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	<u>Senate</u> <u>House</u>
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1	The Conference Committee on HB 5101 offered the following:
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3	Conference Committee Amendment (with title amendment)
4	Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:
5	Section 1. Paragraphs (d) and (f) of subsection (2) of
6	section 11.45, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
7	11.45 Definitions; duties; authorities; reports; rules
8	(2) DUTIES.—The Auditor General shall:
9	(d) Annually conduct financial audits of the accounts and
10	records of all district school boards in counties with
11	populations of fewer than 150,000, according to the most recent
12	federal decennial statewide census, and the Florida School for
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13 the Deaf and the Blind, and the Florida School for Competitive 14 <u>Academics</u>.

(f) At least every 3 years, conduct operational audits of the accounts and records of state agencies, state universities, state colleges, district school boards, the Florida Clerks of Court Operations Corporation, water management districts, and the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, and the Florida School for Competitive Academics.

22 The Auditor General shall perform his or her duties

independently but under the general policies established by the Legislative Auditing Committee. This subsection does not limit the Auditor General's discretionary authority to conduct other audits or engagements of governmental entities as authorized in subsection (3).

28 Section 2. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 29 110.1228, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

30 110.1228 Participation by small counties, small 31 municipalities, and district school boards located in small 32 counties.-

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(1) As used in this section, the term:

(a) "District school board" means a district school board
located in a small county or a district school board that
receives funding pursuant to s. 1011.62(1)(f) s. 1011.62(7).

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37 Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 216.251, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 38 39 216.251 Salary appropriations; limitations.-40 (2)(a) The salary for each position not specifically indicated in the appropriations acts shall be as provided in one 41 42 of the following subparagraphs: 43 1. Within the classification and pay plans provided for in 44 chapter 110. 45 2. Within the classification and pay plans established by 46 the Board of Trustees for the Florida School for the Deaf and 47 the Blind of the Department of Education and approved by the 48 State Board of Education for academic and academic 49 administrative personnel. 50 3. Within the classification and pay plan approved and 51 administered by the Board of Governors or the designee of the 52 board for those positions in the State University System. 53 4. Within the classification and pay plan approved by the 54 President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of 55 Representatives, as the case may be, for employees of the 56 Legislature. 57 5. Within the approved classification and pay plan for the 58 judicial branch. 59 6. Within the classification and pay plans established by 60 the Board of Trustees for the Florida School for Competitive Academics of the Department of Education and approved by the 61 150157 Approved For Filing: 5/2/2023 12:28:06 PM

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62 State Board of Education for academic and academic 63 administrative personnel. 64 Section 4. Subsection (6) of section 402.22, Florida 65 Statutes, is amended to read: 66 402.22 Education program for students who reside in 67 residential care facilities operated by the Department of 68 Children and Families or the Agency for Persons with 69 Disabilities.-70 (6) Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 1001.42(4)(m), 71 the educational program at the Marianna Sunland Center in Jackson County shall be operated by the Department of Education, 72 73 either directly or through grants or contractual agreements with 74 other public educational agencies. The annual state allocation 75 to any such agency shall be computed pursuant to s. 1011.62(1), 76 (2), and (17) (6) and allocated in the amount that would have 77 been provided the local school district in which the residential 78 facility is located. 79 Section 5. Subsection (2) of section 447.203, Florida 80 Statutes, is amended to read: 81 447.203 Definitions.-As used in this part: 82 (2)"Public employer" or "employer" means the state or any county, municipality, or special district or any subdivision or 83 84 agency thereof which the commission determines has sufficient 85 legal distinctiveness properly to carry out the functions of a public employer. With respect to all public employees determined 86 150157 Approved For Filing: 5/2/2023 12:28:06 PM

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87 by the commission as properly belonging to a statewide bargaining unit composed of State Career Service System 88 89 employees or Selected Professional Service employees, the 90 Governor is shall be deemed to be the public employer; and the 91 Board of Governors of the State University System, or the 92 board's designee, is shall be deemed to be the public employer 93 with respect to all public employees of each constituent state 94 university. The board of trustees of a community college is 95 shall be deemed to be the public employer with respect to all 96 employees of the community college. The district school board is 97 shall be deemed to be the public employer with respect to all 98 employees of the school district. The Board of Trustees of the 99 Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind is shall be deemed to 100 be the public employer with respect to the academic and academic 101 administrative personnel of the Florida School for the Deaf and 102 the Blind. The Board of Trustees of the Florida School for 103 Competitive Academics is deemed to be the public employer with 104 respect to the academic and academic administrative personnel of 105 the Florida School for Competitive Academics. The Governor is 106 shall be deemed to be the public employer with respect to all 107 employees in the Correctional Education Program of the 108 Department of Corrections established pursuant to s. 944.801. 109 Section 6. Subsection (6) is added to section 1000.04, 110 Florida Statutes, to read:

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111 1000.04 Components for the delivery of public education 112 within the Florida Early Learning-20 education system.-Florida's 113 Early Learning-20 education system provides for the delivery of early learning and public education through publicly supported 114 115 and controlled K-12 schools, Florida College System 116 institutions, state universities and other postsecondary educational institutions, other educational institutions, and 117 118 other educational services as provided or authorized by the 119 Constitution and laws of the state. 120 (6) THE FLORIDA SCHOOL FOR COMPETITIVE ACADEMICS.-The Florida School for Competitive Academics is a component of the 121 122 delivery of public education within Florida's Early Learning-20 123 education system. 124 Section 7. Contingent upon HB 1069 or similar legislation 125 in the 2023 Regular Session or an extension thereof becoming a 126 law, subsection (6) is added to section 1000.071, Florida 127 Statutes, as created by HB 1069, 2023 Regular Session, to read: 1000.071 Personal titles and pronouns.-128 129 (6) The limitations of this section only apply to the 130 actions of an employee or contractor acting within the scope of their employment duties with the public K-12 educational 131 132 institution. 133 Section 8. Paragraph (e) of subsection (4) of section 134 1001.20, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1001.20 Department under direction of state board.-135 150157 Approved For Filing: 5/2/2023 12:28:06 PM

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136 (4) The Department of Education shall establish the 137 following offices within the Office of the Commissioner of 138 Education which shall coordinate their activities with all other 139 divisions and offices:

140 Office of Inspector General.-Organized using existing (e) resources and funds and responsible for promoting 141 142 accountability, efficiency, and effectiveness and detecting 143 fraud and abuse within school districts, the Florida School for 144 the Deaf and the Blind, the Florida School for Competitive 145 Academics, and Florida College System institutions in Florida. If the Commissioner of Education determines that a district 146 147 school board, the Board of Trustees for the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, the Board of Trustees for the Florida 148 149 School for Competitive Academics, or a Florida College System 150 institution board of trustees is unwilling or unable to address 151 substantiated allegations made by any person relating to waste, 152 fraud, or financial mismanagement within the school district, the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, the Florida 153 154 School for Competitive Academics, or the Florida College System 155 institution, the office must shall conduct, coordinate, or request investigations into such substantiated allegations. The 156 157 office shall investigate allegations or reports of possible 158 fraud or abuse against a district school board made by any 159 member of the Cabinet; the presiding officer of either house of the Legislature; a chair of a substantive or appropriations 160 150157

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161 committee with jurisdiction; or a member of the board for which 162 an investigation is sought. The office shall have access to all 163 information and personnel necessary to perform its duties and 164 shall have all of its current powers, duties, and 165 responsibilities authorized in s. 20.055.

Section 9. Subsections (8) through (12) of section 167 1001.215, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (7) 168 through (11), respectively, and subsections (1), (3), (4), and 169 (6) and present subsection (7) of that section are amended to 170 read:

171 1001.215 Just Read, Florida! Office.—There is created in 172 the Department of Education the Just Read, Florida! Office. The 173 office is fully accountable to the Commissioner of Education and 174 shall:

(1) Provide training to reading coaches and school administrators on the evidence-based strategies identified pursuant to subsection <u>(7)</u> (8) for purposes of implementation, modeling, and classroom observations to support professional growth and inform performance evaluations of instructional personnel.

181 (3) Work with the Lastinger Center for Learning at the 182 University of Florida to develop training for K-12 teachers, 183 reading coaches, and school administrators on effective content-184 area-specific reading strategies; the coordinated integration of 185 content-rich curriculum from other core subject areas into 150157

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186 reading instruction, with an emphasis on civic literacy; and 187 evidence-based reading strategies identified pursuant to 188 subsection (7) (8) to improve student reading performance. For 189 secondary teachers, emphasis shall be on technical text. These 190 strategies must be developed for all content areas in the K-12 191 curriculum.

192 (4) Develop and provide access to sequenced, content-rich 193 curriculum programming, instructional practices, and resources 194 that help elementary schools use state-adopted instructional 195 materials to increase students' background knowledge and 196 literacy skills, including student attainment of the Next 197 Generation Sunshine State Standards for social studies, science, 198 and the arts. The office shall, as part of the adoption cycle 199 for English Language Arts instructional materials, assist in 200 evaluating elementary grades instructional materials submitted 201 for adoption consideration in order to identify those materials 202 that are closely aligned to the content and evidence-based strategies identified pursuant to subsection (7) (8) and 203 204 incorporate professional development to implement such 205 strategies.

(6) Provide technical assistance to school districts in the development and implementation of district plans <u>required</u> <u>under s. 1003.4201</u> for use of the evidence-based reading instruction allocation provided in s. 1011.62(8) and annually review and approve such plans.

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211	(7) Review, evaluate, and provide technical assistance to
212	school districts' implementation of the comprehensive reading
213	plan required in s. 1011.62(8).
214	Section 10. Notwithstanding the expiration date in section
215	8 of chapter 2022-157, Laws of Florida, subsection (1) of
216	section 1001.26, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
217	1001.26 Public broadcasting program system
218	(1) There is created a public broadcasting program system
219	for the state. The department shall provide funds, as
220	specifically appropriated in the General Appropriations Act, to
221	educational television and radio stations qualified by the
222	Corporation for Public Broadcasting or public colleges and
223	universities that are part of the public broadcasting program
224	system. The program system must include:
225	(a) Support for existing Corporation for Public
226	Broadcasting qualified program system educational television
227	stations.
228	(b) Maintenance of quality broadcast capability for
229	educational stations that are part of the program system.
230	(c) Interconnection of all educational stations that are
231	part of the program system for simultaneous broadcast and of
232	such stations with all universities and other institutions as
233	necessary for sharing of resources and delivery of programming.
234	(d) Establishment and maintenance of a capability for
235	statewide program distribution with facilities and staff,
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236 provided such facilities and staff complement and strengthen
237 existing educational television stations.

238 (e) Provision of both statewide programming funds and 239 station programming support for educational television to meet 240 statewide priorities. Priorities for station programming need 241 not be the same as priorities for programming to be used 242 statewide. Station programming may include, but shall not be 243 limited to, citizens' participation programs, music and fine 244 arts programs, coverage of public hearings and governmental 245 meetings, equal air time for political candidates, and other 246 public interest programming.

247 Section 11. Subsection (21) of section 1001.42, Florida 248 Statutes, is amended to read:

249 1001.42 Powers and duties of district school board.—The 250 district school board, acting as a board, shall exercise all 251 powers and perform all duties listed below:

252 EDUCATIONAL EMERGENCY.-Negotiate special provisions (21)253 of its contract with the appropriate bargaining units To free 254 schools with a school grade of "D" or "F" from contract 255 restrictions that limit the school's ability to implement 256 programs and strategies needed to improve student performance, a 257 district school board may adopt salary incentives or other 258 strategies that address. The negotiations shall result in a 259 memorandum of understanding that addresses the selection, placement, compensation, and expectations of instructional 260 150157

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261 personnel and <u>provide</u> provides principals with the autonomy 262 described in s. 1012.28(8). For purposes of this subsection, an 263 educational emergency exists in a school district if one or more 264 schools in the district have a school grade of "D" or "F." 265 <u>Notwithstanding chapter 447, relating to collective bargaining,</u> 266 <u>a district school board may:</u>

267 <u>(a) Provide salary incentives that differentiate based on</u>
268 <u>a teacher's certification, subject area taught, or grade level</u>
269 <u>taught. Such incentives are not subject to collective bargaining</u>
270 <u>requirements.</u>

(b) Notwithstanding s. 1012.2315, relating to assignment of teachers, adopt strategies to assign high-quality teachers more equitably across schools in the district to low-performing schools as a management right. Such strategies are not subject to collective bargaining requirements.

276 Section 12. Paragraph (h) is added to subsection (2) of 277 section 1001.43, Florida Statutes, to read:

278 1001.43 Supplemental powers and duties of district school 279 board.—The district school board may exercise the following 280 supplemental powers and duties as authorized by this code or 281 State Board of Education rule.

