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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to the placement of instructional  
3           personnel; amending s. 1012.34, F.S.; prohibiting the  
4           use of a specified student learning growth formula as  
5           the only factor in determining the placement of  
6           certain instructional personnel; providing an  
7           effective date.

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

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11           Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (7) of section  
12           1012.34, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

13           1012.34 Personnel evaluation procedures and criteria.—

14           (7) MEASUREMENT OF STUDENT PERFORMANCE.—

15           (a) The Commissioner of Education shall approve a formula  
16           to measure individual student learning growth on the statewide,  
17           standardized assessments in English Language Arts and  
18           mathematics administered under s. 1008.22. A third party,  
19           independent of the assessment developer, must analyze student  
20           learning growth data calculated using the formula and provide  
21           access to a data visualization tool that enables teachers to  
22           understand and evaluate the data and school administrators to  
23           improve instruction, evaluate programs, allocate resources, plan  
24           professional development, and communicate with stakeholders. The  
25           formula may not be the only factor used to determine the  
26           placement of a classroom teacher, as defined in s.  
27           1012.01(2)(a), and other instructional staff, as defined in s.  
28           1012.01(2)(d). The formula must take into consideration each  
29           student's prior academic performance. The formula must not set

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30 different expectations for student learning growth based upon a  
31 student's gender, race, ethnicity, or socioeconomic status. In  
32 the development of the formula, the commissioner shall consider  
33 other factors such as a student's attendance record, disability  
34 status, or status as an English language learner. The  
35 commissioner may select additional formulas to measure student  
36 performance as appropriate for the remainder of the statewide,  
37 standardized assessments included under s. 1008.22 and continue  
38 to select formulas as new assessments are implemented in the  
39 state system.

40 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.