

Amendment No. 6

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<u>      </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	<u>      </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u>      </u>	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	<u>      </u>	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	<u>      </u>	(Y/N)
OTHER	<u>      </u>	

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Choice & Innovation  
 2 Subcommittee

3 Representative Nixon offered the following:

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5 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Between lines 1210 and 1211, insert:

7 Section 5. Paragraph (s) is added to subsection (1) of  
 8 section 1002.421, Florida Statutes, to read:

9 1002.421 State school choice scholarship program  
 10 accountability and oversight.—

11 (1) PRIVATE SCHOOL ELIGIBILITY AND OBLIGATIONS.—A private  
 12 school participating in an educational scholarship program  
 13 established pursuant to this chapter must be a private school as  
 14 defined in s. 1002.01(2) in this state, be registered, and be in  
 15 compliance with all requirements of this section in addition to  
 16 private school requirements outlined in s. 1002.42, specific

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17 requirements identified within respective scholarship program  
18 laws, and other provisions of Florida law that apply to private  
19 schools, and must:

20 (s) Follow the guidelines and requirements of a student's  
21 individual education plan (IEP). A private school that fails to  
22 follow a student's IEP:

23 1. Must reimburse the state for any program funds awarded  
24 to the student.

25 2. Is ineligible for participation in a scholarship  
26 program for up to 3 years.

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28 The department shall suspend the payment of funds to a private  
29 school that knowingly fails to comply with this subsection, and  
30 shall prohibit the school from enrolling new scholarship  
31 students, for 1 fiscal year and until the school complies. If a  
32 private school fails to meet the requirements of this subsection  
33 or has consecutive years of material exceptions listed in the  
34 report required under paragraph (q), the commissioner may  
35 determine that the private school is ineligible to participate  
36 in a scholarship program.

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39 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

40 Remove line 56 and insert:

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41 1002.40, F.S.; conforming cross-references; amending  
42 s. 1002.421, F.S.; revising private school eligibility  
43 requirements for participation in certain educational  
44 scholarship programs; requiring private schools to  
45 reimburse scholarship program funds to the state under  
46 certain circumstances; providing that private schools  
47 are ineligible for participation in such programs for  
48 a specified timeframe under certain circumstances;  
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