(2) FISCAL MANAGEMENT.—The district school board may adopt policies providing for fiscal management of the school district with respect to school purchasing, facilities, nonstate revenue sources, budgeting, fundraising, and other activities relating 150157

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286	to the fiscal management of district resources, including, but
287	not limited to, the policies governing:
288	(h) Assessment of a kindergarten through grade 12 student
289	fee for voluntary, noncredit summer school enrollment in basic
290	program courses. The amount of any student fee shall be based on
291	the ability of the student to pay such fee as determined by
292	district school board policy.
293	Section 13. Paragraphs (e) through (h) of subsection (9)
294	of section 1002.32, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as
295	paragraphs (d) through (g), respectively, and present paragraphs
296	(a) and (d) of that subsection are amended to read:
297	1002.32 Developmental research (laboratory) schools
298	(9) FUNDING.—Funding for a lab school, including a charter
299	lab school, shall be provided as follows:
300	(a) Each lab school shall <u>receive state funds for</u>
301	operating purposes as provided in be allocated its proportional
302	share of operating funds from the Florida Education Finance
303	Program as <u>defined</u> provided in <u>s. 1011.61(5)</u> s. 1011.62 based on
304	the county in which the lab school is located and as specified
305	in the General Appropriations Act.
306	1. The nonvoted required local effort millage established
307	pursuant to s. 1011.71(1) ad valorem millage that would
308	otherwise be required for lab schools shall be allocated from
309	state funds.
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310	2. An equivalent amount of funds for the operating
311	discretionary millage authorized pursuant to s. 1011.71(1) shall
312	be allocated to each lab school through a state-funded
313	discretionary contribution established pursuant to s. 1011.62(6)
314	The required local effort funds calculated pursuant to s.
315	1011.62 shall be allocated from state funds to the schools as a
316	part of the allocation of operating funds pursuant to s.
317	1011.62. Each eligible lab school in operation as of September
318	1, 2013, with a permanent high school center shall also receive
319	a proportional share of the sparsity supplement as calculated
320	pursuant to s. 1011.62. In addition, each lab school shall
321	receive its proportional share of all categorical funds, with
322	the exception of s. 1011.68, and new categorical funds enacted
323	after July 1, 1994, for the purpose of elementary or secondary
324	academic program enhancement. The sum of funds available as
325	provided in this paragraph shall be included annually in the
326	Florida Education Finance Program and appropriate categorical
327	programs funded in the General Appropriations Act.
328	(d) Each lab school shall receive funds for operating
329	purposes in an amount determined as follows: multiply the
330	maximum allowable nonvoted discretionary millage for operations
331	pursuant to s. 1011.71(1) and (3) by the value of 96 percent of
332	the current year's taxable value for school purposes for the
333	district in which each lab school is located; divide the result
334	by the total full-time equivalent membership of the district;
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335	and multiply the result by the full-time equivalent membership
336	of the lab school. The amount thus obtained shall be
337	discretionary operating funds and shall be appropriated from
338	state funds in the General Appropriations Act to the Lab School
339	Trust Fund.
340	Section 14. Section 1002.351, Florida Statutes, is created
341	to read:
342	1002.351 The Florida School for Competitive Academics
343	(1) ESTABLISHMENTThere is established the Florida School
344	for Competitive Academics. The school shall be located in
345	Alachua County and is a state-supported public school for
346	Florida residents in grades 6-12. The primary purpose of the
347	school is to provide a rigorous academic curriculum, and the
348	secondary purpose is to prepare students for regional, state,
349	and national academic competitions in all areas of study,
350	including, but not limited to, science, technology, engineering,
351	and mathematics. The school may admit students in grades 6-12
352	beginning in the 2024-2025 school year.
353	(2) MISSION
354	(a) The mission of the Florida School for Competitive
355	Academics is to provide students who meet selective admissions
356	requirements an environment that will foster high academic
357	engagement and advanced understanding of subject areas, develop
358	productive work habits, build resiliency, connect students with
359	industry leaders, and promote civic leadership.
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360	(b) To assist in the recruitment of students, the Florida
361	School for Competitive Academics must be included in the school
362	choice online portal established under s. 1001.10(10). The
363	portal must include information about the opportunity for
364	parents to submit their child's educational records to the
365	Florida School for Competitive Academics for consideration for
366	admission.
367	(3) BOARD OF TRUSTEES.—
368	(a)1. The Florida School for Competitive Academics shall
369	be governed by a board of trustees composed of seven members
370	appointed by the Governor to 4-year terms and confirmed by the
371	Senate. For purposes of staggering terms, four members,
372	including the chair as designated by the Governor, shall be
373	appointed to 4-year terms beginning July 1, 2023, and three
374	members shall be appointed to 2-year terms beginning July 1,
375	2023. After the initial 4-year term, the chair shall be elected
376	by the board.
377	2. No more than one employee of the school may serve on
378	the board of trustees as a member or as chair.
379	(b) Members of the board of trustees shall serve without
380	compensation, but may be reimbursed for per diem and travel
381	expenses pursuant to s. 112.061.
382	(c) The board of trustees is a public agency entitled to
383	sovereign immunity pursuant to s. 768.28, and board members are
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384	public officers who bear fiduciary responsibility for the
385	Florida School for Competitive Academics.
386	(d) The board of trustees is a body corporate with all the
387	powers of a body corporate and with such authority as is needed
388	for the proper operation and improvement of the Florida School
389	for Competitive Academics. Title to any gift, donation, or
390	bequest received by the board of trustees must vest in the board
391	of trustees. Title to all other property and other assets of the
392	Florida School for Competitive Academics must vest in the State
393	Board of Education, but the board of trustees has complete
394	jurisdiction over the management of the school.
395	(e) The board of trustees has the full power and authority
396	to:
397	1. Adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 to
398	implement provisions of law relating to operation of the Florida
399	School for Competitive Academics. Such rules must be submitted
400	to the State Board of Education for approval or disapproval.
401	After a rule is approved by the State Board of Education, the
402	rule must be filed immediately with the Department of State. The
403	board of trustees shall act at all times in conjunction with the
404	rules of the State Board of Education.
405	2. Appoint a principal, administrators, teachers, and
406	other employees.
407	3. Remove principals, administrators, teachers, and other
408	employees at the board's discretion.
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409	4. Determine eligibility of students and procedures for
410	admission.
411	5. Provide for the proper keeping of accounts and records
412	and for budgeting of funds.
413	6. Receive gifts, donations, and bequests of money or
414	property, real or personal, tangible or intangible, from any
415	person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity for the use and
416	benefit of the school.
417	7. Recommend to the Legislature for the school to become a
418	residential public school.
419	8. Do and perform every other matter or thing requisite to
420	the proper management, maintenance, support, and control of the
421	school at the highest efficiency economically possible.
422	(f) The board of trustees shall:
423	1. Prepare and submit legislative budget requests for
424	operations and fixed capital outlay, in accordance with chapter
425	216 and ss. 1011.56 and 1013.60, to the Department of Education
426	for review and approval. The department must analyze the amount
427	requested for fixed capital outlay to determine if the request
428	is consistent with the school's campus master plan, educational
429	plant survey, and facilities master plan.
430	2. Approve and administer an annual operating budget in
431	accordance with ss. 1011.56 and 1011.57.
432	3. Require all purchases to be in accordance with chapter
433	287 except for purchases made with funds received as gifts,
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434	donations, or bequests or funds raised by or belonging to
435	student clubs or student organizations.
436	4. Administer and maintain personnel programs for all
437	employees of the board of trustees and the Florida School for
438	Competitive Academics, who shall be school employees, including
439	the personnel.
440	5. Ensure that the Florida School for Competitive
441	Academics complies with s. 1013.351 concerning the coordination
442	of planning between the Florida School for Competitive Academics
443	and local governing bodies.
444	6. Ensure that the Florida School for Competitive
445	Academics complies with s. 112.061 concerning per diem and
446	travel expenses.
447	7. Adopt a master plan that specifies the objectives of
448	the Florida School for Competitive Academics. The plan must be
449	for a period of 5 years and must be reviewed for needed
450	modifications every 2 years. The board of trustees shall submit
451	the initial plan and subsequent modifications to the President
452	of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
453	(4) STUDENT AND EMPLOYEE RECORDS The board of trustees
454	shall provide for the content and custody of student and
455	employee personnel records. Student records are subject to s.
456	1002.22. Employee records are subject to s. 1012.31.
457	(5) PERSONNEL

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458 (a) The Florida School for Competitive Academics Board of	
459 Trustees shall require all employees and applicants for	
460 employment to undergo background screening as provided in s.	
461 1012.32 as a condition of employment and continued employment.	
462 Members of the board of trustees must also undergo background	
463 screening in accordance with the relevant provisions of s.	
464 1012.32. An individual may not be employed as an employee or	
465 <u>contract personnel of the school or serve as a member of the</u>	
466 board of trustees if the individual is on the disqualification	
467 list maintained by the department pursuant to s. 1001.10(4)(b).	
(b) In accordance with law and rules of the State Board of	:
469 Education, the board of trustees shall administer and maintain	
470 personnel programs for all employees of the board of trustees	
471 and the Florida School for Competitive Academics. The board of	
472 trustees may adopt rules, policies, and procedures related to	
473 the appointment, employment, and removal of personnel.	
474 <u>1. The board of trustees shall determine the compensation</u> ,	<u>, </u>
475 including salaries and fringe benefits, and other conditions of	
476 employment for such personnel.	
477 <u>2. Classroom teachers employed by the school must be</u>	
478 certified pursuant to chapter 1012.	
479 <u>3. Each person employed by the board of trustees in an</u>	
480 academic, administrative, or instructional capacity with the	
481 Florida School for Competitive Academics is entitled to a	
482 contract as provided by rules of the board of trustees.	
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483	4. All employees, except temporary, seasonal, and student
484	employees, may be provided Florida Retirement System benefits
485	from the school through operational costs.
486	(6) FUNDING.—
487	(a) The Florida School for Competitive Academics shall
488	receive state funds for operating purposes as provided in the
489	General Appropriations Act.
490	(b) In addition to the funds provided in the General
491	Appropriations Act, the Florida School for Competitive Academics
492	may receive other funds from grants and donations.
493	(7) AUDITSThe Auditor General shall conduct audits of
494	the accounts and records of the Florida School for Competitive
495	Academics as provided in s. 11.45. The Department of Education's
496	Inspector General is authorized to conduct investigations at the
497	school as provided in s. 1001.20(4)(e).
498	(8) EXEMPTION FROM STATUTES
499	(a) The Florida School for Competitive Academics is exempt
500	from all statutes in chapters 1000-1013. However, the Florida
501	School for Competitive Academics shall be in compliance with the
502	following statutes in chapters 1000-1013:
503	1. This section.
504	2. Those statutes pertaining to the student assessment
505	program and school grading system.
506	3. Those statutes pertaining to the provision of services
507	to students with disabilities.
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4. Those statutes pertaining to civil rights, including,
but not limited to, s. 1000.05, relating to discrimination.
5. Those statutes pertaining to student health, safety,
and welfare.
(b) Additionally, the Florida School for Competitive
Academics shall be in compliance with the following statutes:
1. Section 286.011, relating to public meetings and
records, public inspection, and criminal and civil penalties.
2. Chapter 119, relating to public records.
3. Section 1006.12, relating to safe-school officers.
4. Section 1006.07(7), relating to threat assessment
teams.
5. Section 1006.07(9), relating to school environmental
safety incident reporting.
6. Section 1006.07(10), relating to reporting of
involuntary examinations.
7. Section 1006.1493, relating to the Florida Safe Schools
Assessment Tool.
8. Section 1006.07(6)(d), relating to adopting active
assailant response plans.
9. Section 943.082(4)(b), relating to the mobile
suspicious activity reporting tool.
10. Section 1012.584, relating to youth mental health
awareness and assistance training.
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532	11. Section 1003.4282, relating to requirements for a
533	standard high school diploma.
534	12. Section 1003.03(1), relating to class size maximums.
535	13.a. Section 1011.61, relating to instructional hours
536	requirements.
537	b. Notwithstanding sub-subparagraph a., the school may
538	provide instruction that exceeds the minimum time requirements
539	for the purposes of offering a summer program.
540	(c) For purposes of this subsection:
541	1. The duties assigned to a district school superintendent
542	apply to the director of the Florida School for Competitive
543	Academics.
544	2. The duties assigned to a district school board apply to
545	the board of trustees.
546	Section 15. Paragraphs (e) and (f) of subsection (3) of
547	section 1002.37, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
548	1002.37 The Florida Virtual School
549	(3) Funding for the Florida Virtual School shall be
550	provided as follows:
551	(e) The <u>comparable wage factor</u> district cost differential
552	as provided in s. 1011.62(2) shall be established as 1.000.
553	(f) The Florida Virtual School shall receive state funds
554	for operating purposes as provided in the General Appropriations
555	Act. The calculation to determine the amount of state funds
556	includes: the sum of the <u>basic amount for current operations</u>
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557 established in s. 1011.62(1)(s), the discretionary millage 558 compression supplement established in s. 1011.62(5) base Florida 559 Education Finance Program funding, the state-funded discretionary contribution established in s. 1011.62(6), and a 560 561 per-full-time equivalent share of the discretionary millage 562 compression supplement, the exceptional student education 563 guaranteed allocation established in s. 1011.62(8), and the 564 mental health assistance allocation established in s. 565 1011.62(13) the instructional materials allocation, the 566 evidence-based reading instruction allocation, the mental health 567 assistance allocation, and the teacher salary increase 568 allocation. For the purpose of calculating the state-funded 569 discretionary contribution, multiply the maximum allowable 570 nonvoted discretionary millage for operations pursuant to s. 571 1011.71(1) and (3) by the value of 96 percent of the current 572 year's taxable value for school purposes for the state; divide 573 the result by the total full-time equivalent membership of the state; and multiply the result by the full-time equivalent 574 575 membership of the school. Funds may not be provided for the 576 purpose of fulfilling the class size requirements in ss. 1003.03 577 and 1011.685. 578 Section 16. Subsection (12) of section 1002.394, Florida 579 Statutes, as amended by chapter 2023-16, Laws of Florida, is amended to read: 580 1002.394 The Family Empowerment Scholarship Program.-581

