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A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to school districts; amending s. 3 1001.42, F.S.; deleting provisions that require each 4 district school board to reduce paperwork and data 5 collection and report its findings and potential 6 solutions on reducing burdens associated with such 7 collection; amending s. 1008.31, F.S.; requiring that 8 the Commissioner of Education monitor and review the 9 collection of paperwork, data, and reports by school 10 districts; requiring that the commissioner complete an 11 annual review of such collection by a specified date each year; requiring that the commissioner prepare a 12 13 report, by a specified date each year, assisting the school districts with eliminating or consolidating 14 15 paperwork, data, and reports by providing suggestions, 16 technical assistance, and guidance; providing an 17 effective date.

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

21 Section 1. Subsections (24), (25), and (26) of section 22 1001.42, Florida Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 23 2009-3, Laws of Florida, are amended to read:

24 1001.42 Powers and duties of district school board.—The 25 district school board, acting as a board, shall exercise all 26 powers and perform all duties listed below:

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(24) REDUCE PAPERWORK AND DATA COLLECTION AND REPORTING

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28	REQUIREMENTSBeginning with the 2006-2007 school year:
29	(a) Each district school board shall designate a classroom
30	teacher to serve as the teacher representative to speak on
31	behalf of the district's teachers regarding paperwork and data
32	collection reduction.
33	(b) Each district school board must provide the school
34	community with an efficient method for the school community to
35	communicate with the classroom teacher designee regarding
36	possible paperwork and data collection burdens and potential
37	solutions.
38	(c) The teacher designee shall annually report his or her
39	findings and potential solutions to the school board.
40	(d) Each district school board must submit its findings and
41	potential solutions to the State Board of Education by September
42	1 of each year.
43	(e) The State Board of Education shall prepare a report of
44	the statewide paperwork and data collection findings and
45	potential solutions and submit the report to the Governor, the
46	President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of
47	Representatives by October 1 of each year.
48	(24) (25) EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS.—On or after February 1,
49	2009, a district school board may not enter into an employment
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	contract that is funded from state funds and that requires the
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52	district to pay an employee an amount in excess of 1 year of the employee's annual salary for termination, buy-out, or any other type of contract settlement.
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52 53 54	district to pay an employee an amount in excess of 1 year of the employee's annual salary for termination, buy-out, or any other type of contract settlement. (25)(26) ADOPT RULES.—Adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement this section.

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57 section 1008.31, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph 58 (e), and new paragraphs (c) and (d) are added to that 59 subsection, to read:

1008.31 Florida's K-20 education performance accountability
system; legislative intent; mission, goals, and systemwide
measures; data quality improvements.-

63 (3) K-20 EDUCATION DATA QUALITY IMPROVEMENTS.-To provide data required to implement education performance accountability 64 65 measures in state and federal law, the Commissioner of Education 66 shall initiate and maintain strategies to improve data quality 67 and timeliness. All data collected from state universities 68 shall, as determined by the commissioner, be integrated into the K-20 data warehouse. The commissioner shall have unlimited 69 70 access to such data solely for the purposes of conducting studies, reporting annual and longitudinal student outcomes, and 71 improving college readiness and articulation. All public 72 73 educational institutions shall provide data to the K-20 data 74 warehouse in a format specified by the commissioner.

(c) The commissioner shall continuously monitor and review the collection of paperwork, data, and reports by school districts and complete an annual review of such collection no later than June 1 of each year. The annual review must include recommendations for consolidating paperwork, data, and reports, wherever feasible, in order to reduce the burdens on school districts.

82 (d) By July 1 of each year, the commissioner shall prepare 83 a report assisting the school districts in eliminating or 84 consolidating paperwork, data, and reports by providing 85 suggestions, technical assistance, and guidance.

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Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.