

By Senator Rodrigues

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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the board of directors of Florida
 3 ABLE, Inc.; amending s. 1009.986, F.S.; revising the
 4 composition of the membership of the Florida ABLE,
 5 Inc., board of directors; removing a limit on the
 6 number of terms that certain reappointed members may
 7 serve; providing an 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 (d) of subsection (3) of section
 12 1009.986, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

13 1009.986 Florida ABLE program.—

14 (3) DIRECT-SUPPORT ORGANIZATION; FLORIDA ABLE, INC.—

15 (d)1. The board of directors of Florida ABLE, Inc., shall
 16 consist of:

17 a. The chair of the Florida Prepaid College Board, who
 18 shall serve as the chair of the board of directors of Florida
 19 ABLE, Inc.

20 b. Up to three individuals ~~One individual~~ who possess
 21 ~~possesses~~ knowledge, skill, and experience in the areas of
 22 accounting, risk management, or investment management, one of
 23 whom may be a current member of the Florida Prepaid College
 24 Board, who shall be appointed by the Florida Prepaid College
 25 Board. ~~A current member of the Florida Prepaid College Board,~~
 26 ~~other than the chair, may be appointed.~~

27 c. One individual who possesses knowledge, skill, and
 28 experience in the areas of accounting, risk management, or
 29 investment management, who shall be appointed by the Governor.

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30 d. Two individuals who are advocates of persons with
31 disabilities, one of whom shall be appointed by the President of
32 the Senate and one of whom shall be appointed by the Speaker of
33 the House of Representatives. At least one of the individuals
34 appointed under this sub-subparagraph must be an advocate of
35 persons with developmental disabilities, as that term is defined
36 in s. 393.063.

37 2.a. The term of the appointees ~~appointee~~ under sub-
38 subparagraph 1.b. shall be up to 3 years as determined by the
39 Florida Prepaid College Board. Such appointees ~~appointee~~ may be
40 reappointed.

41 b. The term of the appointees under sub-subparagraphs 1.c.
42 and d. shall be 3 years. Such appointees may be reappointed ~~for~~
43 ~~up to one consecutive term.~~

44 3. Unless authorized by the board of directors of Florida
45 ABLE, Inc., an individual director has no authority to control
46 or direct the operations of Florida ABLE, Inc., or the actions
47 of its officers and employees.

48 4. The board of directors of Florida ABLE, Inc.:

49 a. Shall meet at least quarterly and at other times upon
50 the call of the chair.

51 b. May use any method of telecommunications to conduct, or
52 establish a quorum at, its meetings or the meetings of a
53 subcommittee or other subdivision if the public is given proper
54 notice of the telecommunications meeting and provided reasonable
55 access to observe and, if appropriate, to participate.

56 5. A majority of the total current membership of the board
57 of directors of Florida ABLE, Inc., constitutes a quorum of the
58 board.

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59 6. Members of the board of directors of Florida ABLE, Inc.,
60 and the board's subcommittees or other subdivisions shall serve
61 without compensation; however, the members may be reimbursed for
62 reasonable, necessary, and actual travel expenses pursuant to s.
63 112.061.

64 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.