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(12)SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING AND PAYMENT.-

(a)1. Scholarships for students determined eligible 583 pursuant to paragraph (3)(a) may be funded once all scholarships have been funded in accordance with s. 1002.395(6)(1)2. The calculated scholarship amount for a participating student determined eligible pursuant to paragraph (3) (a) shall be based upon the grade level and school district in which the student was assigned as 100 percent of the funds per unweighted fulltime equivalent in the Florida Education Finance Program for a student in the basic program established pursuant to s. 1011.62(1)(c)1., plus a per-full-time equivalent share of funds for the all categorical programs established in s. 1011.62(5), (7)(a), and (16), as funded in the General Appropriations Act_{τ} except for the exceptional student education guaranteed allocation established pursuant to s. 1011.62(1)(e).

2. A scholarship of \$750 or an amount equal to the school district expenditure per student riding a school bus, as determined by the department, whichever is greater, may be awarded to an eligible student who is enrolled in a Florida public school that is different from the school to which the 602 student was assigned or in a lab school as defined in s. 1002.32 603 if the school district does not provide the student with 604 transportation to the school.

605 3. The organization must provide the department with the documentation necessary to verify the student's participation. 606 150157

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Upon receiving the documentation, the department shall transfer, 607 beginning August 1, from state funds only, the amount calculated 608 609 pursuant to subparagraph 2. to the organization for quarterly disbursement to parents of participating students each school 610 611 year in which the scholarship is in force. For a student exiting 612 a Department of Juvenile Justice commitment program who chooses 613 to participate in the scholarship program, the amount of the 614 Family Empowerment Scholarship calculated pursuant to 615 subparagraph 2. must be transferred from the school district in 616 which the student last attended a public school before 617 commitment to the Department of Juvenile Justice. When a student 618 enters the scholarship program, the organization must receive 619 all documentation required for the student's participation, 620 including the private school's and the student's fee schedules, 621 at least 30 days before the first quarterly scholarship payment 622 is made for the student.

623 4. The initial payment shall be made after the 624 organization's verification of admission acceptance, and 625 subsequent payments shall be made upon verification of continued 626 enrollment and attendance at the private school. Payment must be 627 by funds transfer or any other means of payment that the 628 department deems to be commercially viable or cost-effective. An 629 organization shall ensure that the parent has approved a funds 630 transfer before any scholarship funds are deposited.

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5. An organization may not transfer any funds to an
account of a student determined eligible pursuant to paragraph
(3)(a) which has a balance in excess of \$24,000.

634 (b)1. Scholarships for students determined eligible 635 pursuant to paragraph (3) (b) are established for up to 26,500 636 students annually beginning in the 2022-2023 school year. 637 Beginning in the 2023-2024 school year, the maximum number of 638 students participating in the scholarship program under this 639 section shall annually increase by 3.0 percent of the state's 640 total exceptional student education full-time equivalent student 641 membership, not including gifted students. An eligible student 642 who meets any of the following requirements shall be excluded 643 from the maximum number of students if the student:

a. Received specialized instructional services under the
Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program pursuant to s.
1002.66 during the previous school year and the student has a
current IEP developed by the district school board in accordance
with rules of the State Board of Education;

b. Is a dependent child of a law enforcement officer or a
member of the United States Armed Forces, a foster child, or an
adopted child; or

c. Spent the prior school year in attendance at a Florida
public school or the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind.
For purposes of this subparagraph, the term "prior school year

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655 in attendance" means that the student was enrolled and reported 656 by:

(I) A school district for funding during either the preceding October or February full-time equivalent student membership surveys in kindergarten through grade 12, which includes time spent in a Department of Juvenile Justice commitment program if funded under the Florida Education Finance Program;

(II) The Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind during the preceding October or February full-time equivalent student membership surveys in kindergarten through grade 12;

(III) A school district for funding during the preceding
October or February full-time equivalent student membership
surveys, was at least 4 years of age when enrolled and reported,
and was eligible for services under s. 1003.21(1)(e); or

(IV) Received a John M. McKay Scholarship for Studentswith Disabilities in the 2021-2022 school year.

For a student who has a Level I to Level III matrix of 672 2. 673 services or a diagnosis by a physician or psychologist, the 674 calculated scholarship amount for a student participating in the program must be based upon the grade level and school district 675 676 in which the student would have been enrolled as the total funds 677 per unweighted full-time equivalent in the Florida Education 678 Finance Program for a student in the basic exceptional student education program pursuant to s. 1011.62(1)(c) and (d) s. 679 150157

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1011.62(1)(c)1. and (c)1.c., plus a per full-time equivalent 680 share of funds for the all categorical programs established in 681 682 s. 1011.62(5), (7)(a), (8), and (16), as funded in the General 683 Appropriations Act. For the categorical program established, as 684 funded in the General Appropriations Act, except that for the 685 exceptional student education guaranteed allocation, as provided 686 in s. 1011.62(8) s. 1011.62(1)(e)1.c. and 2., the funds must be 687 allocated based on the school district's average exceptional 688 student education quaranteed allocation funds per exceptional 689 student education full-time equivalent student.

690 3. For a student with a Level IV or Level V matrix of 691 services, the calculated scholarship amount must be based upon 692 the school district to which the student would have been 693 assigned as the total funds per full-time equivalent for the 694 Level IV or Level V exceptional student education program 695 pursuant to s. 1011.62(1)(c)2.a. or b., plus a per-full time 696 equivalent share of funds for the all categorical programs established in s. 1011.62(5), (7)(a), and (16), as funded in the 697 698 General Appropriations Act.

699 4. For a student who received a Gardiner Scholarship 700 pursuant to s. 1002.385 in the 2020-2021 school year, the amount 701 shall be the greater of the amount calculated pursuant to 702 subparagraph 2. or the amount the student received for the 2020-703 2021 school year.

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5. For a student who received a John M. McKay Scholarship pursuant to s. 1002.39 in the 2020-2021 school year, the amount shall be the greater of the amount calculated pursuant to subparagraph 2. or the amount the student received for the 2020-2021 school year.

709 6. The organization must provide the department with the710 documentation necessary to verify the student's participation.

711 7. Upon receiving the documentation, the department shall 712 release, from state funds only, the student's scholarship funds 713 to the organization, to be deposited into the student's account 714 in four equal amounts no later than September 1, November 1, 715 February 1, and April 1 of each school year in which the 716 scholarship is in force.

8. Accrued interest in the student's account is in
addition to, and not part of, the awarded funds. Program funds
include both the awarded funds and accrued interest.

720 9. The organization may develop a system for payment of benefits by funds transfer, including, but not limited to, debit 721 722 cards, electronic payment cards, or any other means of payment 723 which the department deems to be commercially viable or cost-724 effective. A student's scholarship award may not be reduced for 725 debit card or electronic payment fees. Commodities or services 726 related to the development of such a system must be procured by 727 competitive solicitation unless they are purchased from a state term contract pursuant to s. 287.056. 728

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729 10. An organization may not transfer any funds to an
730 account of a student determined to be eligible pursuant to
731 paragraph (3)(b) which has a balance in excess of \$50,000.
732 11. Moneys received pursuant to this section do not

733 constitute taxable income to the qualified student or the parent 734 of the qualified student.

Section 17. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) and paragraph
(b) of subsection (6) of section 1002.45, Florida Statutes, are
amended to read:

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1002.45 Virtual instruction programs.-

- 739 (1) PROGRAM.-
- 740

(e) Each school district shall:

741 1. Provide to the department by each October 1, a copy of 742 each contract and the amount paid per unweighted full-time 743 equivalent virtual student for services procured pursuant to 744 subparagraphs (c)1. and 2.

745 Expend any difference in the amount of funds per 2. 746 unweighted full-time equivalent virtual student allocated to the 747 school district pursuant to subsection (6) and the amount paid per unweighted full-time equivalent virtual student by the 748 749 school district for a contract executed pursuant to subparagraph 750 (c)1. or subparagraph (c)2. on acquiring computer and device 751 hardware and associated operating system software that comply 752 with the requirements of s. 1001.20(4)(a)1.b.

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753 Provide to the department by September 1 of each year 3. 754 an itemized list of items acquired in subparagraph 2. 755 4. Limit the enrollment of full-time equivalent virtual 756 students residing outside of the school district providing the 757 virtual instruction pursuant to paragraph (c) to no more than 758 those that can be funded from state Florida Education Finance 759 Program funds 50 percent of the total enrolled full-time equivalent virtual students residing inside the school district 760 providing the virtual instruction. This subparagraph applies to 761 762 any virtual instruction contract or agreement that is entered 763 into for the first time after June 30, 2021. However, a school 764 district may not enroll more full-time equivalent virtual 765 students residing outside of the school district than the total 766 number of reported full-time equivalent students residing inside 767 the school district. 768 (6) VIRTUAL INSTRUCTION PROGRAM AND VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL

768 (6) VIRTUAL INSTRUCTION PROGRAM AND VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL 769 FUNDING.-

770 Students enrolled in a virtual instruction program (b) 771 shall be funded in the Florida Education Finance Program as 772 provided in the General Appropriations Act. The calculation to 773 determine the amount of funds for each student through the 774 Florida Education Finance Program shall include the sum of the 775 basic amount for current operations established in base Florida 776 Education Finance Program pursuant to s. 1011.62(1)(s) and all 777 categorical programs except for the categorical programs 150157

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778 established <u>in ss. 1011.62(7), (12), and (16), 1011.68, and</u> 779 <u>1011.685</u> pursuant to ss. 1011.62(1)(f), (7), and (13); 1011.68; 780 1011.685; and 1012.71. Students residing outside of the school 781 district reporting the full-time equivalent virtual student 782 shall be funded from state funds only.

783 Section 18. Subsection (1) of section 1002.59, Florida784 Statutes, is amended to read:

785 1002.59 Emergent literacy and performance standards 786 training courses.—

787 (1)The department, in collaboration with the Just Read, 788 Florida! Office, shall adopt minimum standards for courses in 789 emergent literacy for prekindergarten instructors. Each course 790 must comprise 5 clock hours and provide instruction in 791 strategies and techniques to address the age-appropriate 792 progress of prekindergarten students in developing emergent 793 literacy skills, including oral communication, knowledge of 794 print and letters, phonological and phonemic awareness, and 795 vocabulary and comprehension development, consistent with the 796 evidence-based content and strategies identified pursuant to s. 797 1001.215(7) s. 1001.215(8). The course standards must be 798 reviewed as part of any review of subject coverage or 799 endorsement requirements in the elementary, reading, and 800 exceptional student educational areas conducted pursuant to s. 801 1012.586. Each course must also provide resources containing strategies that allow students with disabilities and other 802 150157

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803 special needs to derive maximum benefit from the Voluntary 804 Prekindergarten Education Program. Successful completion of an 805 emergent literacy training course approved under this section 806 satisfies requirements for approved training in early literacy 807 and language development under ss. 402.305(2)(e)5., 402.313(6), 808 and 402.3131(5).

