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1 Senators Wise, King, and Hill moved the following **amendment:**

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3 **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Between line(s) 1330 and 1331,  
5 insert:

6 Section 24. Paragraphs (f) and (g) of subsection (1) of  
7 section 1012.985, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

8 1012.985 Statewide system for inservice professional  
9 development.--

10 (1) The intent of this section is to establish a statewide  
11 system of professional development that provides a wide range of  
12 targeted inservice training to teachers, managers, and  
13 administrative personnel designed to upgrade skills and knowledge  
14 needed to reach world class standards in education. The system  
15 shall consist of a network of professional development academies  
16 in each region of the state which are operated in partnership  
17 with area business partners to develop and deliver high-quality



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18 training programs purchased by school districts. The academies  
19 shall be established to meet the human resource development needs  
20 of professional educators, schools, and school districts. Funds  
21 appropriated for the initiation of professional development  
22 academies shall be allocated by the Commissioner of Education,  
23 unless otherwise provided in an appropriations act. To be  
24 eligible for startup funds, the academy must:

25 (f) Be financed during the first year of operation by an  
26 equal or greater match from private funding sources ~~and~~  
27 ~~demonstrate the ability to be self-supporting within 1 year after~~  
28 ~~opening through fees for services, grants, or private~~  
29 ~~contributions.~~ Thereafter, the academy shall operate through  
30 contracts with one or more school districts and through grants,  
31 private contributions, or other business arrangements consistent  
32 with the mission of the academy. Regional educational consortia  
33 as defined in s. 1001.451 which serve rural areas of critical  
34 economic concern are exempt from the funding match required by  
35 this paragraph.

36 (g) Own or lease a facility that can be used to deliver  
37 training onsite and through distance learning and other  
38 technology-based delivery systems, and have entered into such  
39 partnerships or agreements as necessary to carry out the intent  
40 of this paragraph. The participating district school boards may  
41 lease a site or facility to the academy for a nominal fee and may  
42 pay all or part of the costs of renovating a facility to  
43 accommodate the academy. ~~The academy is responsible for all~~  
44 ~~operational, maintenance, and repair costs.~~

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

47 And the title is amended as follows:



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48 |           On line(s) 115, after the first semicolon,  
49 | insert:  
50 |           amending s. 1012.985, F.S.; revising the requirements for  
51 |           receiving startup funds to participate in providing  
52 |           inservice training to professional educators;