

By the Committees on Budget Subcommittee on Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations; and Education Pre-K - 12; and Senator Dean

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1 A bill to be entitled  
2 An act relating to education; amending s. 1012.467,  
3 F.S.; requiring the Department of Education to create  
4 a uniform, statewide identification badge to be worn  
5 by noninstructional contractors signifying that a  
6 contractor has met specified requirements; requiring  
7 school districts to issue the identification badge to  
8 a qualified contractor; providing that the  
9 identification badge shall be recognized by all school  
10 districts; providing that the identification badge is  
11 valid for 5 years; establishing conditions for return  
12 of an identification badge; requiring the department  
13 to determine a uniform cost that a school district may  
14 charge a contractor for receipt of the identification  
15 badge, which shall be borne by the contractor;  
16 providing an exception for certain contractors;  
17 providing an effective date.

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19 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:  
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21 Section 1. Subsection (8) is added to section 1012.467,  
22 Florida Statutes, to read:

23 1012.467 Noninstructional contractors who are permitted  
24 access to school grounds when students are present; background  
25 screening requirements.—

26 (8) (a) The Department of Education shall create a uniform,  
27 statewide identification badge to be worn by noninstructional  
28 contractors signifying that a contractor has met the  
29 requirements of this section. The school district shall issue an

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30 identification badge to the contractor, which must bear a  
31 photograph of the contractor. An identification badge shall be  
32 issued if the contractor:

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

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

38 3. Meets the background screening requirements under this  
39 section.

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

43 (c) The identification badge shall be valid for a period of  
44 5 years. If a noninstructional contractor provides notification  
45 pursuant to subsection (6), the contractor shall, within 48  
46 hours, return the identification badge to the school district  
47 that issued the badge.

48 (d) The Department of Education shall determine a uniform  
49 cost that a school district may charge a noninstructional  
50 contractor for receipt of the identification badge, which shall  
51 be borne by the recipient of the badge.

52 (e) This subsection does not apply to noninstructional  
53 contractors who are exempt from background screening  
54 requirements pursuant to s. 1012.468.

55 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.