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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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Senator Bradley moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 588 and 589

insert:

Section 10. In order to implement Specific Appropriation 123 of the 2020-2021 General Appropriations Act, and notwithstanding the expiration date in section 8 of chapter 2019-116, Laws of Florida, subsection (1) of section 1001.26, Florida Statutes, is reenacted to read:

1001.26 Public broadcasting program system.—

(1) There is created a public broadcasting program system



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12 for the state. The department shall provide funds, as
13 specifically appropriated in the General Appropriations Act, to
14 educational television stations qualified by the Corporation for
15 Public Broadcasting or public colleges and universities that are
16 part of the public broadcasting program system. The program
17 system must include:

18 (a) Support for existing Corporation for Public
19 Broadcasting qualified program system educational television
20 stations.

21 (b) Maintenance of quality broadcast capability for
22 educational stations that are part of the program system.

23 (c) Interconnection of all educational stations that are
24 part of the program system for simultaneous broadcast and of
25 such stations with all universities and other institutions as
26 necessary for sharing of resources and delivery of programming.

27 (d) Establishment and maintenance of a capability for
28 statewide program distribution with facilities and staff,
29 provided such facilities and staff complement and strengthen
30 existing educational television stations.

31 (e) Provision of both statewide programming funds and
32 station programming support for educational television to meet
33 statewide priorities. Priorities for station programming need
34 not be the same as priorities for programming to be used
35 statewide. Station programming may include, but shall not be
36 limited to, citizens' participation programs, music and fine
37 arts programs, coverage of public hearings and governmental
38 meetings, equal air time for political candidates, and other
39 public interest programming.

40 Section 11. The text of s. 1001.26(1), Florida Statutes, as



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41 carried forward from chapter 2019-116, Laws of Florida, by this
42 act, expires July 1, 2021, and the text of that subsection shall
43 revert to that in existence on June 30, 2018, except that any
44 amendments enacted other than by this act shall be preserved and
45 continue to operate to the extent that such amendments are not
46 dependent upon the portions of text which expire pursuant to
47 this section.

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49 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

50 And the title is amended as follows:

51 Between lines 29 and 30

52 insert:

53 reenacting s. 1001.26(1), F.S., relating to the public
54 broadcasting program system; extending for 1 fiscal
55 year authorization for the Department of Education to
56 provide certain appropriated funds to public colleges
57 and universities for public broadcasting; providing
58 for the expiration and reversion of specified
59 statutory text;