

By Senator Garcia

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to students remaining on school
3 grounds during school hours; amending s. 1001.43,
4 F.S.; providing that a district school board may adopt
5 policies for releasing students for the school lunch
6 period; requiring schools in certain districts to
7 obtain parental consent before permitting students to
8 leave school grounds during the lunch period;
9 providing an effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section
14 1001.43, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

15 1001.43 Supplemental powers and duties of district school
16 board.—The district school board may exercise the following
17 supplemental powers and duties as authorized by this code or
18 State Board of Education rule.

19 (1) STUDENT MANAGEMENT.—The district school board may adopt
20 programs and policies to ensure the safety and welfare of
21 individuals, the student body, and school personnel, which
22 programs and policies may:

23 (c) Provide procedures for student dismissal precautions
24 and for granting permission for students to leave school grounds
25 during school hours, including releasing a student from school
26 upon request by a parent, or for public appearances of school
27 groups, or for the school lunch period. However, in a district
28 that has more than 100,000 students in prekindergarten through
29 grade 12, a school may not permit a student to leave school

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30 grounds for the lunch period unless the student's parent has, in
31 writing, consented to such open campus policy for the school
32 year.

33 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.