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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to school district minimum classroom
3 expenditure requirements; repealing s. 1011.64, F.S.,
4 which provides for minimum academic performance
5 standards and increased classroom expenditure
6 requirements for school districts not meeting the
7 standards; amending ss. 1011.01, 1011.03, and 1011.60,
8 F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the
9 act; providing an effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Section 1011.64, Florida Statutes, is repealed.

14 Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section
15 1011.01, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

16 1011.01 Budget system established.—

17 (3) (a) Each district school board and each community
18 college board of trustees shall prepare, adopt, and submit to
19 the Commissioner of Education for review an annual operating
20 budget. Operating budgets shall be prepared and submitted in
21 accordance with the provisions of law, rules of the State Board
22 of Education, the General Appropriations Act, and for district
23 school boards in accordance with s. ~~the provisions of ss.~~
24 200.065 ~~and 1011.64.~~

25 Section 3. Section 1011.03, Florida Statutes, is amended to
26 read:

27 1011.03 Public hearings; budget to be submitted to
28 Department of Education.—

29 ~~(1)~~ Each district school board must cause a summary of its

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30 tentative budget, including the proposed millage levies as
31 provided for by law, to be posted online and advertised one time
32 in a newspaper of general circulation published in the district
33 or to be posted at the courthouse if there be no such newspaper.

34 ~~(2) The advertisement of a district that has been required~~
35 ~~by the Legislature to increase classroom expenditures pursuant~~
36 ~~to s. 1011.64 must include the following statement:~~

37 ~~"This proposed budget reflects an increase in classroom~~
38 ~~expenditures as a percent of total current operating~~
39 ~~expenditures of XX percent over the (previous fiscal year)~~
40 ~~fiscal year. This increase in classroom expenditures is required~~
41 ~~by the Legislature because the district has performed below the~~
42 ~~required performance standard on XX of XX student performance~~
43 ~~standards for the (previous school year) school year. In order~~
44 ~~to achieve the legislatively required level of classroom~~
45 ~~expenditures as a percentage of total operating expenditures,~~
46 ~~the proposed budget includes an increase in overall classroom~~
47 ~~expenditures of \$XX,XXX,XXX above the amount spent for this same~~
48 ~~purpose during the (previous fiscal year) fiscal year. In order~~
49 ~~to achieve improved student academic performance, this proposed~~
50 ~~increase is being budgeted for the following activities:~~
51 ~~...(list activities and amount budgeted)...."~~

52 ~~(3) The advertisement shall appear adjacent to the~~
53 ~~advertisement required pursuant to s. 200.065. The State Board~~
54 ~~of Education may adopt rules necessary to provide specific~~
55 ~~requirements for the format of the advertisement.~~

56 Section 4. Subsection (8) of section 1011.60, Florida
57 Statutes, is amended to read:

58 1011.60 Minimum requirements of the Florida Education

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59 Finance Program.—Each district which participates in the state
60 appropriations for the Florida Education Finance Program shall
61 provide evidence of its effort to maintain an adequate school
62 program throughout the district and shall meet at least the
63 following requirements:

64 ~~(8) MINIMUM CLASSROOM EXPENDITURE REQUIREMENTS.—Comply with~~
65 ~~the minimum classroom expenditure requirements and associated~~
66 ~~reporting pursuant to s. 1011.64.~~

67 Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.