809 Section 19. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 810 1002.71, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

811 1002.71 Funding; financial and attendance reporting.812 (3)

813 Each county's allocation per full-time equivalent (b) 814 student in the Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program shall 815 be calculated annually by multiplying the base student 816 allocation provided in the General Appropriations Act by the 817 county's comparable wage factor district cost differential 818 provided in s. 1011.62(2). Each private prekindergarten provider 819 and public school shall be paid in accordance with the county's 820 allocation per full-time equivalent student.

821 Section 20. Paragraph (a) of subsection (17) of section822 1002.84, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

823 1002.84 Early learning coalitions; school readiness powers 824 and duties.—Each early learning coalition shall:

825 (17)(a) Distribute the school readiness program funds as
826 allocated in the General Appropriations Act to the eligible
827 providers using the following methodology:

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828 1. For each county in the early learning coalition, multiply the cost of care by care level as provided in s. 829 830 1002.90 by the county's comparable wage factor district cost 831 differential provided in s. 1011.62(2). 832 If a county enacted a local ordinance before January 1, 2. 833 2022, that establishes the county's staff-to-children ratio for 834 licensed child care facilities below the ratio established in s. 835 402.305(4), multiply the provider reimbursement rates for that 836 county by the adjustment factor specified in the General 837 Appropriations Act. 838 Apply the weight established pursuant to s. 1002.90 for 3. 839 each provider type to calculate the minimum provider 840 reimbursement rates by care level. 841 4. Multiply the weighted provider reimbursement rates by 842 22 percent to determine the amount of the school readiness 843 allocation an early learning coalition is eligible to retain 844 pursuant to s. 1002.89(4). 845 846 Each early learning coalition with approved minimum provider 847 reimbursement rates for the infant to age 5 care levels that are higher than the minimum provider reimbursement rates established 848 849 in this subsection may continue to implement its approved 850 minimum provider reimbursement rates until the rates established

851 in this subsection exceed its approved rates.

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852 Section 21. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 1002.89, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 853 854 1002.89 School readiness program; funding.-855 DETERMINATION OF EARLY LEARNING COALITION SCHOOL (1)856 READINESS PROGRAM FUNDING.-Funding for the school readiness 857 program shall be used by the early learning coalitions in 858 accordance with this part and the General Appropriations Act. 859 School readiness program allocation.-If the annual (a) 860 allocation for the school readiness program is not determined in 861 the General Appropriations Act or the substantive bill 862 implementing the General Appropriations Act, it shall be 863 determined as follows: 864 1. For each county in the early learning coalition, the 865 total school readiness eligible population, as adopted by the 866 Early Learning Programs Estimating Conference pursuant to s. 867 216.136(8), shall be multiplied by the county's comparable wage 868 factor district cost differential provided in s. 1011.62(2). 869 If a county passed a local ordinance before January 1, 2. 870 2022, that establishes the county's staff-to-children ratio for 871 licensed child care facilities below the ratio established in s. 872 402.305(4), multiply the product calculated in subparagraph 1. 873 by the adjustment factor specified in the General Appropriations 874 Act.

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875	3. Each county's school readiness allocation shall be
876	based on the county's proportionate share of the total adjusted
877	eligible school readiness population.
878	Section 22. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section
879	1002.995, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
880	1002.995 Early learning professional development standards
881	and career pathways
882	(1) The department shall:
883	(c) Subject to the appropriation of funds by the
884	Legislature, provide incentives to school readiness personnel
885	who meet the requirements of s. 1002.88(1)(e) and
886	prekindergarten instructors who meet the requirements specified
887	in s. 1002.55, s. 1002.61, or s. 1002.63 and who possess a
888	reading certification or endorsement or a literacy micro-
889	credential as specified in s. 1003.485 and teach students in the
890	school readiness program or the voluntary prekindergarten
891	education program <u>or work in a child care or early learning</u>
892	setting.
893	Section 23. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section
894	1003.03, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
895	1003.03 Maximum class size
896	(4) ACCOUNTABILITY
897	(a) If the department determines that the number of
898	students assigned to any individual class exceeds the class size
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899 maximum, as required in subsection (1), based upon the October 900 student membership survey, the department shall:

901 1. Identify, for each grade group, the number of classes 902 in which the number of students exceeds the maximum and the 903 total number of students which exceeds the maximum for all 904 classes.

905 2. Determine the number of FTE students which exceeds the906 maximum for each grade group.

907 3. Multiply the total number of FTE students which exceeds 908 the maximum for each grade group by the district's FTE dollar 909 amount of the class size categorical allocation for that year 910 and calculate the total for all three grade groups.

911 4. Multiply the total number of FTE students which exceeds 912 the maximum for all classes by an amount equal to 50 percent of 913 the base student allocation adjusted by the district cost 914 differential for each of the 2010-2011 through 2013-2014 fiscal 915 years and by an amount equal to the base student allocation 916 adjusted by the <u>comparable wage factor</u> district cost 917 differential in the 2014-2015 fiscal year and thereafter.

918 5. Reduce the district's class size categorical allocation 919 by an amount equal to the sum of the calculations in 920 subparagraphs 3. and 4.

921 Section 24. Section 1003.4201, Florida Statutes, is 922 created to read:

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923	<u>1003.4201 Comprehensive system of reading instruction</u>
924	Each school district must implement a system of comprehensive
925	reading instruction for students enrolled in the prekindergarten
926	through grade 12 and certain students who exhibit a substantial
927	deficiency in early literacy.
928	(1) Each school district must develop, and submit to the
929	district school board for approval, a detailed reading
930	instruction plan that outlines the components of the district's
931	comprehensive system of reading instruction. The plan must
932	include all district schools, including charter schools, unless
933	a charter school elects to submit a plan independently from the
934	school district. A charter school plan must comply with all of
935	the provisions of this section and must be approved by the
936	charter school's governing body and provided to the charter
937	school's sponsor.
938	(2)(a) Components of the reading instruction plan may
939	include the following:
940	1. Additional time per day of evidence-based intensive
941	reading instruction for kindergarten through grade 12 students,
942	which may be delivered during or outside of the regular school
943	day.
944	2. Highly qualified reading coaches, who must be endorsed
945	in reading, to specifically support classroom teachers in making
946	instructional decisions based on progress monitoring data
947	collected pursuant to s. 1008.25(8) and improve classroom
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948	teacher delivery of effective reading instruction, reading
949	intervention, and reading in the content areas based on student
950	need.
951	3. Professional development to help instructional
952	personnel and certified prekindergarten teachers funded in the
953	Florida Education Finance Program earn a certification, a
954	credential, an endorsement, or an advanced degree in
955	scientifically researched and evidence-based reading
956	instruction.
957	4. Summer reading camps, using only classroom teachers or
958	other district personnel who possess a micro-credential as
959	specified in s. 1003.485 or are certified or endorsed in reading
960	consistent with s. 1008.25(7)(b)3., for all students in
961	kindergarten through grade 5 exhibiting a reading deficiency as
962	determined by district and state assessments.
963	5. Incentives for instructional personnel and certified
964	prekindergarten teachers funded in the Florida Education Finance
965	Program who possess a reading certification or endorsement or
966	micro-credential as specified in s. 1003.485 and provide
967	educational support to improve student literacy.
968	6. Tutoring in reading.
969	(b) Each school district must include in its reading
970	instruction plan the planned school year expenditures for each
971	component of such plan.

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972	(3) Each school district shall submit its approved reading
973	instruction plan, including approved reading instruction plans
974	for each charter school in the district, to the Department of
975	Education by August 1 of each fiscal year.
976	(4) The department shall evaluate the implementation of
977	each school district reading instruction plan, including
978	conducting site visits and collecting specific data on reading
979	improvement results.
980	(5) By February 1 of each year, the department shall
981	report its findings to the Legislature and the State Board of
982	Education, including any recommendations for improving
983	implementation of evidence-based intensive reading and
984	intervention strategies in the classroom.
985	(6) For purposes of this section, the term "evidence-
986	based" means demonstrating a statistically significant effect on
987	improving student outcomes or other relevant outcomes as
988	provided in 20 U.S.C. s. 8101(21)(A)(i).
989	Section 25. Paragraphs (g) and (h) of subsection (4) of
990	section 1003.485, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
991	1003.485 The New Worlds Reading Initiative
992	(4) ADMINISTRATOR RESPONSIBILITIES The administrator
993	shall:
994	(g) Develop a micro-credential that requires teachers to
995	demonstrate competency to:
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 Diagnose literacy difficulties and determine the appropriate range of literacy interventions based upon the age and literacy deficiency of the student;

2. Use evidence-based instructional and intervention practices, including strategies identified by the Just Read, Florida! Office pursuant to <u>s. 1001.215(7)</u> s. 1001.215(8); and

3. Effectively use progress monitoring and intervention
 materials.

(h) Administer the early literacy micro-credential program
established under this section, which must include components on
content, student learning, pedagogy, and professional
development and must build on a strong foundation of
scientifically researched and evidence-based reading
instructional and intervention programs that incorporate
explicit, systematic, and sequential approaches to teaching
phonemic awareness, phonics, vocabulary, fluency, and text
comprehension and incorporate decodable or phonetic text
instructional strategies, as identified by the Just Read,
Florida! Office, pursuant to s. 1001.215(7) s. 1001.215(8).

1. At a minimum, the micro-credential curriculum must be designed specifically for instructional personnel in prekindergarten through grade 3 based upon the strategies and techniques identified in s. 1002.59 and address foundational literacy skills of students in grades 4 through 12.

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1020 2. The micro-credential must be competency based and 1021 designed for eligible instructional personnel to complete the 1022 credentialing process in no more than 60 hours, in an online 1023 format. The micro-credential may be delivered in an in-person 1024 format. Eligible instructional personnel may receive the micro-1025 credential once competency is demonstrated even if it is prior 1026 to the completion of 60 hours.

3. The micro-credential must be available by December 31, 2022, at no cost, to instructional personnel as defined in s. 1029 1012.01(2); prekindergarten instructors as specified in ss. 1030 1002.55, 1002.61, and 1002.63; and child care personnel as defined in ss. 402.302(3) and 1002.88(1)(e).

1032Section 26. Paragraphs (g) and (j) of subsection (2) of1033section 1003.621, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1034 1003.621 Academically high-performing school districts.-It 1035 is the intent of the Legislature to recognize and reward school 1036 districts that demonstrate the ability to consistently maintain 1037 or improve their high-performing status. The purpose of this 1038 section is to provide high-performing school districts with 1039 flexibility in meeting the specific requirements in statute and 1040 rules of the State Board of Education.

1041 (2) COMPLIANCE WITH STATUTES AND RULES.—Each academically 1042 high-performing school district shall comply with all of the 1043 provisions in chapters 1000-1013, and rules of the State Board

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1044 of Education which implement these provisions, pertaining to the 1045 following:

1046 Those statutes pertaining to planning and budgeting, (q) 1047 including chapter 1011, except s. 1003.4201 s. 1011.62(8)(e), 1048 relating to the requirement for a comprehensive system of 1049 reading instruction plan. A district that is exempt from 1050 submitting a comprehensive reading plan shall be deemed approved 1051 to receive the evidence-based reading instruction allocation. 1052 Each academically high-performing school district may provide up 1053 to 2 days of virtual instruction as part of the required 180 1054 actual teaching days or the equivalent on an hourly basis each 1055 school year, as specified by rules of the State Board of 1056 Education. Virtual instruction that is conducted in accordance 1057 with the plan approved by the department, is teacher-developed, 1058 and is aligned with the standards for enrolled courses complies 1059 with s. 1011.60(2). The day or days must be indicated on the 1060 calendar approved by the school board. The district shall submit 1061 a plan for each day of virtual instruction to the department for 1062 approval, in a format prescribed by the department, with 1063 assurances of alignment to statewide student standards as 1064 described in s. 1003.41 before the start of each school year.

(j) Those statutes relating to instructional materials, except that s. 1006.37, relating to the requisition of stateadopted materials from the depository under contract with the publisher, and s. 1006.40(3)(b), relating to the <u>purchase</u> use of 150157

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1069 50 percent of the instructional materials allocation, shall be 1070 eligible for exemption.

1071 Section 27. Subsection (7) of section 1004.935, Florida 1072 Statutes, is amended to read:

1073 1004.935 Adults with Disabilities Workforce Education 1074 Program.-

1075 (7) Funds for the scholarship shall be provided from the 1076 appropriation from the school district's Workforce Development 1077 Fund in the General Appropriations Act for students who reside 1078 in the Hardee County School District, the DeSoto County School 1079 District, the Manatee County School District, or the Sarasota 1080 County School District. The scholarship amount granted for an 1081 eligible student with a disability shall be equal to the cost 1082 per unit of a full-time equivalent adult general education 1083 student, multiplied by the adult general education funding 1084 factor, and multiplied by the comparable wage factor district 1085 cost differential pursuant to the formula required by s. 1086 1011.80(7)(a) for the district in which the student resides.

