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1                                   A bill to be entitled

2           An act relating to coordination of education

3           programs; creating the Florida P-20 Public

4           Education Advisory Council; providing

5           membership requirements for the council;

6           authorizing the council to elect a chair from

7           the membership; providing for a quorum;

8           providing duties of the council; requiring the

9           council to comply with public-meetings and

10          public-records requirements; requiring

11          financial disclosure; providing for

12          reimbursement for travel and per diem expenses;

13          providing for future repeal of the council;

14          providing an effective date.

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

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18           Section 1. The Florida P-20 Public Education Advisory

19 Council.--

20           (1) The Florida P-20 Public Education Advisory Council

21 is created for the purpose of advising the State Board of

22 Education, the Florida Board of Governors, the Agency for

23 Workforce Innovation, the Department of Education, the

24 Governor, and the Legislature concerning coordination of

25 programs and collaboration among institutions in Florida's

26 education system from voluntary prekindergarten through

27 graduate education. The council shall examine education data

28 concerning student outcomes and student needs for education

29 and shall recommend improvements to the public education

30 system which will better enable the system to support the

31 economic development of the state.

1           (2) The Florida P-20 Public Education Advisory Council  
2 shall consist of 15 members to be appointed as follows:

3           (a) The Governor shall appoint one member who is a  
4 state university president; one member who is a provider of  
5 the voluntary prekindergarten program; one member from a  
6 business that employs university graduates; one public school  
7 teacher; and one member from an organization that works to  
8 attract businesses to Florida.

9           (b) The President of the Senate shall appoint one  
10 member who is the president of a community college; one member  
11 from a business that employs community college graduates; one  
12 member from a public agency that employs high school  
13 graduates, community college graduates, and university  
14 graduates; one owner of a small business; and one member who  
15 teaches remedial courses at a community college.

16           (c) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall  
17 appoint one member who is a district school superintendent;  
18 one member who is a high school principal; one member from a  
19 business that primarily employs high school graduates; one  
20 member who teaches elementary school; and one member from a  
21 business that employs graduates of career education programs.

22           (3) The council shall elect a chair from among its  
23 membership. Eight members of the committee constitute a  
24 quorum. Business may not be transacted at any meeting unless a  
25 quorum is present.

26           (4) The council shall assess the current status of the  
27 P-20 education system in light of the workforce needed to  
28 attract businesses to Florida. The council shall report to the  
29 Governor and the Legislature annually by January 1 with  
30 recommendations for improving the P-20 education system.  
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1       (5) The council is subject to the public-meetings and  
2 public-records requirements of s. 24, Art. I of the State  
3 Constitution, chapter 119, Florida Statutes, and s. 286.011,  
4 Florida Statutes.

5       (6) Members of the council are subject to the  
6 financial-disclosure requirements of s. 112.3144, Florida  
7 Statutes.

8       (7) Members of the council shall serve without  
9 compensation but are entitled to reimbursement for travel and  
10 per diem expenses in accordance with s. 112.061, Florida  
11 Statutes.

12       (8) The council is abolished on July 1, 2011.

13       Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
14 law.

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17                   SENATE SUMMARY

18       Creates the Florida P-20 Public Education Advisory  
19       Council. Provides membership requirements for the  
20       council. Authorizes the council to elect a chair from the  
21       membership. Provides for a quorum. Provides duties of the  
22       council. Requires the council to comply with  
23       public-meetings and public-records requirements. Requires  
24       financial disclosure. Provides for reimbursement for  
25       travel and per diem expenses. Provides for repeal of the  
26       council.