

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to public K-12 educational instruction;
 3 amending s. 1003.46, F.S., relating to health education;
 4 deleting provisions that require schools to teach
 5 abstinence from sexual activity outside of marriage as the
 6 expected standard for all school-age students as part of
 7 instruction in human sexuality; providing an effective
 8 date.

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

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 12 Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 1003.46, Florida
 13 Statutes, is amended to read:

14 1003.46 Health education; instruction in acquired immune
 15 deficiency syndrome.--

16 (2) Throughout instruction in acquired immune deficiency
 17 syndrome, sexually transmitted diseases, or health education,
 18 when such instruction and course material contains instruction
 19 in human sexuality, a school shall:

20 ~~(a) Teach abstinence from sexual activity outside of~~
 21 ~~marriage as the expected standard for all school-age students~~
 22 ~~while teaching the benefits of monogamous heterosexual marriage.~~

23 (a) ~~(b)~~ Emphasize that abstinence from sexual activity is a
 24 certain way to avoid out-of-wedlock pregnancy, sexually
 25 transmitted diseases, including acquired immune deficiency
 26 syndrome, and other associated health problems.

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27 | (b)~~(e)~~ Teach that each student has the power to control
28 | personal behavior and encourage students to base actions on
29 | reasoning, self-esteem, and respect for others.

30 | (c)~~(d)~~ Provide instruction and material that is
31 | appropriate for the grade and age of the student.

32 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.