Representative Fresen offered the following:

Amendment

Remove lines 76-106 and insert:

(1) There is established an educational Internet-based data transport service which shall be known as the Florida Information Resource Network by school districts, educational institutions in the Florida College System, universities, and other eligible users. The Department of Education shall collaborate with the Department of Management Services to establish the Florida Information Resource Network in a manner that complies with all requirements necessary to receive federal funds that are available through the Schools and
Libraries Program, commonly cited as the E-rate program, of the federal Universal Service Fund administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company under direction of the Federal Communications Commission.

(2) The Florida Information Resource Network shall be used by each school district in preparation for and implementation and administration of the statewide, standardized assessments administered pursuant to s. 1008.22. A school district may use the Florida Information Resource Network for other eligible educational purposes as identified by the district. However, the Florida Information Resource Network must be configured in such a manner that network traffic associated with the statewide, standardized assessments is given preferential and preemptive treatment over other network traffic.

(3) The Florida Information Resource Network must comply with:

(a) The standard that requires each full-time equivalent student funded in the Florida Education Finance Program to have access to one megabit of bandwidth no later than the beginning of the 2017-2018 academic year.

(b) All applicable state and federal laws, rules, regulations, and policies regarding the security and privacy of student records and data.

(4)(a) A school district may seek exemption from using the Florida Information Resource Network for purposes of subsection (2) if the school district certifies to the Department of
Education that the district has executed or will have executed a contract by July 1, 2014, that meets all of the following requirements:

1. Has been deemed eligible to receive the federal funds referenced in subsection (1).
2. Will comply with the standard established pursuant to paragraph (3)(a).
3. Includes comparable services as offered by the Florida Information Resource Network, to include Internet access, helpdesk support, security, network traffic analysis and utilization reporting, intrusion prevention, basic firewall protection, and content filtering services, at a cost that is equal to or less than the cost of such services provided by the Florida Information Resource Network.
4. Complies with all applicable state and federal laws, rules, regulations, and policies regarding the security and privacy of student records and data.

(b)1. If the Department of Education, in consultation with the Department of Management Services, verifies that a school district meets the requirements identified in paragraph (a), the school district is authorized to use its funds appropriated pursuant to s. 1011.62 to fund the portion of the school district's contract for Internet access that is not funded by the federal funds referenced in subsection (1).

2. The school district must provide to the Department of Management Services, in a format prescribed by the department,
the data the department needs to develop the interactive geographical information system map established pursuant to s. 282.702.

(5) A school district must comply with subsection (4) for each subsequent contract executed after the termination of a contract for which the exemption to subsection (2) was obtained.