

By the Committee on Education; and Senators Bean and Bradley

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to the joint use and public access of  
3 public school facilities and joint community projects;  
4 creating s. 768.072, F.S.; authorizing district school  
5 boards to enter into joint-use agreements with a local  
6 government or a private organization or adopt public  
7 access policies; providing criteria for joint-use  
8 agreements; authorizing a district school board to  
9 enter into agreements with a county, municipality, or  
10 Florida College System institution to develop and  
11 operate joint community projects; requiring such  
12 agreements to have certain specifications; requiring  
13 certain provisions to be included in joint-use  
14 agreements for joint community projects, including  
15 indemnification of district school boards and  
16 liability insurance; providing applicability;  
17 providing that s. 1012.467, F.S., does not apply when  
18 there is no school-sponsored or school-related program  
19 or activity in progress; providing an effective date.  
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21 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:  
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23 Section 1. Section 768.072, Florida Statutes, is created to  
24 read:

25 768.072 Indemnification and liability insurance  
26 requirements for public school property joint-use agreements and  
27 joint community projects.-

28 (1) A district school board may, at its discretion, enter  
29 into a joint-use agreement with a local government or a private

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30 organization or adopt public access policies to enable public  
31 access to indoor or outdoor recreation and sports facilities on  
32 public school property. A joint-use agreement must specify the  
33 facilities to be used, the dates and times of use, and the terms  
34 and conditions governing use of such facilities; must provide  
35 for the full indemnification of the district school board by the  
36 local government or private organization for any damages arising  
37 from the joint use; and must require the local government or  
38 private organization to maintain liability insurance of at least  
39 \$200,000 per person and \$300,000 per incident to cover the  
40 indemnification.

41 (a) A district school board may enter into agreements with  
42 a county, municipality, or Florida College System institution to  
43 develop and operate joint community projects. The agreements  
44 must specify how the joint community projects will be developed  
45 and operated, where the projects will be located, that the  
46 operating entity may enter into joint-use agreements pursuant to  
47 this subsection, how public access policies pursuant to this  
48 subsection will be adopted, and any other provisions necessary  
49 to develop and operate the joint community projects.

50 (b) A joint-use agreement for a joint community project  
51 must specify the facilities to be used, the dates and times of  
52 use, and the terms and conditions governing use of such  
53 facilities; must provide for the full indemnification of the  
54 district school board by the county, municipality, or Florida  
55 College System institution for any damages arising from the  
56 joint use; and must require the county, municipality, or Florida  
57 College System institution to maintain liability insurance of at  
58 least \$200,000 per person and \$300,000 per incident to cover the

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59 indemnification.

60 (2) This section does not waive sovereign immunity beyond  
61 the limited waiver in s. 768.28.

62 (3) Section 1012.467 does not apply to the portion of the  
63 property made available pursuant to this section when there is  
64 no school-sponsored or school-related program or activity in  
65 progress. This subsection does not expand the applicability of  
66 s. 1012.467.

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