

By the Committee on Higher Education; and Senators Lynn, Gaetz, Thrasher, and Wise

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to community colleges; amending s.
3 1000.21, F.S.; renaming Gulf Coast Community College
4 as "Gulf Coast State College"; renaming Pensacola
5 Junior College as "Pensacola State College"; renaming
6 St. Johns River Community College as "St. Johns River
7 State College"; renaming Valencia Community College as
8 "Valencia College"; amending ss. 288.8175, 1004.74,
9 and 1004.75, F.S., relating to linkage institutes, the
10 Florida School of the Arts, and the consolidation of
11 certain training schools; conforming provisions;
12 providing an effective date.

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

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16 Section 1. Paragraphs (i), (t), (v), and (bb) of subsection
17 (3) of section 1000.21, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
18 1000.21 Systemwide definitions.—As used in the Florida K-20
19 Education Code:

20 (3) "Florida college" or "community college," except as
21 otherwise specifically provided, includes all of the following
22 public postsecondary educational institutions in the Florida
23 College System and any branch campuses, centers, or other
24 affiliates of the institution:

25 (i) Gulf Coast State ~~Community~~ College, which serves Bay,
26 Franklin, and Gulf Counties.

27 (t) Pensacola State ~~Junior~~ College, which serves Escambia
28 and Santa Rosa Counties.

29 (v) St. Johns River State ~~Community~~ College, which serves

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30 Clay, Putnam, and St. Johns Counties.

31 (b) Valencia ~~Community~~ College, which serves Orange and
32 Osceola Counties.

33 Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (5) of section
34 288.8175, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

35 288.8175 Linkage institutes between postsecondary
36 institutions in this state and foreign countries.—

37 (5) The institutes are:

38 (b) Florida-Costa Rica Institute (Florida State University
39 and Valencia ~~Community~~ College).

40 Section 3. Subsection (3) of section 1004.74, Florida
41 Statutes, is amended to read:

42 1004.74 Florida School of the Arts.—

43 (3) The Florida School of the Arts is assigned to the
44 District Board of Trustees of the St. Johns River State
45 ~~Community~~ College for purposes of administration and governance;
46 but the Florida School of the Arts, within appropriations and
47 limitations established annually by the Legislature, shall serve
48 as a professional school on a statewide basis for all qualified
49 students.

50 Section 4. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
51 1004.75, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

52 1004.75 Training school consolidation pilot projects.—

53 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—To consolidate and more efficiently use
54 state and taxpayer resources by combining training programs,
55 pilot training centers are established to provide public
56 criminal justice training in Leon and St. Johns Counties. The
57 following pilot training centers are established:

58 (b) The Criminal Justice Academy at St. Johns River State

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59 ~~Community~~ College.

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