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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the code of student conduct; amending
3 s. 1006.07, F.S.; requiring the district school board to
4 include in the code of student conduct adopted by the
5 board an explanation of the responsibilities of each
6 student with regard to appropriate dress and respect for
7 self and others, and the role that appropriate dress and
8 respect for self and others has on an orderly learning
9 environment; requiring each district school board to adopt
10 a dress code policy that prohibits a student, while on the
11 grounds of a public school during the regular school day,
12 from wearing clothing that exposes underwear or body parts
13 in an indecent or vulgar manner or that disrupts the
14 orderly learning environment; providing disciplinary
15 actions for students who violate the dress code; amending
16 s. 1006.15, F.S.; providing that adherence to appropriate
17 dress and other codes of student conduct is a prerequisite
18 for a student to be eligible to participate in
19 interscholastic extracurricular student activities;
20 reenacting s. 1002.23(7), F.S., relating to a parent guide
21 to successful student achievement to be adopted by each
22 school district board, to incorporate the amendment made
23 to s. 1006.07, F.S., in a reference thereto; providing an
24 effective date.

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

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28 Section 1. Present paragraphs (d) through (l) of

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29 subsection (2) of section 1006.07, Florida Statutes, are
30 redesignated as paragraphs (e) through (m), respectively, and a
31 new paragraph (d) is added to that subsection to read:

32 1006.07 District school board duties relating to student
33 discipline and school safety.—The district school board shall
34 provide for the proper accounting for all students, for the
35 attendance and control of students at school, and for proper
36 attention to health, safety, and other matters relating to the
37 welfare of students, including:

38 (2) CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT.—Adopt a code of student
39 conduct for elementary schools and a code of student conduct for
40 middle and high schools and distribute the appropriate code to
41 all teachers, school personnel, students, and parents, at the
42 beginning of every school year. Each code shall be organized and
43 written in language that is understandable to students and
44 parents and shall be discussed at the beginning of every school
45 year in student classes, school advisory council meetings, and
46 parent and teacher association or organization meetings. Each
47 code shall be based on the rules governing student conduct and
48 discipline adopted by the district school board and shall be
49 made available in the student handbook or similar publication.
50 Each code shall include, but is not limited to:

51 (d)1. An explanation of the responsibilities of each
52 student with regard to appropriate dress, respect for self and
53 others, and the role that appropriate dress and respect for self
54 and others has on an orderly learning environment. Each district
55 school board shall adopt a dress code policy that prohibits a
56 student, while on the grounds of a public school during the

57 regular school day, from wearing clothing that exposes underwear
 58 or body parts in an indecent or vulgar manner or that disrupts
 59 the orderly learning environment.

60 2. Any student who violates the dress policy described in
 61 subparagraph 1. is subject to the following disciplinary
 62 actions:

63 a. For a first offense, a student will be given a verbal
 64 warning and the school principal shall call the student's parent
 65 or guardian.

66 b. For a second offense, the student will be ineligible to
 67 participate in any extracurricular activity for a period of time
 68 not to exceed 5 days and the school principal shall meet with
 69 the student's parent or guardian.

70 c. For a third offense or subsequent offense, a student
 71 will receive an in-school suspension pursuant to s.
 72 1003.01(5)(b) for a period of time not to exceed 3 days, the
 73 student will be ineligible to participate in any extracurricular
 74 activity for a period of time not to exceed 30 days, and the
 75 school principal shall call the student's parent or guardian and
 76 send the parent or guardian a written letter regarding the
 77 student's in-school suspension and ineligibility to participate
 78 in extracurricular activities.

79 Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section
 80 1006.15, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

81 1006.15 Student standards for participation in
 82 interscholastic and intrascholastic extracurricular student
 83 activities; regulation.—

84 (3)(a) To be eligible to participate in interscholastic

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85 extracurricular student activities, a student must:

86 1. Maintain a grade point average of 2.0 or above on a 4.0
87 scale, or its equivalent, in the previous semester or a
88 cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or above on a 4.0 scale,
89 or its equivalent, in the courses required by s. 1003.43(1).

90 2. Execute and fulfill the requirements of an academic
91 performance contract between the student, the district school
92 board, the appropriate governing association, and the student's
93 parents, if the student's cumulative grade point average falls
94 below 2.0, or its equivalent, on a 4.0 scale in the courses
95 required by s. 1003.43(1) or, for students who entered the 9th
96 grade prior to the 1997-1998 school year, if the student's
97 cumulative grade point average falls below 2.0 on a 4.0 scale,
98 or its equivalent, in the courses required by s. 1003.43(1)
99 which ~~that~~ are taken after July 1, 1997. At a minimum, the
100 contract must require that the student attend summer school, or
101 its graded equivalent, between grades 9 and 10 or grades 10 and
102 11, as necessary.

103 3. Have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or above
104 on a 4.0 scale, or its equivalent, in the courses required by s.
105 1003.43(1) during his or her junior or senior year.

106 4. Maintain satisfactory conduct, including adherence to
107 appropriate dress and other codes of student conduct policies
108 described in s. 1006.07(2). ~~and,~~ If a student is convicted of,
109 or is found to have committed, a felony or a delinquent act that
110 ~~which~~ would have been a felony if committed by an adult,
111 regardless of whether adjudication is withheld, the student's
112 participation in interscholastic extracurricular activities is

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113 contingent upon established and published district school board
114 policy.

115 Section 3. For the purpose of incorporating the amendment
116 made by this act to section 1006.07, Florida Statutes, in a
117 reference thereto, subsection (7) of section 1002.23, Florida
118 Statutes, is reenacted to read:

119 1002.23 Family and School Partnership for Student
120 Achievement Act.—

121 (7) Each school district shall develop and disseminate a
122 parent guide to successful student achievement, consistent with
123 the guidelines of the Department of Education, which addresses
124 what parents need to know about their child's educational
125 progress and how parents can help their child to succeed in
126 school. The guide must:

127 (a) Be understandable to students and parents;

128 (b) Be distributed to all parents, students, and school
129 personnel at the beginning of each school year;

130 (c) Be discussed at the beginning of each school year in
131 meetings of students, parents, and teachers;

132 (d) Include information concerning services,
133 opportunities, choices, academic standards, and student
134 assessment; and

135 (e) Provide information on the importance of student
136 health and available immunizations and vaccinations, including,
137 but not limited to:

138 1. A recommended immunization schedule in accordance with
139 United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
140 recommendations.

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141 2. Detailed information regarding the causes, symptoms,
142 and transmission of meningococcal disease and the availability,
143 effectiveness, known contraindications, and appropriate age for
144 the administration of any required or recommended vaccine
145 against meningococcal disease, in accordance with the
146 recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization
147 Practices of the United States Centers for Disease Control and
148 Prevention.

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150 The parent guide may be included as a part of the code of
151 student conduct that is required in s. 1006.07(2).

152 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.