

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Florida Teachers Lead Program
 3 Stipend; amending s. 1012.71, F.S.; extending the stipend
 4 to teachers of prekindergarten students; providing an
 5 effective date.

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

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 9 Section 1. Subsections (1) and (6) of section 1012.71,
 10 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

11 1012.71 The Florida Teachers Lead Program Stipend.--

12 (1) Funding for the Florida Teachers Lead Program Stipend
 13 shall be as determined by the Legislature in the General
 14 Appropriations Act. Funds appropriated for the Florida Teachers
 15 Lead Program Stipend are provided to purchase classroom
 16 materials and supplies used in the instruction of students in
 17 prekindergarten ~~kindergarten~~ through grade 12 of the public
 18 school system. From the funds appropriated, the Commissioner of
 19 Education shall calculate an amount for each school district by
 20 prorating the total of each school district's share of the total
 21 ~~K-12~~ unweighted FTE student enrollment in prekindergarten
 22 through grade 12.

23 (6) For purposes of this section, the term "classroom
 24 teacher" includes certified teachers employed on or before
 25 September 1 of each year whose full-time job responsibility is
 26 the classroom instruction of students in prekindergarten
 27 ~~kindergarten~~ through grade 12, and full-time media specialists
 28 and guidance counselors who serve students in prekindergarten

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29 | ~~kindergarten~~ through grade 12. Only school district personnel
30 | employed in these positions are eligible for the classroom
31 | materials and supply stipend from funds appropriated to
32 | implement the provisions of this section.

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