

By Senator Ingoglia

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Apprenticeship and
3 Preapprenticeship Direct Funding Grant Program;
4 creating s. 1011.8031, F.S.; creating the
5 Apprenticeship and Preapprenticeship Direct Funding
6 Grant Program for specified purposes; requiring the
7 Department of Education to administer the program;
8 requiring apprenticeship or preapprenticeship programs
9 to submit an application to the department for
10 participation in the program; prohibiting certain
11 apprenticeship or preapprenticeship programs from
12 participating in the grant program; requiring the
13 department to give priority to specified programs;
14 authorizing the State Board of Education to adopt
15 rules; providing an effective date.

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17 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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19 Section 1. Section 1011.8031, Florida Statutes, is created
20 to read:

21 1011.8031 Apprenticeship and Preapprenticeship Direct
22 Funding Grant Program.—

23 (1) Subject to appropriations provided in the General
24 Appropriations Act, the Apprenticeship and Preapprenticeship
25 Direct Funding Grant Program is created to provide funding
26 directly to apprenticeship or preapprenticeship programs, as
27 those terms are defined in s. 446.021, rather than funding such
28 programs through a local educational agency. The Department of
29 Education shall administer the grant program.

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30 (2) An apprenticeship or a preapprenticeship program shall
31 submit an application in a format prescribed by the department
32 to receive funding under this section. An apprenticeship or a
33 preapprenticeship program is ineligible for a grant under this
34 section if such program uses any school district or Florida
35 College System institution resources for the administration of
36 the program. The department shall give priority to
37 apprenticeship or preapprenticeship programs with demonstrated
38 regional demand.

39 (3) The State Board of Education may adopt rules to
40 administer this section.

41 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2023.