

By Senator Legg

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to postsecondary education; amending
3 1007.27, F.S.; revising the articulated acceleration
4 mechanisms that are available for secondary and
5 postsecondary students attending public educational
6 institutions to include industry certifications;
7 providing an effective date.
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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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11 Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 1007.27, Florida
12 Statutes, is amended to read:

13 1007.27 Articulated acceleration mechanisms.—

14 (1) It is the intent of the Legislature that a variety of
15 articulated acceleration mechanisms be available for secondary
16 and postsecondary students attending public educational
17 institutions. It is intended that articulated acceleration serve
18 to shorten the time necessary for a student to complete the
19 requirements associated with the conference of a high school
20 diploma and a postsecondary degree, broaden the scope of
21 curricular options available to students, or increase the depth
22 of study available for a particular subject. Articulated
23 acceleration mechanisms ~~shall~~ include, but are not limited to,
24 dual enrollment and early admission as provided for in s.
25 1007.271, advanced placement, credit by examination, the
26 International Baccalaureate Program, ~~and~~ the Advanced
27 International Certificate of Education Program, and industry
28 certifications. Credit earned through the Florida Virtual School
29 shall provide additional opportunities for early graduation and

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30 acceleration. Students of Florida public secondary schools
31 enrolled pursuant to this subsection are ~~shall be~~ deemed
32 authorized users of the state-funded electronic library
33 resources that are licensed for Florida College System
34 institutions and state universities by the Florida Virtual
35 Campus. Verification of eligibility must ~~shall~~ be in accordance
36 with rules established by the State Board of Education and
37 regulations established by the Board of Governors and processes
38 implemented by Florida College System institutions and state
39 universities.

40 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.