

By Senator Gibson

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to human papillomavirus vaccination;
3 creating s. 1002.24, F.S.; requiring the Department of
4 Education to distribute certain information relating
5 to the human papillomavirus to the parents or
6 guardians of specified students; providing that
7 certain information must be included; requiring the
8 Department of Health to approve the information;
9 providing an effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Section 1002.24, Florida Statutes, is created to
14 read:

15 1002.24 Human papillomavirus information.—Beginning with
16 the 2018-2019 school year, the Department of Education shall
17 distribute information relating to the human papillomavirus to
18 the parents or guardians of students entering grade 6. The
19 information must, at a minimum, include the connection between
20 the human papillomavirus and cervical cancer and other cancers
21 and diseases; the availability of a vaccine to help prevent
22 infection of the human papillomavirus; and that the Centers for
23 Disease Control and Prevention recommends the vaccine be
24 completed before a student reaches 12 years of age. The
25 information must be approved by the Department of Health.

26 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.