 detained only for the purpose of ascertaining whether students  
29 of compulsory school age are actually employed there and are  
30 actually working there regularly. The designated school  
31 representative shall, if he or she finds unsatisfactory

1 working conditions or violations of the Child Labor Law,  
2 report his or her findings to the appropriate authority.

3 Section 6. Section 1013.501, Florida Statutes, is  
4 transferred, renumbered, as section 1013.721, Florida  
5 Statutes, and amended to read:

6 1013.721 ~~1013.501~~ A Business-Community (ABC) School  
7 ~~Florida Business and Education in School Together (Florida~~  
8 ~~BEST) Program.--~~

9 (1) In order to increase business partnerships in  
10 education, to reduce school and classroom overcrowding  
11 throughout the state, and to offset the high costs of  
12 educational facilities construction, and to use due diligence  
13 and sound business practices in using available educational  
14 space, the Legislature intends to encourage the formation of  
15 partnerships between business and education by creating A  
16 Business-Community (ABC) School ~~the Florida Business and~~  
17 ~~Education in School Together (Florida BEST) Program.~~

18 (2) "A Business-Community (ABC) School" means a public  
19 school that offers instruction to students from kindergarten  
20 through third grade. The school may offer instruction in any  
21 single grade level or for multiple grade levels. ABC schools  
22 shall comply with the constitutional class size requirements.

23 (3)~~(2)~~ Each school board shall, through advertisements  
24 in local media and other means, request proposals from area  
25 businesses to allow the operation of a business and education  
26 partnership school in facilities owned or operated by the  
27 business. The Department of Education shall require each  
28 school board to submit documentation to the department which  
29 demonstrates the board's compliance with this advertisement  
30 requirement. Each school board shall designate a school  
31 district employee as the district's ABC program liaison and

1 shall provide the name and contact information of the liaison  
2 to the department by September 1 of each year.

3 ~~(4)(3)~~ Each school district shall establish an ABC a  
4 ~~Florida BEST~~ school evaluation committee.

5 (a) The committee shall be appointed by the school  
6 board and be composed of one school district administrator, at  
7 least one member of the business community, and at least one  
8 member of a local chamber of commerce. The school board shall  
9 provide the department with the names and contact information  
10 for each member of the committee and notify the department  
11 upon any change in membership or contact information.

12 (b) The committee shall meet at least quarterly and  
13 shall provide an annual report to the school board and the  
14 superintendent regarding its activities during the preceding  
15 school year.

16 (c) The committee's responsibilities shall include,  
17 but need not be limited to:

18 1. Creating and implementing a strategic marketing  
19 plan to inform businesses about the benefits of the ABC school  
20 program.

21 2. Providing technical assistance to businesses  
22 seeking to implement an ABC school.

23 3. Informing the public of the benefits of business  
24 and education partnerships.

25 4. Obtaining feedback from potential business partners  
26 on how the ABC program could be improved.

27 5. Identifying local barriers that preclude this  
28 program from operating.

29 6. Developing proposal evaluation criteria and  
30 processes.

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1           7. Sharing information on effective ABC school  
2 programs with the department and local communities.

3           ~~(d)(b)~~ The committee shall evaluate the feasibility of  
4 each proposal, including the operating cost, number of  
5 students to be served, proposed student-to-teacher ratio,  
6 proposed number of years the satellite school would operate,  
7 and any other operational or facilities considerations the  
8 school board or committee deems appropriate.

9           ~~(e)(c)~~ The committee shall recommend to the school  
10 board those proposals for satellite schools which the  
11 committee deems viable and worthy of being established. The  
12 school board must take official action on the recommendation  
13 of the committee within 60 days after receipt of the  
14 recommendation.

15           ~~(4) A "Florida Business and Education in School~~  
16 ~~Together (Florida BEST) school" is defined as a public school~~  
17 ~~offering instruction to students from kindergarten through~~  
18 ~~third grade. The school may offer instruction in any single~~  
19 ~~grade level or for multiple grade levels. Florida BEST schools~~  
20 ~~shall comply with the constitutional class size requirements.~~

21           (5)(a) First priority for admission of students to an  
22 ABC ~~the Florida BEST~~ school shall be given to the children of  
23 owners and employees of the host business. If additional  
24 student capacity remains after those children are admitted,  
25 the host business may designate ~~choose which~~ other neighboring  
26 businesses whose owners or employees may also participate to  
27 generate a viable number of students for the school. The  
28 school board shall make the necessary arrangements to  
29 accommodate students from other school districts whose parents  
30 are associated with the host business or business partners.  
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1 (b) Parents shall be responsible for providing  
2 transportation to and from school for the students.

