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1 Senator Wise moved the following amendment to amendment (510960):

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3 Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

4 Between line(s) 1283 and 1284,

5 insert:

6 Section 28. 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) 1429, after the firs 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;