

1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to the dual enrollment program;
3 amending s. 1007.271, F.S.; exempting dual enrollment
4 students from paying certain fees, including
5 technology fees; deleting the requirement for a home
6 education secondary student to be responsible for his
7 or her own instructional materials in order to
8 participate in the dual enrollment program; requiring
9 a postsecondary institution that is eligible to
10 participate in the dual enrollment program to enter
11 into a home education articulation agreement;
12 requiring the postsecondary institution to annually
13 complete and submit the agreement to the Department of
14 Education by a specified date; conforming provisions
15 to changes made by the act; authorizing certain
16 instructional materials to be made available free of
17 charge to dual enrollment students in public high
18 schools, home education programs, and private schools;
19 requiring the department to review dual enrollment
20 articulation agreements submitted for certain
21 students, including home education students and
22 private school students, to participate in a dual
23 enrollment program; requiring the Commissioner of
24 Education to notify the district school board
25 superintendent and the president of the postsecondary
26 institution if the dual enrollment articulation

27 agreement does not comply with statutory requirements;
28 requiring a district school board and a Florida
29 College System institution to annually complete and
30 submit a dual enrollment articulation agreement with a
31 state university and an eligible independent college
32 or university, as applicable, to the department by a
33 specified date; providing requirements for a private
34 school student to participate in a dual enrollment
35 program; requiring a postsecondary institution
36 eligible to participate in the dual enrollment program
37 to enter into an articulation agreement with each
38 private school student seeking enrollment in a dual
39 enrollment course and the student's parent; requiring
40 the postsecondary institution to annually complete and
41 submit the articulation agreement to the department by
42 a specified date; providing requirements for the
43 articulation agreement; amending ss. 1002.20 and
44 1011.62, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made
45 by the act; providing an effective date.

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

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49 Section 1. Subsections (2), (10), (11), (13), (16), (17),
50 (22), (23), and (24) of section 1007.271, Florida Statutes, are
51 amended to read:

52 1007.271 Dual enrollment programs.—

53 (2) For the purpose of this section, an eligible secondary
54 student is a student who is enrolled in a Florida public
55 secondary school or in a Florida private secondary school which
56 is in compliance with s. 1002.42(2) and provides a secondary
57 curriculum pursuant to s. 1003.428 or s. 1003.4282. A student
58 ~~Students~~ who is ~~are~~ eligible for dual enrollment pursuant to
59 this section may enroll in dual enrollment courses conducted
60 during school hours, after school hours, and during the summer
61 term. However, if the student is projected to graduate from high
62 school before the scheduled completion date of a postsecondary
63 course, the student may not register for that course through
64 dual enrollment. The student may apply to the postsecondary
65 institution and pay the required registration, tuition, and fees
66 if the student meets the postsecondary institution's admissions
67 requirements under s. 1007.263. Instructional time for dual
68 enrollment may vary from 900 hours; however, the full-time
69 equivalent student membership value shall be subject to ~~the~~
70 ~~provisions in~~ s. 1011.61(4). A ~~Any~~ student enrolled as a dual
71 enrollment student is exempt from the payment of registration,
72 tuition, technology, and laboratory fees. Applied academics for
73 adult education instruction, developmental education, and other
74 forms of precollegiate instruction, as well as physical
75 education courses that focus on the physical execution of a
76 skill, rather than the intellectual attributes of the activity,
77 are ineligible for inclusion in the dual enrollment program.
78 Recreation and leisure studies courses shall be evaluated

79 | individually in the same manner as physical education courses
 80 | for potential inclusion in the program.

81 | (10) Early admission is a form of dual enrollment through
 82 | which an eligible secondary student enrolls ~~students enroll~~ in a
 83 | postsecondary institution on a full-time basis in courses that
 84 | are creditable toward the high school diploma and the associate
 85 | or baccalaureate degree. A student must enroll in a minimum of
 86 | 12 college credit hours per semester or the equivalent to
 87 | participate in the early admission program; however, a student
 88 | may not be required to enroll in more than 15 college credit
 89 | hours per semester or the equivalent. A student ~~Students~~
 90 | enrolled pursuant to this subsection is ~~are~~ exempt from the
 91 | payment of registration, tuition, technology, and laboratory
 92 | fees.

93 | (11) Career early admission is a form of career dual
 94 | enrollment through which an eligible secondary student enrolls
 95 | ~~students enroll~~ full time in a career center or a Florida
 96 | College System institution in postsecondary programs leading to
 97 | industry certifications, as listed in the Postsecondary Industry
 98 | Certification Funding List pursuant to s. 1008.44, which are
 99 | creditable toward the high school diploma and the certificate or
 100 | associate degree. Participation in the career early admission
 101 | program is limited to students who have completed a minimum of 4
 102 | semesters of full-time secondary enrollment, including studies
 103 | undertaken in ~~the ninth~~ grade 9. A student ~~Students~~ enrolled
 104 | pursuant to this section is ~~are~~ exempt from the payment of

105 registration, tuition, technology, and laboratory fees.