1087 Section 28. Section 1006.041, Florida Statutes, is created 1088 to read:

10891006.041Mental health assistance program.—Each school1090district must implement a school-based mental health assistance1091program that includes training classroom teachers and other1092school staff in detecting and responding to mental health issues

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1093	and connecting children, youth, and families who may experience
1094	behavioral health issues with appropriate services.
1095	(1) Each school district must develop, and submit to the
1096	district school board for approval, a detailed plan outlining
1097	the components and planned expenditures of the district's mental
1098	health assistance program. The plan must include all district
1099	schools, including charter schools, unless a charter school
1100	elects to submit a plan independently from the school district.
1101	<u>A charter school plan must comply with all of the provisions of</u>
1102	this section and must be approved by the charter school's
1103	governing body and provided to the charter school's sponsor.
1104	(2) A plan required under subsection (1) must be focused
1105	on a multitiered system of supports to deliver evidence-based
1106	mental health care assessment, diagnosis, intervention,
1107	treatment, and recovery services to students with one or more
1108	mental health or co-occurring substance abuse diagnoses and to
1109	students at high risk of such diagnoses. The provision of these
1110	services must be coordinated with a student's primary mental
1111	health care provider and with other mental health providers
1112	involved in the student's care. At a minimum, the plan must
1113	include all of the following components:
1114	(a) Direct employment of school-based mental health
1115	services providers to expand and enhance school-based student
1116	services and to reduce the ratio of students to staff in order
1117	to better align with nationally recommended ratio models. The
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1118	providers shall include, but are not limited to, certified
1119	school counselors, school psychologists, school social workers,
1120	and other licensed mental health professionals. The plan must
1121	also identify strategies to increase the amount of time that
1122	school-based student services personnel spend providing direct
1123	services to students, which may include the review and revision
1124	of district staffing resource allocations based on school or
1125	student mental health assistance needs.
1126	(b) Contracts or interagency agreements with one or more
1127	local community behavioral health providers or providers of
1128	Community Action Team services to provide a behavioral health
1129	staff presence and services at district schools. Services may
1130	include, but are not limited to, mental health screenings and
1131	assessments, individual counseling, family counseling, group
1132	counseling, psychiatric or psychological services, trauma-
1133	informed care, mobile crisis services, and behavior
1134	modification. These behavioral health services may be provided
1135	on or off the school campus and may be supplemented by
1136	telehealth as defined in s. 456.47(1).
1137	(c) Policies and procedures, including contracts with
1138	service providers, which will ensure that:
1139	1. Students referred to a school-based or community-based
1140	mental health service provider for mental health screening for
1141	the identification of mental health concerns and students at
1142	risk for mental health disorders are assessed within 15 days
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1143	after referral. School-based mental health services must be
1144	initiated within 15 days after identification and assessment,
1145	and support by community-based mental health service providers
1146	for students who are referred for community-based mental health
1147	services must be initiated within 30 days after the school or
1148	district makes a referral.
1149	2. Parents of a student receiving services under this
1150	subsection are provided information about other behavioral
1151	health services available through the student's school or local
1152	community-based behavioral health services providers. A school
1153	may meet this requirement by providing information about and
1154	Internet addresses for web-based directories or guides for local
1155	behavioral health services.
1156	3. Individuals living in a household with a student
1157	receiving services under this subsection are provided
1158	information about behavioral health services available through
1159	other delivery systems or payors for which such individuals may
1160	qualify, if such services appear to be needed or enhancements in
1161	such individuals' behavioral health would contribute to the
1162	improved well-being of the student.
1163	(d) Strategies or programs to reduce the likelihood of at-
1164	risk students developing social, emotional, or behavioral health
1165	problems, depression, anxiety disorders, suicidal tendencies, or
1166	substance use disorders.

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1167	(e) Strategies to improve the early identification of
1168	social, emotional, or behavioral problems or substance use
1169	disorders, to improve the provision of early intervention
1170	services, and to assist students in dealing with trauma and
1171	violence.
1172	(f) Procedures to assist a mental health services provider
1173	or a behavioral health provider as described in paragraph (a) or
1174	paragraph (b), respectively, or a school resource officer or
1175	school safety officer who has completed mental health crisis
1176	intervention training in attempting to verbally de-escalate a
1177	student's crisis situation before initiating an involuntary
1178	examination pursuant to s. 394.463. Such procedures must include
1179	strategies to de-escalate a crisis situation for a student with
1180	a developmental disability as defined in s. 393.063.
1181	(g) Policies of the school district which must require
1182	that in a student crisis situation, school or law enforcement
1183	personnel must make a reasonable attempt to contact a mental
1184	health professional who may initiate an involuntary examination
1185	pursuant to s. 394.463, unless the child poses an imminent
1186	danger to themselves or others, before initiating an involuntary
1187	examination pursuant to s. 394.463. Such contact may be in
1188	person or through telehealth. The mental health professional may
1189	be available to the school district either by a contract or
1190	interagency agreement with the managing entity, one or more
1191	local community-based behavioral health providers, or the local
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1192	mobile response team, or be a direct or contracted school
1193	district employee.
1194	(3) Each school district shall submit its approved plan,
1195	including approved plans of each charter school in the district,
1196	to the Department of Education by August 1 of each fiscal year.
1197	(4) Annually by September 30, each school district shall
1198	submit to the Department of Education a report on its program
1199	outcomes and expenditures for the previous fiscal year that, at
1200	a minimum, must include the total number of each of the
1201	following:
1202	(a) Students who receive screenings or assessments.
1203	(b) Students who are referred to school-based or
1204	community-based providers for services or assistance.
1205	(c) Students who receive school-based or community-based
1206	interventions, services, or assistance.
1207	(d) School-based and community-based mental health
1208	providers, including licensure type.
1209	(e) Contract-based or interagency agreement-based
1210	collaborative efforts or partnerships with community-based
1211	mental health programs, agencies, or providers.
1212	Section 29. Paragraph (b) of subsection (6) of section
1213	1006.07, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
1214	1006.07 District school board duties relating to student
1215	discipline and school safetyThe district school board shall
1216	provide for the proper accounting for all students, for the
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1217 attendance and control of students at school, and for proper 1218 attention to health, safety, and other matters relating to the 1219 welfare of students, including:

(6) SAFETY AND SECURITY BEST PRACTICES.—Each district school superintendent shall establish policies and procedures for the prevention of violence on school grounds, including the assessment of and intervention with individuals whose behavior poses a threat to the safety of the school community.

(b) Mental health coordinator.-Each district school board shall identify a mental health coordinator for the district. The mental health coordinator shall serve as the district's primary point of contact regarding the district's coordination, communication, and implementation of student mental health policies, procedures, responsibilities, and reporting, including:

1232 1. Coordinating with the Office of Safe Schools, 1233 established pursuant to s. 1001.212.

1234 2. Maintaining records and reports regarding student 1235 mental health as it relates to <u>the mental health assistance</u> 1236 <u>program under s. 1006.041 and</u> school safety and the mental 1237 health assistance allocation under s. 1011.62(14).

1238 3. Facilitating the implementation of school district 1239 policies relating to the respective duties and responsibilities 1240 of the school district, the superintendent, and district school 1241 principals.

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1242 Coordinating with the school safety specialist on the 4. 1243 staffing and training of threat assessment teams and 1244 facilitating referrals to mental health services, as 1245 appropriate, for students and their families. 1246 Coordinating with the school safety specialist on the 5. 1247 training and resources for students and school district staff 1248 relating to youth mental health awareness and assistance. 1249 6. Reviewing annually the school district's policies and 1250 procedures related to student mental health for compliance with state law and alignment with current best practices and making 1251 1252 recommendations, as needed, for amending such policies and 1253 procedures to the superintendent and the district school board. 1254 Section 30. Subsection (3) of section 1006.1493, Florida 1255 Statutes, is amended to read: 1256 1006.1493 Florida Safe Schools Assessment Tool.-1257 (3)The Office of Safe Schools shall make the FSSAT 1258 available no later than May 1 of each year. 1259 (a) The office must provide annual training to each 1260 district's school safety specialist and other appropriate school 1261 district personnel on the assessment of physical site security 1262 and completing the FSSAT. 1263 (b) Each school district must annually report to the 1264 office by October 15 that all public schools within the school 1265 district have completed the FSSAT. 150157

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1266 Section 31. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 1267 1006.28, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (c) is 1268 added to subsection (3) of that section, to read: 1269 1006.28 Duties of district school board, district school 1270 superintendent; and school principal regarding K-12 instructional materials.-1271 (1) DEFINITIONS.-1272 1273 (a) As used in this section, the term: 1274 1. "Adequate instructional materials" means a sufficient 1275 number of student or site licenses or sets of materials that are 1276 available in bound, unbound, kit, or package form and may 1277 consist of hardbacked or softbacked textbooks, electronic 1278 content, consumables, learning laboratories, manipulatives, 1279 electronic media, and computer courseware or software that serve 1280 as the basis for instruction for each student in the core 1281 subject areas of mathematics, language arts, social studies, 1282 science, reading, and literature. 1283 2. "Instructional materials" has the same meaning as in s. 1284 1006.29(2). 1285 3. "Library media center" means any collection of books, ebooks, periodicals, or videos maintained and accessible on the 1286 1287 site of a school, including in classrooms. 1288 (3) DISTRICT SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.-1289 (c) Annually by August 1, each district school 1290 superintendent shall certify to the Commissioner of Education 150157 Approved For Filing: 5/2/2023 12:28:06 PM

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1291	that the district school board has approved a comprehensive
1292	staff development plan that supports fidelity of implementation
1293	of instructional materials programs, including verification that
1294	training was provided, that the materials are being implemented
1295	as designed, and that core reading materials and reading
1296	intervention materials used in kindergarten through grade 5 meet
1297	the requirements of s. 1001.215(8). Such instructional
1298	materials, as evaluated and identified pursuant to s.
1299	1001.215(4), may be purchased by school districts without
1300	undergoing the adoption procedures in s. 1006.40(4)(b).
1301	Section 32. Section 1006.40, Florida Statutes, is amended
1302	to read:
1303	1006.40 <u>Purchase</u> Use of instructional materials
1304	allocation; instructional materials, library books, and
1305	reference books; repair of books
1306	(1) On or before July 1 each year, the commissioner shall
1307	certify to each district school superintendent <u>shall certify to</u>
1308	the Commissioner of Education the estimated allocation of state
1309	funds for instructional materials, computed pursuant to the
1310	provisions of s. 1011.67 for the ensuing fiscal year.
1311	(2) Each district school board must purchase current
1312	instructional materials to provide each student in kindergarten
1313	through grade 12 with a major tool of instruction in core
1314	courses of the subject areas of mathematics, language arts,
1315	science, social studies, reading, and literature. Such purchase
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1316 must be made within the first 3 years after the effective date 1317 of the adoption cycle unless a district school board or a 1318 consortium of school districts has implemented an instructional 1319 materials program pursuant to s. 1006.283.

(3) (a) Except for a school district or a consortium of school districts that implements an instructional materials program pursuant to s. 1006.283, each district school board shall use the annual allocation only for the purchase of instructional materials that align with state standards and are included on the state-adopted list, except as otherwise authorized in paragraphs (b) and (c).

(b) Up to 50 percent of the <u>amount the school district has</u> budgeted for instructional materials <u>annual allocation</u> may be used for:

The purchase of library and reference books and
 nonprint materials.

1332 The purchase of other materials having intellectual 2. 1333 content which assist in the instruction of a subject or course. 1334 These materials may be available in bound, unbound, kit, or 1335 package form and may consist of hardbacked or softbacked 1336 textbooks, novels, electronic content, consumables, learning 1337 laboratories, manipulatives, electronic media, computer 1338 courseware or software, and other commonly accepted 1339 instructional tools as prescribed by district school board rule.

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The repair and renovation of textbooks and library 1340 3. books and replacements for items which were part of previously 1341 1342 purchased instructional materials. (c) District school boards may use 100 percent of that 1343 1344 portion of the annual allocation designated for the purchase of 1345 instructional materials for kindergarten, and 75 percent of that 1346 portion of the annual allocation designated for the purchase of 1347 instructional materials for first grade, to purchase materials 1348 not on the state-adopted list.

1349 <u>(c)-(d)</u> Any materials purchased pursuant to this section 1350 must be:

Free of pornography and material prohibited under s.
 847.012.

