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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to public secondary schools; creating s. 1003.451, F.S.; prohibiting any school district or public secondary school from prohibiting ROTC units on campus, preventing a student from enrolling in an ROTC unit at another educational institution, or preventing military recruiters from having certain access to students; providing for enforcement; providing for the adoption of rules by the State Board of Education; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 1003.451, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

1003.451 Prohibiting school districts or schools from preventing ROTC access to campus; providing for enforcement by the State Board of Education.--

 (1) A school district or public secondary school may not have a policy or practice that prohibits or in effect prevents:

(a) The maintaining, establishing, or operation of a unit of the Reserve Officer Training Corps of any branch of the United States Armed Forces at the school;

(b) A student at the school from enrolling in a unit of the Reserve Officer Training Corps at another educational institution; or

(c) Military recruiters from having the same access to the school's students as is provided by the school to postsecondary

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(2) The State Board of Education shall enforce this section pursuant to s. 1008.32.

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- (3) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules to administer this section.
  - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.