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Representative Smith, C. offered the following:

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Amendment to Amendment (090379) (with title amendment)

Between lines 356 and 357 of the amendment, insert: Section 5. Paragraph (r) is added to subsection (1) of section 1002.421, Florida Statutes, to read:

1002.421 State school choice scholarship program accountability and oversight.-

(1) PRIVATE SCHOOL ELIGIBILITY AND OBLIGATIONS.—A private school participating in an educational scholarship program established pursuant to this chapter must be a private school as defined in s. 1002.01(2) in this state, be registered, and be in compliance with all requirements of this section in addition to

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private school requirements outlined in s. 1002.42, specific requirements identified within respective scholarship program laws, and other provisions of Florida law that apply to private schools, and must:

- (r) Establish a written nondiscrimination policy for student enrollment and admissions that prohibits discrimination based on a student's or his or her parent's sexual orientation, gender identity, gender, race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, or protective hairstyle. For purposes of this paragraph, the term:
- 1. "Protective hairstyle" includes, but is not limited to, hairstyles such as braids, locks, or twists.
- 2. "Race" is inclusive of traits historically associated with race, including, but not limited to, hair texture, hair type, and protective hairstyles.

This paragraph does not limit the free exercise of religion guaranteed by the United States Constitution and the State Constitution.

The department shall suspend the payment of funds to a private school that knowingly fails to comply with this subsection, and shall prohibit the school from enrolling new scholarship students, for 1 fiscal year and until the school complies. If a private school fails to meet the requirements of this subsection

or has consecutive years of material exceptions listed in the report required under paragraph (q), the commissioner may determine that the private school is ineligible to participate in a scholarship program.

Section 6. Paragraph (j) is added to subsection (10) of section 1002.33, Florida Statutes, to read:

1002.33 Charter schools.-

- (10) ELIGIBLE STUDENTS.-
- (j) A charter school must establish a written
  nondiscrimination policy for student enrollment and admissions
  that prohibits discrimination based on a student's or his or her
  parent's sexual orientation, gender identity, gender, race,
  ethnicity, national origin, religion, or protective hairstyle.
  For purposes of this paragraph, the term:
- 1. "Protective hairstyle" includes, but is not limited to, hairstyles such as braids, locks, or twists.
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Section 7. Paragraph (k) is added to subsection (1) of section 1003.02, Florida Statutes, to read:

1003.02 District school board operation and control of public K-12 education within the school district.—As provided in part II of chapter 1001, district school boards are constitutionally and statutorily charged with the operation and control of public K-12 education within their school district. The district school boards must establish, organize, and operate their public K-12 schools and educational programs, employees, and facilities. Their responsibilities include staff development, public K-12 school student education including education for exceptional students and students in juvenile justice programs, special programs, adult education programs, and career education programs. Additionally, district school boards must:

- (1) Provide for the proper accounting for all students of school age, for the attendance and control of students at school, and for proper attention to health, safety, and other matters relating to the welfare of students in the following areas:
- (k) Nondiscrimination policy.—Establish a written

  nondiscrimination policy for student enrollment and admissions

  that prohibits discrimination based on a student's or his or her

  parent's sexual orientation, gender identity, gender, race,

  ethnicity, national origin, religion, or protective hairstyle.

  For purposes of this paragraph, the term:

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## TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove line 398 of the amendment and insert: certain student memberships; amending 1002.421, F.S.; requiring certain private schools to establish a specified nondiscrimination policy; providing definitions; providing applicability; amending s. 1002.33, F.S.; requiring charter schools to establish a specified nondiscrimination policy; providing definitions; providing applicability; amending s. 1003.02, F.S.; requiring district school boards to establish a specified nondiscrimination policy; providing definitions; providing applicability; providing definitions; providing applicability; providing an effective