1353 2. Suited to student needs and their ability to comprehend1354 the material presented.

1355 3. Appropriate for the grade level and age group for which1356 the materials are used or made available.

(4) Each district school board is responsible for the content of all materials used in a classroom or otherwise made available to students. Each district school board shall adopt rules, and each district school superintendent shall implement procedures, that:

1362 (a) Maximize student use of the district-approved1363 instructional materials.

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(b) Provide a process for public review of, public comment on, and the adoption of materials, including those used to provide instruction required by s. 1003.42, which satisfies the requirements of s. 1006.283(2)(b)8., 9., and 11.

1368 (5) District school boards may issue purchase orders 1369 subsequent to February 1 in an aggregate amount which does not 1370 exceed 20 percent of the current year's allocation, and 1371 subsequent to April 1 in an aggregate amount which does not 1372 exceed 90 percent of the current year's allocation, for the 1373 purpose of expediting the delivery of instructional materials 1374 which are to be paid for from the ensuing year's allocation. 1375 This subsection does not apply to a district school board or a 1376 consortium of school districts that implements an instructional 1377 materials program pursuant to s. 1006.283.

1378 (6) In any year in which the total instructional materials 1379 allocation for a school district has not been expended or 1380 obligated prior to June 30, the district school board shall 1381 carry forward the unobligated amount and shall add it to the 1382 next year's allocation.

1383 <u>(5) (7)</u> A district school board or a consortium of school 1384 districts that implements an instructional materials program 1385 pursuant to s. 1006.283 may use the annual allocation to 1386 purchase instructional materials not on the state-adopted list. 1387 However, instructional materials purchased pursuant to this 1388 section which are not included on the state-adopted list must 150157

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meet the criteria of s. 1006.31(2), align with state standards adopted by the State Board of Education pursuant to s. 1003.41, and be consistent with course expectations based on the district's comprehensive plan for student progression and course descriptions adopted in state board rule.

1394Section 33. Paragraph (n) of subsection (21) of section13951007.271, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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1007.271 Dual enrollment programs.-

1397 (21) Each district school superintendent and each public 1398 postsecondary institution president shall develop a 1399 comprehensive dual enrollment articulation agreement for the 1400 respective school district and postsecondary institution. The 1401 superintendent and president shall establish an articulation 1402 committee for the purpose of developing the agreement. Each 1403 state university president may designate a university 1404 representative to participate in the development of a dual 1405 enrollment articulation agreement. A dual enrollment 1406 articulation agreement shall be completed and submitted annually 1407 by the postsecondary institution to the Department of Education 1408 on or before August 1. The agreement must include, but is not limited to: 1409

1410 (n) A funding provision that delineates costs incurred by 1411 each entity.

1412 1. School districts shall pay public postsecondary 1413 institutions the standard tuition rate per credit hour from 150157

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1414 funds provided in the Florida Education Finance Program when 1415 dual enrollment course instruction takes place on the 1416 postsecondary institution's campus and the course is taken 1417 during the fall or spring term. When dual enrollment is provided 1418 on the high school site by postsecondary institution faculty, 1419 the school district shall reimburse the costs associated with 1420 the postsecondary institution's proportion of salary and 1421 benefits to provide the instruction. When dual enrollment course 1422 instruction is provided on the high school site by school 1423 district faculty, the school district is not responsible for 1424 payment to the postsecondary institution. A postsecondary 1425 institution may enter into an agreement with the school district to authorize teachers to teach dual enrollment courses at the 1426 1427 high school site or the postsecondary institution. A school 1428 district may not deny a student access to dual enrollment unless 1429 the student is ineligible to participate in the program subject 1430 to provisions specifically outlined in this section.

14312. School districts shall pay for the cost of1432instructional materials for public high school students who are1433earning credit toward high school graduation under the dual1434enrollment program.

1435 <u>3.2.</u> Subject to annual appropriation in the General
1436 Appropriations Act, a public postsecondary institution shall
1437 receive an amount of funding equivalent to the standard tuition

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rate per credit hour for each dual enrollment course taken by a 1438 1439 student during the summer term. 1440 Section 34. Paragraph (b) of subsection (5) of section 1441 1008.25, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1442 1008.25 Public school student progression; student 1443 support; coordinated screening and progress monitoring; 1444 reporting requirements.-1445 READING DEFICIENCY AND PARENTAL NOTIFICATION.-(5) 1446 (b) A Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program student 1447 who exhibits a substantial deficiency in early literacy skills 1448 in accordance with the standards under s. 1002.67(1)(a) and 1449 based upon the results of the administration of the final 1450 coordinated screening and progress monitoring under subsection 1451 (8) shall be referred to the local school district and may be 1452 eligible to receive intensive reading interventions before 1453 participating in kindergarten. Such intensive reading 1454 interventions shall be paid for using funds from the district's 1455 evidence-based reading instruction allocation in accordance with 1456 1011.62(8). 1457 Section 35. Paragraph (d) of subsection (5) of section 1008.345, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1458 1459 1008.345 Implementation of state system of school 1460 improvement and education accountability.-1461 (5) The commissioner shall annually report to the State Board of Education and the Legislature and recommend changes in 1462 150157 Approved For Filing: 5/2/2023 12:28:06 PM

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1463 state policy necessary to foster school improvement and 1464 education accountability. The report shall include: 1465 (d) Based upon a review of each school district's reading instruction plan submitted pursuant to s. 1003.4201 s. 1466 1467 1011.62(8), intervention and support strategies used by school 1468 districts that were effective in improving the reading 1469 performance of students, as indicated by student performance 1470 data, who are identified as having a substantial reading 1471 deficiency pursuant to s. 1008.25(5)(a). 1472 1473 School reports shall be distributed pursuant to this subsection 1474 and s. 1001.42(18)(c) and according to rules adopted by the 1475 State Board of Education. 1476 Section 36. Subsections (2), (3), and (5) of section 1477 1008.365, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 1478 1008.365 Reading Achievement Initiative for Scholastic 1479 Excellence Act.-The Reading Achievement Initiative for Scholastic 1480 (2) 1481 Excellence (RAISE) Program is established within the Department 1482 of Education to provide instructional supports to school districts, school administrators, and instructional personnel in 1483 1484 implementing: Evidence-based reading instruction proven to 1485 (a) 1486 accelerate progress of students exhibiting a reading deficiency. 150157

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1487 (b) Differentiated instruction based on screening, 1488 diagnostic, progress monitoring, or student assessment data to 1489 meet students' <u>specific reading needs</u>. 1490 (c) Explicit and systematic reading strategies to develop 1491 phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension with more extensive opportunities for guided 1492 1493 practice, error correction, and feedback and interventions in 1494 order to improve student reading achievement. 1495 (3) The department shall establish at least 20 literacy 1496 support regions and regional support teams, at the direction of 1497 a regional literacy support director appointed by the 1498 Commissioner of Education, to assist schools with improving low 1499 reading scores as provided in this section. 1500 (a) A regional literacy support director must successfully 1501 demonstrate competence on the evidence-based strategies 1502 identified pursuant to s. 1001.215(7) s. 1001.215(8) and have 1503 the experience and credentials necessary, as determined by the 1504 department, to: 1505 Effectively monitor student reading growth and 1. 1506 achievement data; 1507 Oversee districtwide and schoolwide professional 2. 1508 development and planning to establish evidence-based practices 1509 among school administrators and instructional personnel; 1510 3. Evaluate implementation of evidence-based practices; 1511 and 150157

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1512 4. Manage a regional support team. A regional support team shall report to its regional 1513 (b) 1514 literacy support director and must consist of individuals who: Successfully demonstrate competence on the evidence-1515 1. 1516 based strategies identified pursuant to s. 1001.215(7) s. 1001.215(8);1517 Have substantial experience in literacy coaching and 1518 2. 1519 monitoring student progress data in reading; and 1520 3. Have received training necessary to assist with the 1521 delivery of professional development and site-based supports, 1522 including modeling evidence-based practices and providing 1523 feedback to instructional personnel. 1524 The department shall provide progress monitoring data (5)1525 to regional support teams regarding the implementation of 1526 supports. Such supports must include: Professional development, aligned to evidence-based 1527 (a) 1528 strategies identified pursuant to s. 1001.215(7) s. 1001.215(8), for appropriate instructional personnel and school 1529 1530 administrators identified by the regional support team. 1531 (b) Assistance with implementing: 1532 1. Data-informed instructional decisionmaking using 1533 progress monitoring and other appropriate data. 1534 2. Selection and consistent, coordinated use of 1535 scientifically researched and evidence-based high-quality

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instructional materials and supplemental materials as identified 1536 1537 by the Just Read, Florida! Office pursuant to s. 1001.215(8). 1538 3. Reading instruction in other core subject area 1539 curricula, with an emphasis on civic literacy. 1540 A multitiered system of supports in order to provide 4. 1541 students effective interventions and identify students who may 1542 require an evaluation for special educational services, 1543 including identifying characteristics of conditions that affect 1544 phonological processing, such as dyslexia. 1545 Evaluating a school's improvement plan for alignment (C) 1546 with the school district's K-12 comprehensive reading 1547 instruction plan under s. 1003.4201 s. 1011.62(8)(d) and the school district's allocation of resources as required by s. 1548 1549 1008.25(3)(a). If the regional support team determines that the 1550 school district's reading instruction plan does not address the 1551 school's need to improve student outcomes, the regional literacy 1552 support director, the district school superintendent, or his or 1553 her designee, and the director of the Just Read, Florida! Office 1554 shall convene a meeting to rectify the deficiencies of the 1555 reading instruction plan. 1556 Section 37. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) and paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 1010.20, Florida Statutes, are 1557

1558 amended to read:

1559 1010.20 Cost accounting and reporting for school 1560 districts.-

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1561	(2) COST REPORTING
1562	(a) Each district shall report on a district-aggregate
1563	basis expenditures for inservice training pursuant to s.
1564	1011.62(3) and for categorical programs as provided in <u>s.</u>
1565	<u>1011.62(17)</u> s. 1011.62(6) .
1566	(3) PROGRAM EXPENDITURE REQUIREMENTS
1567	(b) Funds for inservice training established in s.
1568	1011.62(3) and for categorical programs established in <u>s.</u>
1569	1011.62(17) s. $1011.62(6)$ shall be expended for the costs of the
1570	identified programs as provided by law and in accordance with
1571	the rules of the State Board of Education.
1572	Section 38. Section 1011.58, Florida Statutes, is created
1573	to read:
1574	1011.58 Procedures for legislative budget requests for the
1575	Florida School for Competitive Academics
1576	(1)(a) The legislative budget request of the Florida
1577	School for Competitive Academics established in s. 1002.351 must
1578	be prepared using the same format, procedures, and timelines
1579	required for the submission of the legislative budget request of
1580	the Department of Education.
1581	(b) The Florida School for Competitive Academics shall
1582	submit its legislative budget request to the Department of
1583	Education for review and approval. The school must create and
1584	submit to the department an implementation plan before the
1585	department may approve the budget request.
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1586	(c) Subsequent to the Department of Education's approval,
1587	the Commissioner of Education shall include the Florida School
1588	for Competitive Academics in the department's legislative budget
1589	request to the State Board of Education, the Governor, and the
1590	Legislature. The legislative budget request and the
1591	appropriation for the Florida School for Competitive Academics
1592	must be a separate identifiable sum in the public schools budget
1593	entity of the Department of Education.
1594	(d) The annual appropriation for the school shall be
1595	distributed monthly, without using the Florida Education Finance
1596	Program, in payments as nearly equal as possible.
1597	Appropriations for textbooks, instructional technology, and
1598	school buses may be released and distributed as necessary to
1599	serve the instructional program for the students. Transportation
1600	of students shall be provided by the school consistent with the
1601	requirements of subpart I.E. of chapter 1006 and s. 1012.45.
1602	(2) The school shall submit its fixed capital outlay
1603	request to the Department of Education for review and approval
1604	in accordance with s. 1002.36(4)(f)1. Subsequent to the
1605	department's approval, the school's request must be included
1606	within the department's public education capital outlay
1607	legislative budget request.
1608	Section 39. Section 1011.59, Florida Statutes, is created
1609	to read:

