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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
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04/13/2023	.	
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The Appropriations Committee on Education (Perry) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 99 - 165

and insert:

(b) To assist in the recruitment of students, each district school board shall ensure all eligible students are informed of the Florida School for Competitive Academics. Each district school board shall inform parents of public school students that they may provide their child's student records to the Florida School for Competitive Academics Board of Trustees for



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11 recruitment purposes.

12 (3) BOARD OF TRUSTEES.—

13 (a)1. The Florida School for Competitive Academics shall be  
14 governed by a board of trustees composed of seven members  
15 appointed by the Governor to 4-year terms and confirmed by the  
16 Senate. For purposes of staggering terms, four members,  
17 including the chair as designated by the Governor, shall be  
18 appointed to 4-year terms beginning July 1, 2023, and three  
19 members shall be appointed to 2-year terms beginning July 1,  
20 2023. After the initial 4-year term, the chair shall be elected  
21 by the board.

22 2. No more than one employee of the school may serve on the  
23 board of trustees as a member or as chairman.

24 (b) Members of the board of trustees shall serve without  
25 compensation, but may be reimbursed for per diem and travel  
26 expenses pursuant to s. 112.061.

27 (c) The board of trustees is a public agency entitled to  
28 sovereign immunity pursuant to s. 768.28, and board members are  
29 public officers who bear fiduciary responsibility for the  
30 Florida School for Competitive Academics.

31 (d) The board of trustees is a body corporate with all the  
32 powers of a body corporate and with such authority as is needed  
33 for the proper operation and improvement of the Florida School  
34 for Competitive Academics. Title to any gift, donation, or  
35 bequest received by the board of trustees must vest in the board  
36 of trustees. Title to all other property and other assets of the  
37 Florida School for Competitive Academics must vest in the State  
38 Board of Education, but the board of trustees has complete  
39 jurisdiction over the management of the school.



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40 (e) The board of trustees has the full power and authority  
41 to:

42 1. Adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to  
43 implement provisions of law relating to operation of the Florida  
44 School for Competitive Academics. Such rules must be submitted  
45 to the State Board of Education for approval or disapproval.  
46 After a rule is approved by the State Board of Education, the  
47 rule must be filed immediately with the Department of State. The  
48 board of trustees shall act at all times in conjunction with the  
49 rules of the State Board of Education.

50 2. Appoint a principal, administrators, teachers, and other  
51 employees.

52 3. Remove principals, administrators, teachers, and other  
53 employees at the board's discretion.

54 4. Determine eligibility of students and procedures for  
55 admission.

56 5. Provide for the proper keeping of accounts and records  
57 and for budgeting of funds.

58 6. Receive gifts, donations, and bequests of money or  
59 property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, from any  
60 person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity for the use and  
61 benefit of the school.

62 7. Recommend to the Legislature for the school to become a  
63 residential public school.

64 8. Do and perform every other matter or thing requisite to  
65 the proper management, maintenance, support, and control of the  
66 school at the highest efficiency economically possible.

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69 And the title is amended as follows:  
70       Delete line 10  
71 and insert:  
72       the school; requiring each district school board to