

By Senator Dean

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to background screening for
3 noninstructional contractors on school grounds;
4 amending s. 1012.467, F.S.; requiring the Department
5 of Education to approve a uniform, statewide
6 identification badge to be worn by noninstructional
7 contractors signifying that a contractor has met
8 specified background screening requirements; requiring
9 school districts to issue the identification badge to
10 a qualified contractor; providing that the
11 identification badge shall be recognized by all school
12 districts; requiring the department to determine the
13 cost to be borne by the contractor; providing an
14 effective date.

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

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18 Section 1. Subsection (8) is added to section 1012.467,
19 Florida Statutes, to read:

20 1012.467 Noninstructional contractors who are permitted
21 access to school grounds when students are present; background
22 screening requirements.—

23 (8) (a) The Department of Education shall approve a uniform,
24 statewide identification badge to be worn by noninstructional
25 contractors signifying that a contractor has met the
26 requirements of this section and the uniform, statewide level 2
27 screening requirements as described in s. 1012.32. The school
28 district shall issue an identification badge to the contractor,
29 which must bear a photograph of the contractor. An

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30 identification badge shall be issued if the contractor:

31 1. Is a resident and citizen of the United States or a
32 permanent resident alien of the United States as determined by
33 the United States Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration
34 Services;

35 2. Is 18 years of age or older; and

36 3. Meets the background screening standards under s.
37 435.04.

38 (b) The uniform, statewide identification badge shall be
39 recognized by all school districts and must be visible at all
40 times a noninstructional contractor is on school grounds.

41 (c) The Department of Education shall determine the cost to
42 a noninstructional contractor for receipt of the identification
43 badge which shall be borne by the recipient of the badge.

44 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2012.