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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to the care of students with epilepsy  
3       or seizure disorders; amending s. 1006.0626, F.S.;  
4       requiring school employees and certain individuals to  
5       receive certain training at a specified interval;  
6       providing an effective date.

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

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10       Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section  
11   1006.0626, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

12       1006.0626 Care of students with epilepsy or seizure  
13   disorders.—

14       (3) The school nurse or an appropriate school employee of a  
15   school that receives an ISAP pursuant to subsection (2) shall:

16       (b) Ensure ~~Verify~~ that each school employee or individual  
17   ~~who works with school-sponsored programs outside of the regular~~  
18   ~~school day is trained every 2 years whose duties include regular~~  
19   ~~contact with the student has completed training~~ in the care of  
20   students with epilepsy and seizure disorders. The training must  
21   include how to recognize the symptoms of and provide care for  
22   epilepsy and seizure disorders. To assist schools in meeting  
23   this requirement, the Department of Education shall identify on  
24   its website one or more online training courses that are  
25   provided by a nonprofit national organization that supports the  
26   welfare of individuals with epilepsy and seizure disorders and  
27   are available free of charge to schools.

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