

By the Committee on Education Pre-K - 12; and Senators Wise and King

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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to public school educator
 3 certification; creating s. 1012.587, F.S.;
 4 specifying inservice requirements for educators
 5 who provide English for Speakers of Other
 6 Languages instruction; providing an effective
 7 date.

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

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11 Section 1. Section 1012.587, Florida Statutes, is
12 created to read:

13 1012.587 Inservice requirements for English for
 14 Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) educators.--To ensure the
 15 most conducive learning environment and the use of appropriate
 16 teaching strategies for students with limited English
 17 proficiency, inservice requirements for educators who provide
 18 English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) instruction
 19 shall be as follows:

20 (1) For the primary English instructor (Basic ESOL)
 21 who is an English/Language Arts teacher, 300 inservice hours
 22 or the equivalent.

23 (2) For an instructor teaching the basic subject areas
 24 of reading, mathematics, science, social studies or computer
 25 literacy, 60 inservice hours or the equivalent.

26 (3) For an instructor teaching other subject areas
 27 other than basic ESOL or basic subject areas 18 inservice
 28 hours or the equivalent.

29 (4) For a school administrator or guidance counselor,
 30 60 inservice hours or the equivalent.

31 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.

1 STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN
2 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
3 Senate Bill 2512

4 The committee substitute clarifies the types of instructors
5 who are subject to inservice requirements. The committee
6 substitute provides the following requirements:

7 -300 inservice hours or the equivalent for the primary English
8 instructor (Basic ESOL) who is an English/Language Arts
9 teacher;

10 -60 inservice hours or the equivalent for an instructor
11 teaching the basic subject areas of reading, mathematics,
12 science, social studies or computer literacy; and

13 -18 inservice hours or the equivalent for an instructor
14 teaching other subject areas other than basic ESOL or basic
15 subject areas.

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