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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

House

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Representative Adkins offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 1001.372, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1001.372 District school board meetings.—

(1) REGULAR AND SPECIAL MEETINGS.—

(a) The district school board, after considering agenda items proposed by the district school superintendent or a member of the board, shall hold not less than one regular meeting each month for the transaction of business according to a schedule arranged by the district school board. The district school board shall convene at least one regular meeting each quarter within a school year which begins no earlier than 5 p.m. The district school board shall create written criteria for convening such a

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17 quarterly meeting.

18 (b) The district school board ~~and~~ shall convene in a
19 special meeting ~~sessions~~ when called by the district school
20 superintendent or by the district school superintendent on
21 request of the chair of the district school board, or on request
22 of a majority of the members of the district school board. If
23 the district school superintendent does not call a special
24 meeting when requested to do so, as prescribed in this
25 paragraph, such a meeting may be called by the chair of the
26 district school board or by a majority of the members of the
27 district school board by giving 2 days' written notice of the
28 time and purpose of the meeting to all members and to the
29 district school superintendent. An action; ~~provided that actions~~
30 taken at a special meeting ~~has meetings~~ shall have the same
31 force and effect as if taken at a regular meeting, and; ~~and~~
32 ~~provided further that in the event the district school~~
33 ~~superintendent should fail to call a special meeting when~~
34 ~~requested to do so, as prescribed herein, such a meeting may be~~
35 ~~called by the chair of the district school board or by a~~
36 ~~majority of the members of the district school board by giving 2~~
37 ~~days' written notice of the time and purpose of the meeting to~~
38 ~~all members and to the district school superintendent, in which~~
39 ~~event~~ the minutes of the meeting must ~~shall~~ set forth the facts
40 regarding the procedure in calling the meeting and the reason
41 the meeting was called. The minutes must ~~therefor and shall~~ be
42 signed ~~either~~ by the chair or by a majority of the members of
43 the district school board.

44 Section 2. Section 1001.41, Florida Statutes, is amended

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to read:

1001.41 General powers of district school board.—The district school board, after considering recommendations submitted by the district school superintendent or a member of the school board, shall exercise the following general powers:

(1) Determine policies and programs consistent with state law and rule deemed necessary by it for the efficient operation and general improvement of the district school system.

(2) Adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to implement the provisions of law conferring duties upon it to supplement those prescribed by the State Board of Education and the Commissioner of Education.

(3) Prescribe and adopt standards and policies to provide each student the opportunity to receive a complete education program, including language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, health, physical education, foreign languages, and the arts, as defined by the Sunshine State Standards. The standards and policies must emphasize integration and reinforcement of reading, writing, and mathematics skills across all subjects, including career awareness, career exploration, and career and technical education.

(4) Contract, sue, and be sued. The district school board shall constitute the contracting agent for the district school system.

(5) Perform duties and exercise those responsibilities that are assigned to it by law or by rules of the State Board of Education or the Commissioner of Education and, in addition thereto, those that it may find to be necessary for the

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73 improvement of the district school system in carrying out the
74 purposes and objectives of the education code.

75 (6) Assign students to schools. Notwithstanding any other
76 provision of law, if a parent of a public school student has
77 died while the student is attending a public school, the
78 district school board must provide the student the option to
79 remain at that school until the student is promoted to middle
80 school or high school or graduates from high school, as
81 applicable. However, this option is unavailable to a student who
82 has been suspended in school more than once, expelled, or
83 suspended out of school from that school.

84 (7) Enter into agreements for accepting credit card,
85 charge card, and debit card payments as compensation for goods,
86 services, tuition, and fees, as authorized by law.

87 Section 3. Paragraph (1) of subsection (12) of section
88 1001.42, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

89 1001.42 Powers and duties of district school board.—The
90 district school board, acting as a board, shall exercise all
91 powers and perform all duties listed below:

92 (12) FINANCE.—Take steps to assure students adequate
93 educational facilities through the financial procedure
94 authorized in chapters 1010 and 1011 and as prescribed below:

95 (1) Internal auditor.—May employ an internal auditor to
96 perform ongoing financial verification of the financial records
97 of the school district and such other audits and reviews as the
98 district school board directs for the purpose of overseeing
99 school district resources and determining compliance with
100 applicable laws and district school board-approved policies,

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101 procedures, and contracts. The internal auditor shall report
102 directly to the district school board or its designee.

103 Section 4. Subsections (4) and (5) of section 1006.07,
104 Florida Statutes, are reordered and amended, and subsection (6)
105 of that section is amended, to read:

106 1006.07 District school board duties relating to student
107 discipline and school safety.—The district school board shall
108 provide for the proper accounting for all students, for the
109 attendance and control of students at school, and for proper
110 attention to health, safety, and other matters relating to the
111 welfare of students, including:

