

By Senator Legg

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to education; requiring that the  
3           technology infrastructure, connectivity, and capacity  
4           of all public schools and school districts that  
5           administer statewide standardized assessments pursuant  
6           to s. 1008.22, F.S., be load tested and independently  
7           verified as appropriate, adequate, efficient, and  
8           sustainable; requiring that full implementation of  
9           online common core assessments for all kindergarten  
10          through grade 12 public school students occur only  
11          after the technology infrastructure, connectivity, and  
12          capacity of all public schools and school districts  
13          have been load tested and independently verified as  
14          ready for successful deployment and implementation;  
15          amending s. 1000.21, F.S.; modifying a definition;  
16          providing that certain common core standards are part  
17          of the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards;  
18          directing the Division of Law Revision and Information  
19          to change the term "Sunshine State Standards" to "Next  
20          Generation Sunshine State Standards" wherever the term  
21          appears in Florida Statutes; providing an effective  
22          date.

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

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26           Section 1. The technology infrastructure, connectivity, and  
27 capacity of all public schools and school districts that  
28 administer statewide standardized assessments pursuant to s.  
29 1008.22, Florida Statutes, including online assessments, shall

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30 be load tested and independently verified as appropriate,  
31 adequate, efficient, and sustainable.

32 Section 2. Full implementation of online common core  
33 assessments for all kindergarten through grade 12 public school  
34 students shall occur only after the technology infrastructure,  
35 connectivity, and capacity of all public schools and school  
36 districts have been load tested and independently verified as  
37 ready for successful deployment and implementation.

38 Section 3. Subsection (7) of section 1000.21, Florida  
39 Statutes, is amended to read:

40 1000.21 Systemwide definitions.—As used in the Florida K-20  
41 Education Code:

42 (7) ~~“Sunshine State Standards” or the “Next Generation~~  
43 ~~Sunshine State Standards” means the state’s public K-12~~  
44 ~~curricular standards, including common core standards in~~  
45 ~~English/Language Arts and Mathematics, adopted under s. 1003.41.~~  
46 ~~The term includes the Sunshine State Standards that are in place~~  
47 ~~for a subject until the standards for that subject are replaced~~  
48 ~~under s. 1003.41 by the Next Generation Sunshine State~~  
49 ~~Standards.~~

50 Section 4. The Division of Law Revision and Information  
51 shall change “Sunshine State Standards” to “Next Generation  
52 Sunshine State Standards” wherever it appears in Florida  
53 Statutes.

54 Section 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.