

1                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to state-approved teacher preparation  
 3           programs; amending s. 1004.04, F.S.; specifying that the  
 4           State Board of Education adopt rules that require certain  
 5           students in state-approved teacher preparation programs to  
 6           assist teachers with low-performing students in reading as  
 7           part of certain field experiences; 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 1004.04, Florida  
 13   Statutes, is amended to read:

14           1004.04 Public accountability and state approval for  
 15   teacher preparation programs.—

16           (2) UNIFORM CORE CURRICULA.—

17           (a) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules  
 18   pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 that establish uniform  
 19   core curricula for each state-approved teacher preparation  
 20   program.

21           (b) The rules to establish uniform core curricula for each  
 22   state-approved teacher preparation program must include, but are  
 23   not limited to, a State Board of Education identified foundation  
 24   in scientifically researched, knowledge-based reading literacy  
 25   and computational skills acquisition; classroom management;  
 26   school safety; professional ethics; educational law; human  
 27   development and learning; and understanding of the Sunshine  
 28   State Standards content measured by state achievement tests,

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29 reading and interpretation of data, and use of data to improve  
30 student achievement.

31 (c) These rules must include the requirement that a  
32 student in a state-approved teacher preparation program, as part  
33 of a preservice field experience course, internship, or student  
34 teaching assignment at the elementary school level, assist  
35 teachers who are teaching low-performing students in reading in  
36 a public elementary school in the school district in which the  
37 program is located.

38 (d)(e) These rules shall not require an additional period  
39 of time-to-degree but may be phased in to enable teacher  
40 preparation programs to supplant courses, including pedagogy  
41 courses, not required by law or State Board of Education rule  
42 with the courses and assignments identified pursuant to  
43 paragraphs ~~paragraph~~ (b) and (c).

44 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.