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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to maximum class size; amending s.
3 1003.03, F.S.; calculating a school district's class
4 size categorical allocation reduction at the school
5 average when maximum class size requirements are not
6 met; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; revising provisions
7 relating to maximum class size in charter schools, to
8 conform; providing an effective date.

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

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12 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section
13 1003.03, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

14 1003.03 Maximum class size.—

15 (4) ACCOUNTABILITY.—

16 (a) If the department determines that the number of
17 students assigned to any individual class exceeds the class size
18 maximum, as required in subsection (1), based upon the October
19 student membership survey, the department shall:

20 1. ~~Identify, for each grade group, the number of classes in~~
21 ~~which the number of students exceeds the maximum and the total~~
22 ~~number of students which exceeds the maximum for all classes.~~

23 ~~2.~~ Determine the number of FTE students which exceeds the
24 maximum for each grade group calculated at the school average.

25 ~~2.3.~~ Multiply the total number of FTE students which
26 exceeds the maximum for each grade group calculated at the
27 school average by the district's FTE dollar amount of the class
28 size categorical allocation for that year and calculate the
29 total for all three grade groups.

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30 ~~3.4.~~ Multiply the total number of FTE students which
31 exceeds the maximum for all classes calculated at the school
32 average by an amount equal to 50 percent of the base student
33 allocation adjusted by the district cost differential for the
34 ~~each of the 2010-2011 through~~ 2013-2014 fiscal year ~~years~~ and by
35 an amount equal to the base student allocation adjusted by the
36 district cost differential in the 2014-2015 fiscal year and
37 thereafter.

38 ~~4.5.~~ Reduce the district's class size categorical
39 allocation by an amount equal to the sum of the calculations in
40 subparagraphs 2. and 3. ~~and 4.~~

41 Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (16) of section
42 1002.33, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

43 1002.33 Charter schools.—

44 (16) EXEMPTION FROM STATUTES.—

45 (b) Additionally, a charter school shall be in compliance
46 with the following statutes:

47 1. Section 286.011, relating to public meetings and
48 records, public inspection, and criminal and civil penalties.

49 2. Chapter 119, relating to public records.

50 3. Section 1003.03, relating to the maximum class size,
51 ~~except that the calculation for compliance pursuant to s.~~
52 ~~1003.03 shall be the average at the school level.~~

53 4. Section 1012.22(1)(c), relating to compensation and
54 salary schedules.

55 5. Section 1012.33(5), relating to workforce reductions.

56 6. Section 1012.335, relating to contracts with
57 instructional personnel hired on or after July 1, 2011.

58 7. Section 1012.34, relating to the substantive

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59 requirements for performance evaluations for instructional
60 personnel and school administrators.

61 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.