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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

The Committee on Education (Baxley) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 430 and 431

insert:

Section 7. Subsection (5), paragraph (j) of subsection (6), and subsection (8) of section 1007.35, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1007.35 Florida Partnership for Minority and Underrepresented Student Achievement.—

(5) Each public high school, including, but not limited to, schools and alternative sites and centers of the Department of



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12 Juvenile Justice, shall provide for the administration of the
13 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test
14 (PSAT/NMSQT), or the PreACT ~~preliminary~~ ACT to all enrolled 10th
15 grade students. However, a written notice shall be provided to
16 each parent which must include the opportunity to exempt his or
17 her child from taking the PSAT/NMSQT or the PreACT ~~preliminary~~
18 ACT.

19 (a) Test results will provide each high school with a
20 database of student assessment data which certified school
21 counselors will use to identify students who are prepared or who
22 need additional work to be prepared to enroll and be successful
23 in credit-bearing college coursework, including dual enrollment
24 programs, AP courses, or other advanced high school courses.

25 (b) Funding for the PSAT/NMSQT or the PreACT ~~preliminary~~
26 ACT for all 10th grade students shall be contingent upon annual
27 funding in the General Appropriations Act.

28 (c) Public school districts must choose either the
29 PSAT/NMSQT or the PreACT ~~preliminary~~ ACT for districtwide
30 administration.

31 (6) The partnership shall:

32 (j) Provide information to students, parents, teachers,
33 counselors, administrators, districts, Florida College System
34 institutions, and state universities regarding PSAT/NMSQT or the
35 PreACT ~~preliminary~~ ACT administration, including, but not
36 limited to:

37 1. Test administration dates and times.

38 2. That participation in the PSAT/NMSQT or the PreACT
39 ~~preliminary~~ ACT is open to all 10th grade students.

40 3. The value of such tests in providing diagnostic feedback



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41 on student skills.

42 4. The value of student scores in predicting the
43 probability of success on AP or other advanced course
44 examinations.

45 (8) (a) By September 30 of each year, the partnership shall
46 submit to the department a report that contains an evaluation of
47 the effectiveness of the delivered services and activities.
48 Activities and services must be evaluated on their effectiveness
49 at raising student achievement and increasing the number of AP
50 or other advanced course examinations in low-performing middle
51 and high schools. Other indicators that must be addressed in the
52 evaluation report include the number of middle and high school
53 teachers trained; the effectiveness of the training; measures of
54 postsecondary readiness of the students affected by the program;
55 levels of participation in 10th grade PSAT/NMSQT or the PreACT
56 ~~preliminary ACT~~ testing; and measures of student, parent, and
57 teacher awareness of and satisfaction with the services of the
58 partnership.

59 (b) The department shall contribute to the evaluation
60 process by providing access, consistent with s. 119.071(5)(a),
61 to student and teacher information necessary to match against
62 databases containing teacher professional development data and
63 databases containing assessment data for the PSAT/NMSQT, SAT,
64 ACT, PreACT, AP, and other appropriate measures. The department
65 shall also provide student-level data on student progress from
66 middle school through high school and into college and the
67 workforce, if available, in order to support longitudinal
68 studies. The partnership shall analyze and report student
69 performance data in a manner that protects the rights of



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70 students and parents as required in 20 U.S.C. s. 1232g and s.
71 1002.22.

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74 And the title is amended as follows:

75 Delete lines 2 - 44

76 and insert:

77 An act relating to K-12 education; amending s.
78 1002.41, F.S.; specifying that a home education
79 program is not a school district program and is
80 registered with the district school superintendent
81 only for the purpose of complying with the state's
82 attendance requirements; revising the content
83 requirements of a notice of enrollment of a student in
84 a home education program; requiring the district
85 school superintendent to immediately register a home
86 education program upon receipt of the notice;
87 prohibiting a school district from requiring
88 additional information or verification of a home
89 education student except in specified circumstances;
90 authorizing a school district to provide home
91 education program students with access to certain
92 courses and programs offered by the school district;
93 requiring reporting and funding through the Florida
94 Education Finance Program; requiring home education
95 program students be provided access to certain
96 certifications and assessments offered by the school
97 district; prohibiting a school district from taking
98 certain actions against a home education program



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99 student's parent unless such action is necessary for a
100 school district program; amending s. 1003.21, F.S.;
101 prohibiting a district school superintendent from
102 requiring certain evidence relating to a child's age
103 from children enrolled in specified schools and
104 programs; amending s. 1003.26, F.S.; revising
105 reporting requirements for specified issues relating
106 to compulsory school attendance; amending s. 1003.27,
107 F.S.; requiring a school and school district to comply
108 with specified provisions before instituting criminal
109 prosecution against certain parents relating to
110 compulsory school attendance; amending s. 1006.15,
111 F.S.; revising the standards required for a home
112 education student to participate in extracurricular
113 activities; amending s. 1007.271, F.S.; prohibiting
114 dual enrollment course and program limitations for
115 home education students from exceeding limitations for
116 other students; providing an exemption from the grade
117 point average requirement for initial enrollment in a
118 dual enrollment program for certain home education
119 students; amending s. 1007.35, F.S.; updating
120 terminology; requiring the Department of Education to
121 provide certain teacher and student ACT and PreACT
122 information for the evaluation of certain services and
123 activities; amending s. 1002.385, F.S.; conforming