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1610	1011.59 Florida School for Competitive Academics; board of
1611	trustees; management flexibility
1612	(1) Notwithstanding ss. 216.031, 216.181, and 216.262 and
1613	pursuant to s. 216.351, but subject to any guidelines imposed in
1614	the General Appropriations Act, funds for the operation of the
1615	Florida School for Competitive Academics shall be requested and
1616	appropriated within budget entities, program components, program
1617	categories, lump sums, or special categories. Funds appropriated
1618	to the Florida School for Competitive Academics for each program
1619	category, lump sum, or special category may be transferred to
1620	traditional categories for expenditure by the board of trustees
1621	of the school. The board of trustees shall develop an annual
1622	operating budget that allocates funds by program component and
1623	traditional expenditure category.
1624	(2) Notwithstanding s. 216.181 and pursuant to s. 216.351,
1625	but subject to any requirements imposed in the General
1626	Appropriations Act, a lump-sum plan is not required to implement
1627	the special categories, program categories, or lump-sum
1628	appropriations. Upon release of the special categories, program
1629	categories, or lump-sum appropriations to the board of trustees,
1630	the Chief Financial Officer shall, upon the request of the board
1631	of trustees, transfer or reallocate funds to or among accounts
1632	established for disbursement purposes. The board of trustees
1633	shall maintain records to account for the original
1634	appropriation.
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1635	(3) Notwithstanding ss. 216.031, 216.181, 216.251, and
1636	216.262 and pursuant to s. 216.351, but subject to any
1637	requirements imposed in the General Appropriations Act, the
1638	board of trustees shall establish the authorized positions and
1639	may amend such positions within the total funds authorized
1640	annually in the General Appropriations Act.
1641	(4) Notwithstanding s. 216.301, all unexpended funds
1642	appropriated for the Florida School for Competitive Academics
1643	shall be carried forward and included as the balance forward for
1644	that fund in the approved operating budget for the following
1645	year.
1646	Section 40. Subsection (5) of section 1011.61, Florida
1647	Statutes, is amended to read:
1648	1011.61 DefinitionsNotwithstanding the provisions of s.
1649	1000.21, the following terms are defined as follows for the
1650	purposes of the Florida Education Finance Program:
1651	(5) The "Florida Education Finance Program" includes all
1652	programs and costs as provided in <u>ss. 1003.03, 1011.62, 1011.68,</u>
1653	and 1011.685 s. 1011.62.
1654	Section 41. Paragraph (e) of subsection (1) of section
1655	1011.62, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (d),
1656	present paragraphs (c) through (f) and (s) of subsection (1) and
1657	subsections (2), (3), (5) through (9), and (11) through (17) are
1658	amended, and new paragraphs (e) and (f) are added to subsection
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1659 (1) and new subsections (6) through (8) and (16) through (18) 1660 are added to that section, to read:

1661 1011.62 Funds for operation of schools.—If the annual 1662 allocation from the Florida Education Finance Program to each 1663 district for operation of schools is not determined in the 1664 annual appropriations act or the substantive bill implementing 1665 the annual appropriations act, it shall be determined as 1666 follows:

1667 (1) COMPUTATION OF THE BASIC AMOUNT TO BE INCLUDED FOR 1668 OPERATION.—The following procedure shall be followed in 1669 determining the annual allocation to each district for 1670 operation:

1671 Determination of programs.-Cost factors based on (C) 1672 desired relative cost differences between the following programs 1673 shall be established in the annual General Appropriations Act. 1674 The cost factor for secondary career education programs must be 1675 greater than the cost factor for and basic programs grade 9 1676 through 12 shall be equal. The Commissioner of Education shall 1677 specify a matrix of services and intensity levels to be used by 1678 districts in the determination of the two weighted cost factors 1679 for exceptional students with the highest levels of need. For these students, the funding support level shall fund the 1680 1681 exceptional students' education program, with the exception of 1682 extended school year services for students with disabilities.

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1. Basic programs.-

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1684	a. Kindergarten and grades 1, 2, and 3.
1685	b. Grades 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8.
1686	c. Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12.
1687	2. Programs for exceptional students
1688	a. Support Level IV.
1689	b. Support Level V.
1690	3. Secondary career education programs.
1691	4. English for Speakers of Other Languages.
1692	(d) Annual allocation calculation
1693	1. The Department of Education is authorized and directed
1694	to review all district programs and enrollment projections and
1695	calculate a maximum total weighted full-time equivalent student
1696	enrollment for each district for the K-12 FEFP.
1697	2. Maximum enrollments calculated by the department shall
1698	be derived from enrollment estimates used by the Legislature to
1699	calculate the FEFP. If two or more districts enter into an
1700	agreement under the provisions of s. 1001.42(4)(d), after the
1701	final enrollment estimate is agreed upon, the amount of FTE
1702	specified in the agreement, not to exceed the estimate for the
1703	specific program as identified in paragraph (c), may be
1704	transferred from the participating districts to the district
1705	providing the program.
1706	3. As part of its calculation of each district's maximum
1707	total weighted full-time equivalent student enrollment, the
1708	department shall establish separate enrollment ceilings for each
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of two program groups. Group 1 shall be composed of basic 1709 programs for grades K-3, grades 4-8, and grades 9-12. Group 2 1710 1711 shall be composed of students in exceptional student education programs support levels IV and V, English for Speakers of Other 1712 1713 Languages programs, and all career programs in grades 9-12. 1714 a. For any calculation of the FEFP, the enrollment ceiling 1715 for group 1 shall be calculated by multiplying the actual 1716 enrollment for each program in the program group by its 1717 appropriate program weight. 1718 b. The weighted enrollment ceiling for group 2 programs 1719 shall be calculated by multiplying the enrollment for each 1720 program by the appropriate program weight as provided in the 1721 General Appropriations Act. The weighted enrollment ceiling for 1722 program group 2 shall be the sum of the weighted enrollment 1723 ceilings for each program in the program group, plus the 1724 increase in weighted full-time equivalent student membership 1725 from the prior year for clients of the Department of Children 1726 and Families and the Department of Juvenile Justice. 1727 If, for any calculation of the FEFP, the weighted c 1728 enrollment for program group 2, derived by multiplying actual 1729 enrollments by appropriate program weights, exceeds the 1730 enrollment ceiling for that group, the following procedure shall 1731 be followed to reduce the weighted enrollment for that group to 1732 equal the enrollment ceiling:

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1733	(I) The weighted enrollment ceiling for each program in	
1734	the program group shall be subtracted from the weighted	
1735	enrollment for that program derived from actual enrollments.	
1736	(II) If the difference calculated under sub-sub-	
1737	subparagraph (I) is greater than zero for any program, a	
1738	reduction proportion shall be computed for the program by	
1739	dividing the absolute value of the difference by the total	
1740	amount by which the weighted enrollment for the program group	
1741	exceeds the weighted enrollment ceiling for the program group.	
1742	(III) The reduction proportion calculated under sub-sub-	
1743	subparagraph (II) shall be multiplied by the total amount of the	
1744	program group's enrollment over the ceiling as calculated under	
1745	sub-sub-subparagraph (I).	
1746	(IV) The prorated reduction amount calculated under sub-	
1747	sub-subparagraph (III) shall be subtracted from the program's	
1748	weighted enrollment to produce a revised program weighted	
1749	enrollment.	
1750	(V) The prorated reduction amount calculated under sub-	
1751	sub-subparagraph (III) shall be divided by the appropriate	
1752	program weight, and the result shall be added to the revised	
1753	program weighted enrollment computed in sub-sub-subparagraph	
1754	(IV).	
1755	(d) (e) Funding model for exceptional student education	
1756	programsThe funding model for exceptional student education	
1757	programs shall include all of the following:	
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1758 <u>1.1.a.</u> For programs for exceptional students in The funding model uses basic, at-risk, support levels IV and V <u>as</u> established in paragraph (c), the funding model shall include program for exceptional students and career Florida Education Finance Program cost factors, and a guaranteed allocation for exceptional student education programs.

1764 a. Exceptional education cost factors are determined by 1765 using a matrix of services to document the services that each 1766 support level IV and support level V exceptional student will 1767 receive. The nature and intensity of the services indicated on 1768 the matrix shall be consistent with the services described in 1769 each exceptional student's individual educational plan. The 1770 Department of Education shall review and revise the descriptions 1771 of the services and supports included in the matrix of services 1772 for exceptional students and shall implement those revisions 1773 before the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year.

1774 In order to generate funds using one of the two b. 1775 weighted cost factors, a matrix of services must be completed at 1776 the time of the student's initial placement into an exceptional 1777 student education program and at least once every 3 years by 1778 personnel who have received approved training. Nothing listed in 1779 the matrix shall be construed as limiting the services a school 1780 district must provide in order to ensure that exceptional 1781 students are provided a free, appropriate public education.

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1782	c. Students identified as exceptional, in accordance with
1783	chapter 6A-6, Florida Administrative Code, who do not have a
1784	matrix of services as specified in sub-subparagraph b. shall
1785	generate funds on the basis of full-time-equivalent student
1786	membership in the Florida Education Finance Program at the same
1787	funding level per student as provided for basic students.
1788	Additional funds for these exceptional students will be provided
1789	through the guaranteed allocation designated in subparagraph 2.
1790	2. For students identified as exceptional <u>in accordance</u>
1791	with chapter 6A-6, Florida Administrative Code, who do not have
1792	a matrix of services as specified in subparagraph 1. and for
1793	students who are gifted in grades $\underline{kindergarten} ~ \underline{K}$ through 8, <u>the</u>
1794	funding model shall include the funds generated on the basis of
1795	full-time equivalent student membership in the Florida Education
1796	Finance Program at the same funding level per student as
1797	provided for a basic student and additional funds provided by
1798	the exceptional student education guaranteed allocation
1799	established pursuant to subsection (8).
1800	(e) Calculation of additional full-time equivalent
1801	membership for small school district exceptional student
1802	educationAn additional value per full-time equivalent student
1803	membership is provided to school districts with a full-time
1804	equivalent student membership of fewer than 10,000 and fewer
1805	than three full-time equivalent students in exceptional student
1806	education support levels IV and V. The Department of Education
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1807	shall set the amount of the additional value based on documented
1808	evidence of the difference between the cost of the school
1809	district's exceptional student education support levels IV and V
1810	services and the applicable Florida Education Finance Program
1811	funds appropriated in the General Appropriations Act. The total
1812	statewide value may not exceed a value per weighted full-time
1813	equivalent student as specified in the General Appropriations
1814	Act. The additional value for an eligible school district shall
1815	not exceed three full-time equivalent students for each of the
1816	<code>exceptional student education support levels IV and V</code> there is
1817	created a guaranteed allocation to provide these students with a
1818	free appropriate public education, in accordance with s.
1819	1001.42(4)(1) and rules of the State Board of Education, which
1820	shall be allocated initially to each school district in the
1821	amount provided in the General Appropriations Act. These funds
1822	shall be supplemental to the funds appropriated for the basic
1823	funding level, and the amount allocated for each school district
1824	shall be recalculated during the year, based on actual student
1825	membership from FTE surveys. Upon recalculation, if the
1826	generated allocation is greater than the amount provided in the
1827	General Appropriations Act, the total shall be prorated to the
1828	level of the appropriation based on each district's share of the
1829	total recalculated amount. These funds shall be used to provide
1830	special education and related services for exceptional students
1831	and students who are gifted in grades K through 8. A district's
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1832	expenditure of funds from the guaranteed allocation for students
1833	in grades 9 through 12 who are gifted may not be greater than
1834	the amount expended during the 2006-2007 fiscal year for gifted
1835	students in grades 9 through 12.
1836	(f) Small district factorAn additional value per full-
1837	time equivalent student membership is provided to each school
1838	district with a full-time equivalent student membership of fewer
1839	than 20,000 full-time equivalent students which is in a fiscally
1840	constrained county as described in s. 218.67(1). The amount of
1841	the additional value shall be specified in the General
1842	Appropriations Act.
1843	(f) Supplemental academic instruction allocation
1844	1. There is created the supplemental academic instruction
1845	allocation to provide supplemental academic instruction to
1846	students in kindergarten through grade 12.
1847	2. The supplemental academic instruction allocation shall
1848	be provided annually in the Florida Education Finance Program as
1849	specified in the General Appropriations Act. These funds are in
1850	addition to the funds appropriated on the basis of FTE student
1851	membership in the Florida Education Finance Program and shall be
1852	included in the total potential funds of each district.
1853	Beginning with the 2018-2019 fiscal year, each school district
1854	that has a school carning a grade of "D" or "F" pursuant to s.
1855	1008.34 must use that school's portion of the supplemental
1856	academic instruction allocation to implement intervention and
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support strategies for school improvement pursuant to s. 1008.33 1857 and for salary incentives pursuant to s. 1012.2315(3) or salary 1858 1859 supplements pursuant to s. 1012.22(1)(c) 5.c. that are provided 1860 through a memorandum of understanding between the collective 1861 bargaining agent and the school board that addresses the 1862 selection, placement, and expectations of instructional 1863 personnel and school administrators. For all other schools, the 1864 school district's use of the supplemental academic instruction 1865 allocation may include, but is not limited to, the use of a 1866 modified curriculum; reading instruction; after-school 1867 instruction; tutoring; mentoring; a reduction in class size; 1868 extended school year; intensive skills development in summer 1869 school; dropout prevention programs as defined in ss. 1003.52 1870 and 1003.53(1) (a), (b), and (c); and other methods of improving 1871 student achievement. Supplemental academic instruction may be 1872 provided to a student in any manner and at any time during or 1873 beyond the regular 180-day term identified by the school as being the most effective and efficient way to best help that 1874 1875 student progress from grade to grade and to graduate. 1876 3. The supplemental academic instruction allocation shall 1877 consist of a base amount that has a workload adjustment based on 1878 changes in unweighted FTE. The supplemental academic instruction

