

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to secondary education; amending s.
 3 1008.38, F.S.; revising certain requirements of the
 4 articulation accountability process established by the
 5 State Board of Education; requiring the State Board of
 6 Education to establish a process for reviewing newly
 7 proposed secondary courses; requiring the board of
 8 directors of Workforce Florida, Inc., to approve a
 9 curriculum review committee; providing for membership of
 10 the committee; providing requirements for the review of
 11 proposed courses; requiring that an approved course be
 12 included for funding the following academic year;
 13 requiring the State Board of Education to establish an
 14 appeals process if approval of a course is denied;
 15 providing an effective date.

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

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 19 Section 1. Section 1008.38, Florida Statutes, is amended
 20 to read:

21 1008.38 Articulation accountability process.--

22 (1) The State Board of Education shall develop
 23 articulation accountability measures which assess the status of
 24 systemwide articulation processes authorized under s. 1007.23.
 25 The State Board of Education shall establish an articulation
 26 accountability process which at a minimum shall address:

27 (a) ~~(1)~~ The impact of articulation processes on ensuring
 28 educational continuity and the orderly and unobstructed

29 transition of students between public secondary and
30 postsecondary education systems and facilitating the transition
31 of students between the public and private sectors.

32 (b) ~~(2)~~ The adequacy of preparation of public secondary
33 students to smoothly articulate to a ~~public~~ postsecondary
34 education, the workplace, or both institution.

35 (c) ~~(3)~~ The effectiveness of articulated acceleration
36 mechanisms available to secondary students.

37 (d) ~~(4)~~ The smooth transfer of community college associate
38 in arts degree graduates to a state university.

39 (e) ~~(5)~~ An examination of degree requirements that exceed
40 the parameters of 60 credit hours for an associate degree and
41 120 hours for a baccalaureate degree in public postsecondary
42 programs.

43 (f) ~~(6)~~ The relationship between the College Level Academic
44 Skills Test Program and articulation to the upper division in
45 public postsecondary institutions.

46 (2) The State Board of Education shall establish a process
47 for continual and uninterrupted review of newly proposed
48 secondary courses to ensure sufficient rigor and relevance to
49 workforce and postsecondary education and alignment to state
50 curriculum standards.

51 (a) The review of newly proposed secondary courses shall
52 be the responsibility of a curriculum review committee whose
53 membership is approved by the board of directors of Workforce
54 Florida, Inc., as described in s. 445.004, and includes:

55 1. Three certified high school guidance counselors
56 recommended by the Florida Association of Student Services

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57 Administrators.

58 2. Three associate superintendents for curriculum and
59 instruction recommended by the Florida Association of District
60 School Superintendents.

61 3. Three workforce representatives recommended by the
62 Agency for Workforce Innovation.

63 4. Three admissions directors of postsecondary
64 institutions accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges
65 and Schools, representing both public and private institutions.

66 5. The Deputy Commissioner of Education responsible for
67 curriculum and instruction.

68 (b) The submission and review of newly proposed courses
69 shall be conducted electronically and each proposed course shall
70 be approved or denied within 60 days. All approved courses shall
71 be approved as core courses for high school graduation purposes
72 and shall be immediately added to the Course Code Directory and
73 eligible for funding through the FEFP the following fiscal year.
74 Approved courses shall also be reviewed and considered for
75 approval for dual enrollment credit. The Board of Governors and
76 the Commissioner of Education shall recommend an annual deadline
77 for approval of new courses to be included for FEFP funding,
78 postsecondary admissions, and dual enrollment credit the
79 following academic year. The State Board of Education shall
80 establish an appeals process that requires a ruling by the
81 Chancellor for Community Colleges and Workforce Education within
82 15 days.

83 (c) The curriculum review committee must be established
84 and operational no later than September 1, 2007.

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