3 ~~(6)(5)~~ A school district and a host business may enter  
4 into a multiyear contract for operation of an ABC ~~the Florida~~  
5 ~~BEST~~ school ~~may be entered into between the school district~~  
6 ~~and the host business~~. The contract must at least include  
7 provisions relating to any cost of facilities modifications,  
8 provide for the assignment or waiver of appropriate insurance  
9 costs, specify the number of students expected to be served,  
10 provide grounds for canceling the lease, and specify the  
11 advance notice required before the school may be closed.

12 (a) The school board shall be responsible for  
13 providing the appropriate instructional, support, and  
14 administrative staff and textbooks, materials, and supplies.  
15 The school district may also agree to operate or contract for  
16 the operation of a before-school and after-school program  
17 using the donated facilities.

18 (b) The host business shall provide the appropriate  
19 types of space for operating the school. If special  
20 facilities, such as restrooms or dining, recreational, or  
21 other areas are required, the district may contribute a part  
22 of the cost of the construction, remodeling, or renovation for  
23 such facilities from capital outlay funds of the district. A  
24 multiyear lease for operation of the facility must be agreed  
25 to if the school district contributes to the cost of such  
26 construction.

27 Section 7. Section 1013.502, Florida Statutes, is  
28 amended to read:

29 1013.502 A Business-Community (ABC) ~~Florida BEST~~  
30 school facilities; standards.--Notwithstanding any local  
31 government ordinance or regulation, any business or

1 corporation may expand the square footage or floor area of its  
2 current or proposed facility to accommodate an ABC ~~a Florida~~  
3 ~~Business and Education in School Together (Florida BEST)~~  
4 ~~School, as described under s. 1013.721.~~ Facilities constructed  
5 to house an ABC ~~a Florida BEST~~ school must comply with the  
6 State Uniform Building Code for Public Educational Facilities  
7 Construction adopted pursuant to s. 1013.37 and must meet  
8 state and local health, environmental, and safety laws and  
9 codes.

10           Section 8. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006.

1                   STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN  
2                                   COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
3                                   CS for Senate Bill 772

4 The committee substitute provides for the following:

5 Clarifies that the method of determining district school  
6 superintendents' compensation established in s. 1001.47, F.S.,  
applies to elected superintendents only.

7 Authorizes district school superintendents who are appointed  
8 by district school boards to participate in the professional  
9 education provided under s. 1001.47(4), F.S., and the  
leadership development and performance compensation program  
under s. 1001.47(5), F.S.

10 Provides that school districts will pay special qualification  
11 salary for elected superintendents and the Department of  
Education will pay the performance salary incentive.

12 Requires a 16-year old student who has not graduated to stay  
13 in school until a declaration of intent is filed with the  
district school board.

14 Requires a student to complete an exit interview and a survey  
15 if the student intends to terminate school enrollment.

16 Requires a student's guidance counselor to conduct the exit  
17 interview and inform the student of other educational  
opportunities.

18 Revises the interventions that the child study team must use  
19 following a meeting with the student's parent and allows the  
child study team to implement other interventions.

20 Allows rather than require a designated school representative  
21 to visit a student's residence or other place the student may  
be found when the student is not enrolled in school or has an  
unexcused absence.

22 Changes the name of the Florida Business and Education in  
23 School Together (Florida Best) Program to A Business-Community  
(ABC) School Program, which provides for partnerships between  
24 business and education, and adds additional responsibilities  
to the evaluation committees and school districts.

25 The committee substitute eliminates provisions from the bill  
26 that:

27 Allow district school boards to increase the age of compulsory  
school attendance from 16 to 18 years of age;

28 Require attendance records to include student tardiness  
29 information;

30 Remove the exemption for parental responsibility for  
31 nonattendance or tardiness when the parent alleges a lack of  
knowledge of the nonattendance or tardiness; and

Authorize the district school superintendent to file a truancy

1 | petition under certain circumstances.  
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