112 (5)~~(4)~~ EMERGENCY DRILLS; EMERGENCY PROCEDURES.—

113 (a) Formulate and prescribe policies and procedures for
114 emergency lockdown drills, emergency evacuation drills, and ~~for~~
115 actual emergencies, including, but not limited to, fires,
116 natural disasters, weapon-use and hostage situations, and bomb
117 threats, for all the public schools of the district which
118 comprise grades K-12. District school board policies must ~~shall~~
119 include commonly used alarm system responses for specific types
120 of emergencies and verification by each school that drills have
121 been provided as required by law and fire protection codes. As
122 used in this paragraph, the term "evacuation drill" means an
123 activity in which students and faculty practice the safest and
124 quickest way to evacuate a school facility in case of an
125 emergency in which evacuation is generally the safest option,
126 such as in the case of a fire. As used in this paragraph, the
127 term "lockdown drill" means an activity in which students and
128 faculty practice securing a school facility or rooms within the

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129 facility in case of an emergency in which hiding from a hostile
130 danger is generally deemed safer than evacuating the building,
131 such as in the case of a tornado or the presence of an armed
132 person who is threatening the safety of the students or
133 employees of a school.

134 1. The policies and procedures must require that emergency
135 lockdown drills be conducted at least as often as emergency
136 evacuation drills. This subparagraph does not require an
137 increase in the total number of emergency drills conducted at a
138 school each year.

139 2. Local law enforcement officers or fire officials are
140 encouraged to participate in, and to review, at least one
141 emergency lockdown drill at each school each year. After a
142 drill, participating law enforcement officers or fire officials
143 are encouraged to submit recommendations to the school on how it
144 can improve its safety procedures in case of an emergency
145 lockdown.

146 3. Each school shall designate the principal or a member
147 of its staff as the person responsible for overseeing a school's
148 emergency drills. Before an emergency drill is conducted, the
149 designated staff member shall review the appropriate, most
150 recent after-drill report required under subparagraph 4.

151 4. After a drill is completed, the designated staff member
152 shall electronically submit to the school district an after-
153 drill report that details the specific drill that was conducted.
154 Such report must include positive observations and
155 recommendations for improvement offered by the school or
156 participating law enforcement officers or fire officials, if

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157 any.

158 (b) ~~The district school board shall~~ Establish model
159 emergency management and emergency preparedness procedures for
160 the following life-threatening emergencies:

- 161 1. Weapon-use and hostage situations.
- 162 2. Hazardous materials or toxic chemical spills.
- 163 3. Weather emergencies, including hurricanes, tornadoes,
164 and severe storms.
- 165 4. Exposure as a result of a manmade emergency.

166 (4)~~(5)~~ EDUCATIONAL SERVICES IN DETENTION FACILITIES.—Offer
167 educational services to minors who have not graduated from high
168 school and eligible students with disabilities under the age of
169 22 who have not graduated with a standard diploma or its
170 equivalent who are detained in a county or municipal detention
171 facility, as defined in s. 951.23. These educational services
172 must ~~shall~~ be based upon the estimated length of time the
173 student will be in the facility and the student's current level
174 of functioning. District school superintendents or their
175 designees shall be notified by the county sheriff or chief
176 correctional officer, or his or her designee, upon the
177 assignment of a student under the age of 21 to the facility. A
178 cooperative agreement with the district school board and
179 applicable law enforcement units shall be developed to address
180 the notification requirement and the provision of educational
181 services to these students.

182 (6) SAFETY AND SECURITY BEST PRACTICES.—Use the Safety and
183 Security Best Practices developed by the Office of Program
184 Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to conduct a self-

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185 assessment of the school districts' current safety and security
 186 practices. Based on these self-assessment findings, the district
 187 school superintendent shall provide recommendations to the
 188 district school board which identify strategies and activities
 189 that the district school board should implement in order to
 190 improve school safety and security. ~~Annually~~ Each district
 191 school board must annually receive the self-assessment results
 192 at a publicly noticed district school board meeting to provide
 193 the public an opportunity to hear the district school board
 194 members discuss and take action on the report findings. Each
 195 district school superintendent shall report the self-assessment
 196 results and school board action to the commissioner within 30
 197 days after the district school board meeting.

198 Section 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.

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 201 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

202 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:

203 A bill to be entitled

204 An act relating to district school boards; amending s.
 205 1001.372, F.S.; specifying that district school board
 206 meeting agenda items may be proposed by the district
 207 school superintendent or a member of the school board;
 208 requiring district school boards to convene at least
 209 one regular meeting each quarter within a school year
 210 which begins no earlier than 5 p.m. and to create
 211 criteria for convening such a meeting; amending s.
 212 1001.41, F.S.; requiring a district school board to

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213 exercise its general powers after considering
214 recommendations made by a school board member;
215 requiring a district school board to allow a public
216 school student whose parent has died to remain
217 enrolled in the school he or she was attending at the
218 time of the parent's death if requirements are met;
219 amending s. 1001.42, F.S.; providing additional
220 purposes for which an internal auditor may be
221 employed; amending s. 1006.07, F.S.; defining and
222 distinguishing emergency lockdown drills from
223 emergency evacuation drills; requiring that emergency
224 lockdown drills be conducted at least as often as
225 emergency evacuation drills; encouraging local law
226 enforcement officers or fire officials to participate
227 in and to review at least one emergency lockdown drill
228 at each school each year; requiring a designated staff
229 member to submit an after-drill report to the school
230 district after an emergency drill; providing
231 requirements for the after-drill report; providing an
232 effective date.