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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Criminal Justice (Brandes) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section
1002.20, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1002.20 K-12 student and parent rights.—Parents of public
school students must receive accurate and timely information
regarding their child's academic progress and must be informed
of ways they can help their child to succeed in school. K-12



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11 students and their parents are afforded numerous statutory
12 rights including, but not limited to, the following:

13 (3) HEALTH ISSUES.—

14 (d) *Reproductive health and disease education.*—A public
15 school student whose parent makes written request to the school
16 principal shall be exempted from the teaching of reproductive
17 health or any disease, including HIV/AIDS, in accordance with
18 the provisions of s. 1003.42(3). Each school district shall
19 notify parents of this right through publication on the district
20 website of the curriculum, including the process for a parent to
21 exercise this right.

22 Section 2. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 1003.42,
23 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

24 1003.42 Required instruction.—

25 (1) (a) Each district school board shall provide all courses
26 required for middle grades promotion, high school graduation,
27 and appropriate instruction designed to ensure that students
28 meet State Board of Education adopted standards in the following
29 subject areas: reading and other language arts, mathematics,
30 science, social studies, foreign languages, health and physical
31 education, and the arts. The state board must remove a middle
32 grades course in the Course Code Directory that does not fully
33 integrate all appropriate curricular content required by s.
34 1003.41 and may approve a new course only if it meets the
35 required curricular content.

36 (b) The curriculum of any teaching of reproductive health
37 or any disease, including HIV/AIDS, its symptoms, development,
38 and treatment, as part of the courses required by paragraph (a)
39 must be annually approved by a district school board in an open,



40 noticed public meeting.

41 (3) Any student whose parent makes written request to the
42 school principal shall be exempted from the teaching of
43 reproductive health or any disease, including HIV/AIDS, its
44 symptoms, development, and treatment. A student so exempted may
45 not be penalized by reason of that exemption. Course
46 descriptions for comprehensive health education shall not
47 interfere with the local determination of appropriate curriculum
48 which reflects local values and concerns. Each school district
49 shall notify parents of this right through publication on the
50 district website of the curriculum, including the process for a
51 parent to exercise this right.

52 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

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

55 And the title is amended as follows:

56 Delete everything before the enacting clause
57 and insert:

58 A bill to be entitled
59 An act relating to reproductive health and disease
60 education; amending s. 1002.20, F.S.; requiring each
61 school district to publish specified materials on the
62 district website to notify parents of their right to
63 exempt their student from reproductive health and
64 disease education; amending s. 1003.42, F.S.;
65 requiring district school boards to annually approve
66 curriculum relating to reproductive health and disease
67 education in an open, noticed public meeting;
68 requiring each school district to publish specified



69 materials on the district website to notify parents of
70 their right to exempt their student from reproductive
71 health and disease education; providing an effective
72 date.