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CHAMBER ACTION

<u>Senate</u>	.	<u>House</u>
Comm: RCS	.	
3/19/2008	.	
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1 The Committee on Education Pre-K - 12 (Diaz de la Portilla)  
 2 recommended the following **amendment**:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

5 Delete everything after the enacting clause  
6 and insert:

7 Section 1. Section 1003.455, Florida Statutes, is amended  
8 to read:

9 1003.455 Physical education; assessment.--

10 (1) It is the responsibility of each district school board  
 11 to develop a physical education program that stresses physical  
 12 fitness and encourages healthful, active lifestyles and to  
 13 encourage all students in prekindergarten through grade 12 to  
 14 participate in physical education. Physical education shall  
 15 consist of physical activities of at least a moderate intensity  
 16 level and for a duration sufficient to provide a significant  
 17 health benefit to students, subject to the differing capabilities



18 of students. All physical education programs and curricula must  
19 be reviewed by a certified physical education instructor.

20 (2) Each district school board shall adopt a written  
21 physical education policy that details the school district's  
22 physical education program, and the expected program outcomes,  
23 the benefits of physical education, and the availability of one-  
24 on-one counseling concerning the benefits of physical education.

25 (3) Each district school board shall provide 150 minutes of  
26 physical education each week for students in kindergarten through  
27 grade 5 and for students in grade 6 who are enrolled in a school  
28 that contains one or more elementary grades so that on any day  
29 during which physical education instruction is conducted there  
30 are at least 30 consecutive minutes per day. The equivalent of  
31 one class period per day of physical education for one semester  
32 of each year is required for students enrolled in grades 6  
33 through 8. Students enrolled in such instruction shall be  
34 reported through the periodic student membership surveys, and  
35 records of such enrollment shall be audited pursuant to s.  
36 1010.305. Such instruction may be provided by any instructional  
37 personnel as defined in s. 1012.01(2), regardless of  
38 certification, who are designated by the school principal. ~~Each~~  
39 ~~district school board is encouraged to provide 225 minutes of~~  
40 ~~physical education each week for students in grades 6 through 8.~~

41 (4) The requirement in subsection (3) shall be waived for a  
42 student who meets one of the following criteria:

43 (a) The student is enrolled or required to enroll in a  
44 remedial course.

45 (b) The student's parent indicates in writing to the school  
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47 | 1. The parent requests that the student enroll in another  
48 | course from among those courses offered as options by the school  
49 | district; or

50 | 2. The student is participating in physical activities  
51 | outside the school day which are equal to or in excess of the  
52 | mandated requirement.

53 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.

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

57 | And the title is amended as follows:

58 | Delete everything before the enacting clause  
59 | and insert:

60 | A bill to be entitled  
61 | An act relating to physical education; amending s.  
62 | 1003.455, F.S.; requiring physical education in grades 6  
63 | through 8; providing for waivers under certain  
64 | circumstances; providing an effective date.