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Senate House

Representative(s) Flores offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove line(s) 1992-1994 and insert:

Section 38. The Department of Education shall implement and manage the Innovative Teaching for the 21st Century (IT-21) Program as an integrated, statewide system to deliver technology solutions to teachers. The department shall:

- (1) Implement the program to provide education technology solutions, including applicable services for eligible teacher participants.
- (2) Define the policies and procedures to improve teacher technology proficiency and ensure maximum teacher utilization of available education technology solutions, including applicable services.

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- (3) Determine the school district or districts and/or intradistrict or multidistrict programmatic segments in which the IT-21 Program will be established based on criteria developed by the department.
- 4) Determine eligible education technology solutions and applicable services. Options may include notebook computers, digital projectors, interactive whiteboards, other peripheral equipment, instructional devices, and protective cases. Services shall include delivery, installation, technical support, and maintenance and shall also include appropriate professional development for teachers and administrators. Eligible computers must contain appropriate hardware and software for improving instruction and may provide efficient operations for Sunshine Connections. Products purchased shall employ a solution for data protection and asset recovery.
- (5) Conduct competitive procurement for all eligible education technology solutions and applicable services.

 Contracts resulting from the competitive procurement process shall delineate the timeframe for the delivery of goods and services to the eligible districts. Contracts may include district-specific or programmatic-specific specifications. The department may enter into multiple contracts for the delivery of goods and services to enable teachers to choose the solution and providers that best meets their needs.
- (6) Establish appropriate reporting regarding the delivery, asset management, services, and customer satisfaction.
- (7) Ensure that contracts will include development of an online marketplace and information exchange for districts to 110861

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- select, procure, and receive direct delivery of districtapproved technology products and services and for districts to receive required information regarding district purchases.
- (8) Develop a long-term plan to ensure the financial accountability of the program and report to the Legislature quarterly on program implementation.
- Section 39. (1) The sum of \$2,525,000 is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Education for the 2007-2008 fiscal year for purposes of implementing sections 1 through 37 of this act.
- (2) The sum of \$5,000,000 is appropriated from the General Revenue Fund to the Department of Education for the 2007-2008 fiscal year for the purposes of implementing section 38 of this act, the Innovative Teaching for the 21st Century Program.

===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ======

Remove line(s) 102 and insert: task force; requiring the Department of Education to implement and manage the Innovative Teaching for the 21st Century Program; providing program requirements and department responsibilities; providing appropriations; providing