106 (13) (a) The dual enrollment program for a home education
 107 student ~~students~~ consists of the enrollment of an eligible home
 108 education secondary student in a postsecondary course creditable
 109 toward an associate degree, a career certificate, or a
 110 baccalaureate degree. To participate in the dual enrollment
 111 program, an eligible home education secondary student must:

112 1. Provide proof of enrollment in a home education program
 113 pursuant to s. 1002.41.

114 2. Be responsible for his or her own ~~instructional~~
 115 ~~materials~~ and transportation unless provided for otherwise.

116 3. Sign a home education articulation agreement pursuant
 117 to paragraph (b).

118 (b) Each postsecondary institution that is eligible to
 119 participate in the dual enrollment program pursuant to s.
 120 1011.62(1)(i) must ~~shall~~ enter into a home education
 121 articulation agreement with each home education student seeking
 122 enrollment in a dual enrollment course and the student's parent.
 123 The applicable postsecondary institution shall annually complete
 124 and submit the home education articulation agreement to the
 125 Department of Education by August 1. The home education
 126 articulation agreement must ~~shall~~ include, at a minimum:

127 1. A delineation of courses and programs available to a
 128 ~~dually enrolled~~ home education student who participates in a
 129 dual enrollment program ~~students~~. The postsecondary institution
 130 may add, revise, or delete courses and programs ~~may be added,~~

131 ~~revised, or deleted at any time by the postsecondary~~
132 ~~institution.~~

133 2. The initial and continued eligibility requirements for
134 home education student participation, not to exceed those
135 required of other dual enrollment ~~dually enrolled~~ students.

136 3. The student's responsibilities for providing his or her
137 own ~~instructional materials and~~ transportation.

138 4. A copy of the statement on transfer guarantees
139 developed by the Department of Education under subsection (15).

140 (16) A student ~~Students~~ who meets ~~meet~~ the eligibility
141 requirements of this section and who chooses ~~choose~~ to
142 participate in dual enrollment programs is ~~are~~ exempt from the
143 payment of registration, tuition, technology, and laboratory
144 fees.

145 (17) Instructional materials assigned for use within dual
146 enrollment courses shall be made available free of charge to
147 dual enrollment students from ~~Florida~~ public high schools in
148 this state, home education programs pursuant to s. 1002.41, and
149 private schools pursuant to subsection (2) ~~free of charge~~. ~~This~~
150 ~~subsection does not prohibit a Florida College System~~
151 ~~institution from providing instructional materials at no cost to~~
152 ~~a home education student or student from a private school.~~
153 Instructional materials purchased by a district school board or
154 Florida College System institution board of trustees on behalf
155 of dual enrollment students are ~~shall be~~ the property of the
156 board against which the purchase is charged.

157 (22) The Department of Education shall develop an
 158 electronic submission system for dual enrollment articulation
 159 agreements and shall review, for compliance, each dual
 160 enrollment articulation agreement submitted pursuant to
 161 subsections (13), ~~subsection~~ (21), and (24). The Commissioner of
 162 Education shall notify the district school superintendent and
 163 the president of the postsecondary institution that is eligible
 164 to participate in the dual enrollment program pursuant to s.
 165 1011.62(1)(i) Florida College System institution president if
 166 the dual enrollment articulation agreement does not comply with
 167 statutory requirements and shall submit any dual enrollment
 168 articulation agreement with unresolved issues of noncompliance
 169 to the State Board of Education.

170 (23) A district school board ~~boards~~ and a Florida College
 171 System institution ~~institutions~~ may enter into an additional
 172 dual enrollment articulation agreement ~~agreements~~ with a state
 173 university ~~universities~~ for the purposes of this section. A
 174 school district ~~districts~~ may also enter into a dual enrollment
 175 articulation agreement ~~agreements~~ with an eligible independent
 176 college or university ~~colleges and universities~~ pursuant to s.
 177 1011.62(1)(i). The district school board and the Florida College
 178 System institution shall annually complete and submit the dual
 179 enrollment articulation agreement with the state university and
 180 an eligible independent college or university, as applicable, to
 181 the Department of Education by August 1.

182 (24) (a) The dual enrollment program for a private school

183 student consists of the enrollment of an eligible private school
184 student in a postsecondary course creditable toward an associate
185 degree, a career certificate, or a baccalaureate degree. In
186 addition, the private school in which the student is enrolled
187 must award credit toward high school completion for the
188 postsecondary course under the dual enrollment program. To
189 participate in the dual enrollment program, an eligible private
190 school student shall:

191 1. Provide proof of enrollment in a private school
192 pursuant to subsection (2).

193 2. Be responsible for his or her own transportation unless
194 provided for otherwise.

195 3. Sign a private school articulation agreement pursuant
196 to paragraph (b).

197 (b) Each postsecondary institution that is eligible to
198 participate in the dual enrollment program pursuant to s.
199 1011.62(1)(i) must enter into a private school articulation
200 agreement with each private school student seeking enrollment in
201 a dual enrollment course and the student's parent. The
202 applicable postsecondary institution shall annually complete and
203 submit the private school articulation agreement to the
204 Department of Education by August 1. The articulation agreement
205 must include, at a minimum:

206 1. A delineation of courses and programs available to a
207 private school student who participates in a dual enrollment
208 program. The postsecondary institution may add, revise, or

209 delete courses and programs at any time.

210 2. The initial and continued eligibility requirements for
211 private school student participation, not to exceed those
212 required of other dual enrollment students.

213 3. The student's responsibilities for providing his or her
214 own transportation.

215 4. A copy of the statement on transfer guarantees
216 developed by the Department of Education under subsection (15)
217 ~~Postsecondary institutions may enter into dual enrollment~~
218 ~~articulation agreements with private secondary schools pursuant~~
219 ~~to subsection (2).~~

220 Section 2. Paragraph (d) of subsection (19) of section
221 1002.20, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

222 1002.20 K-12 student and parent rights.—Parents of public
223 school students must receive accurate and timely information
224 regarding their child's academic progress and must be informed
225 of ways they can help their child to succeed in school. K-12
226 students and their parents are afforded numerous statutory
227 rights including, but not limited to, the following:

228 (19) INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS.—

229 (d) Dual enrollment students.—Instructional materials
230 purchased by a district school board or Florida College System
231 institution board of trustees on behalf of ~~public school~~ dual
232 enrollment students shall be made available free of charge to
233 the dual enrollment students ~~free of charge~~, in accordance with
234 s. 1007.271(17).

235 Section 3. Paragraph (i) of subsection (1) of section
236 1011.62, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

237 1011.62 Funds for operation of schools.—If the annual
238 allocation from the Florida Education Finance Program to each
239 district for operation of schools is not determined in the
240 annual appropriations act or the substantive bill implementing
241 the annual appropriations act, it shall be determined as
242 follows:

243 (1) COMPUTATION OF THE BASIC AMOUNT TO BE INCLUDED FOR
244 OPERATION.—The following procedure shall be followed in
245 determining the annual allocation to each district for
246 operation:

247 (i) Calculation of full-time equivalent membership with
248 respect to dual enrollment instruction.—Students enrolled in
249 dual enrollment instruction pursuant to s. 1007.271 may be
250 included in calculations of full-time equivalent student
251 memberships for basic programs for grades 9 through 12 by a
252 district school board. Instructional time for dual enrollment
253 may vary from 900 hours; however, the full-time equivalent
254 student membership value shall be subject to the provisions in
255 s. 1011.61(4). Dual enrollment full-time equivalent student
256 membership shall be calculated in an amount equal to the hours
257 of instruction that would be necessary to earn the full-time
258 equivalent student membership for an equivalent course if it
259 were taught in the school district. Students in dual enrollment
260 courses may also be calculated as the proportional shares of

261 full-time equivalent enrollments they generate for a Florida
 262 College System institution or university conducting the dual
 263 enrollment instruction. Early admission students shall be
 264 considered dual enrollments for funding purposes. Students may
 265 be enrolled in dual enrollment instruction provided by an
 266 eligible independent college or university and may be included
 267 in calculations of full-time equivalent student memberships for
 268 basic programs for grades 9 through 12 by a district school
 269 board. However, those provisions of law which exempt dual
 270 enrollment students ~~dual-enrolled~~ and early admission students
 271 from payment of instructional materials and tuition and fees,
 272 including technology, registration, and laboratory fees, do
 273 ~~shall~~ not apply to students who select the option of enrolling
 274 in an eligible independent institution. An independent college
 275 or university that ~~which~~ is located and chartered in Florida, is
 276 not for profit, is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of
 277 the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools or the
 278 Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools, and
 279 confers degrees as defined in s. 1005.02 is ~~shall be~~ eligible
 280 for inclusion in the dual enrollment or early admission program.
 281 Students enrolled in dual enrollment instruction are ~~shall be~~
 282 exempt from the payment of tuition and fees, including
 283 technology, registration, and laboratory fees. A ~~No~~ student
 284 enrolled in college credit mathematics or English dual
 285 enrollment instruction may not ~~shall~~ be funded as a dual
 286 enrollment unless the student has successfully completed the

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287 relevant section of the entry-level examination required
288 pursuant to s. 1008.30.

289 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.