1879 allocation shall be recalculated during the fiscal year. Upon

1880 recalculation of funding for the supplemental academic

1881 instruction allocation, if the total allocation is greater than 150157

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the amount provided in the General Appropriations Act, the 1882 allocation shall be prorated to the level provided to support 1883 1884 the appropriation, based on each district's share of the total. 1885 4. Funding on the basis of FTE membership beyond the 180-1886 day regular term shall be provided in the FEFP only for students 1887 enrolled in juvenile justice education programs or in education 1888 programs for juveniles placed in secure facilities or programs 1889 under s. 985.19. Funding for instruction beyond the regular 180day school year for all other K-12 students shall be provided 1890 1891 through the supplemental academic instruction allocation and 1892 other state, federal, and local fund sources with ample 1893 flexibility for schools to provide supplemental instruction to 1894 assist students in progressing from grade to grade and 1895 graduating. 1896 Determination of the basic amount for current (S) 1897 operation.-The basic amount for current operation to be included 1898 in the Florida Education Finance Program for kindergarten 1899 through grade 12 for each district shall be the product of the 1900 following: 1901 1. The full-time equivalent student membership in each 1902 program, multiplied by 1903 The cost factor for each program, adjusted for the 2. 1904 maximum as provided by paragraph (c), multiplied by 1905 3. The comparable wage factor district cost differential, multiplied by 1906 150157 Approved For Filing: 5/2/2023 12:28:06 PM

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1907 4. The small district factor, and multiplied by 1908 5.4. The base student allocation. 1909 (2) DETERMINATION OF COMPARABLE WAGE FACTOR DISTRICT COST DIFFERENTIALS.-1910 1911 The Commissioner of Education shall annually compute (a) 1912 for each district the current year's comparable wage factor 1913 district cost differential. The comparable wage factor district 1914 cost differential shall be calculated by adding each district's 1915 price level index as published in the Florida Price Level Index 1916 for the most recent 3 years and dividing the resulting sum by 3. 1917 The result for each district shall be multiplied by 0.008 and to 1918 the resulting product shall be added 0.200; the sum thus 1919 obtained shall be the comparable wage factor cost differential 1920 for that district for that year. 1921 (b) The comparable wage factor for each school district is 1922 used in the calculation of the basic amount for current 1923 operation pursuant to subsection (1) if the comparable wage 1924 factor is greater than 1.000. 1925 (c) The limitation authorized in paragraph (b) applies to 1926 any categorical funding provided in the Florida Education Finance Program that has a calculation methodology that includes 1927 1928 the comparable wage factor. 1929 (3) INSERVICE EDUCATIONAL PERSONNEL TRAINING EXPENDITURE.-1930 Of the amount computed in subsection (1) subsections (1) and (2), a percentage of the basic amount for current operation base 1931 150157

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1932 student allocation per full-time equivalent student or other 1933 funds shall be expended for educational training programs as 1934 determined by the district school board as provided in s. 1935 1012.98.

1936 (5)DISCRETIONARY MILLAGE COMPRESSION SUPPLEMENT. - The 1937 Legislature shall prescribe in the General Appropriations Act, 1938 pursuant to s. 1011.71(1), the rate of nonvoted current 1939 operating discretionary millage that shall be used to calculate 1940 a discretionary millage compression supplement. If the 1941 prescribed millage generates an amount of funds per unweighted 1942 full-time equivalent student FTE for the district that is less 1943 than the state average, the district shall receive an amount per 1944 full-time equivalent student FTE that, when added to the funds 1945 per full-time equivalent student FTE generated by the designated 1946 levy, shall equal the state average.

1947 (6) STATE-FUNDED DISCRETIONARY CONTRIBUTION.-The state-1948 funded discretionary contribution is created to fund the 1949 nonvoted discretionary millage for operations pursuant to s. 1950 1011.71(1) and (3) for developmental research schools (lab schools) established in s. 1002.32 and the Florida Virtual 1951 School established in s. 1002.37. 1952 1953 (a) To calculate the state-funded discretionary 1954 contribution for lab schools, multiply the maximum allowable

1955 nonvoted discretionary millage for operations pursuant to s. 1956 1011.71(1) and (3) by the value of 96 percent of the current

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1957	year's taxable value for school purposes for the school district
1958	in which the lab school is located; divide the result by the
1959	total full-time equivalent membership of the school district;
1960	and multiply the result by the full-time equivalent membership
1961	of the lab school. The amount obtained shall be appropriated in
1962	the General Appropriations Act to the Lab School Trust Fund
1963	established pursuant to s. 1002.32(9).
1964	(b) To calculate the state-funded discretionary
1965	contribution for the Florida Virtual School, multiply the
1966	maximum allowable nonvoted discretionary millage for operations
1967	pursuant to s. 1011.71(1) and (3) by the value of 96 percent of
1968	the current year's taxable value for school purposes for the
1969	state; divide the result by the total full-time equivalent
1970	membership of the state; and multiply the result by the full-
1971	time equivalent membership of the Florida Virtual School.
1972	(7) EDUCATIONAL ENRICHMENT ALLOCATION
1973	(a) The educational enrichment allocation is created to
1974	assist school districts in providing educational enrichment
1975	activities and services that support and increase the academic
1976	achievement of students in grades kindergarten through 12.
1977	Educational enrichment activities and services may be provided
1978	in a manner and at any time during or beyond the regular 180-day
1979	term identified by the school district as being the most
1980	effective and efficient way to best help the student progress
1981	from grade to grade and graduate from high school. For fiscal
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1982	year 2023-2024, the educational enrichment allocation shall
1983	consist of a base amount as specified in the General
1984	Appropriations Act. Beginning in fiscal year 2024-2025, the
1985	educational enrichment allocation shall consist of the base
1986	amount that includes a workload adjustment based on changes in
1987	the unweighted full-time equivalent membership.
1988	(b) For district-managed turnaround schools as identified
1989	in s. 1008.33(4)(a), schools that earn three consecutive grades
1990	below a "C," as identified in s. 1008.33(4)(b)3., and schools
1991	that have improved to a "C" and are no longer in turnaround
1992	status, as identified in s. 1008.33(4)(c), a supplemental amount
1993	shall be added to their educational enrichment allocation for
1994	purposes of implementing the intervention and support strategies
1995	identified in the turnaround plan submitted pursuant to s.
1996	1008.33.
1997	1. The supplemental amount shall be based on the
1998	unweighted full-time equivalent student enrollment at the
1999	eligible schools and a per full-time equivalent funding amount
2000	of \$500 or as provided in the General Appropriations Act.
2001	2. Services funded by the allocation may include, but are
2002	not limited to, tutorial and afterschool programs, student
2003	counseling, nutrition education, parental counseling, and an
2004	extended school day and school year. In addition, services may
2005	include models that develop a culture that encourages students
2006	to complete high school and to attend college or career
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2007 training, set high academic expectations, and inspire character
2008 development.
2009 <u>3. A school district may enter into a formal agreement</u>
2010 with a nonprofit organization that has tax-exempt status under
2011 s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code to implement an
2012 <u>integrated student support service model that provides students</u>
2013 and families with access to wrap-around services, including, but
2014 not limited to, health services, after-school programs, drug
2015 prevention programs, college and career readiness programs, and
2016 food and clothing banks.
2017 (c) The educational enrichment allocation, to include the
2018 supplemental amount, shall be recalculated during the fiscal
2019 year pursuant to paragraph (1) (a). If the recalculated amount is
2020 greater than the amount provided in the General Appropriations
2021 Act, the allocation shall be prorated to the level provided to
2022 support the appropriation, based on each school district's
2023 proportionate share of the total allocation.
(d) Funding on the basis of full-time equivalent
2025 membership beyond the 180-day regular term shall be provided in
2026 the Florida Education Finance Program only for students enrolled
2027 <u>in juvenile justice education programs or in education programs</u>
2028 for juveniles placed in secure facilities or programs pursuant
2029 to s. 985.19. Funding for instruction beyond the regular 180-day
2030 school year for all other kindergarten through grade 12 students
2031 shall be provided through the educational enrichment allocation
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2032	and other state, federal, and local funding sources with
2033	flexibility for schools to provide educational enrichment
2034	activities and services to assist students in grades
2035	kindergarten through 12.
2036	(8) EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT EDUCATION GUARANTEED ALLOCATION
2037	The exceptional student education guaranteed allocation is
2038	created to fund the additional costs of programs for exceptional
2039	students specified in subparagraph (1)(d)2. and shall be
2040	supplemental to the funds appropriated in the Florida Education
2041	Finance Program for the basic student funding level.
2042	(a) The amount of each school district's exceptional
2043	student education guaranteed allocation shall be the greater of
2044	either the school district's prior year exceptional student
2045	education guaranteed allocation funds per eligible full-time
2046	equivalent student or the exceptional student education
2047	guaranteed allocation factor as specified in the General
2048	Appropriations Act multiplied by the school district's total
2049	number of eligible full-time equivalent students.
2050	(b) The exceptional student education guaranteed
2051	allocation shall be recalculated during the fiscal year based on
2052	actual full-time equivalent student membership. If the
2053	recalculated amount is greater than the amount provided in the
2054	General Appropriations Act, the total shall be prorated to the
2055	level of the appropriation based on each school district's share
2056	of the total recalculated allocation amount.
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2057	(6) CATEGORICAL FUNDS
2058	(a) In addition to the basic amount for current operations
2059	for the FEFP as determined in subsection (1), the Legislature
2060	may appropriate categorical funding for specified programs,
2061	activities, or purposes.
2062	(b) If a district school board finds and declares in a
2063	resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the school board that
2064	the funds received for any of the following categorical
2065	appropriations are urgently needed to maintain school board
2066	specified academic classroom instruction or improve school
2067	safety, the school board may consider and approve an amendment
2068	to the school district operating budget transferring the
2069	identified amount of the categorical funds to the appropriate
2070	account for expenditure:
2071	1. Funds for student transportation.
2072	2. Funds for instructional materials if all instructional
2073	material purchases necessary to provide updated materials that
2074	are aligned with applicable state standards and course
2075	descriptions and that meet statutory requirements of content and
2076	learning have been completed for that fiscal year, but no sooner
2077	than March 1. Funds available after March 1 may be used to
2078	purchase computers and device hardware for student instruction
2079	that comply with the requirements of s. 1001.20(4)(a)1.b.
2080	3. Funds for the guaranteed allocation as provided in
2081	subparagraph (1)(e)2.
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2082	4. Funds for the supplemental academic instruction
2083	allocation as provided in paragraph (1)(f).
2084	5. Funds for the federally connected student supplement as
2085	provided in subsection (10).
2086	6. Funds for class size reduction as provided in s.
2087	1011.685.
2088	(c) Each district school board shall include in its annual
2089	financial report to the Department of Education the amount of
2090	funds the school board transferred from each of the categorical
2091	funds identified in this subsection and the specific academic
2092	classroom instruction or school safety need for which the
2093	transferred funds were expended. The Department of Education
2094	shall provide instructions and specify the format to be used in
2095	submitting this required information as a part of the district
2096	annual financial report. The Department of Education shall
2097	submit a report to the Legislature that identifies by district
2098	and by categorical fund the amount transferred and the specific
2099	academic classroom activity or school safety need for which the
2100	funds were expended.
2101	(7) DETERMINATION OF SPARSITY SUPPLEMENT
2102	(a) Annually, in an amount to be determined by the
2103	Legislature through the General Appropriations Act, there shall
2104	be added to the basic amount for current operation of the FEFP
2105	qualified districts a sparsity supplement which shall be
2106	computed as follows:
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2107 1101.8918 0,1101 Sparsity Factor -2108 2700 + districtsparsity index 2109 2110 except that districts with a sparsity index of 1,000 or less 2111 shall be computed as having a sparsity index of 1,000, and 2112 districts having a sparsity index of 7,308 and above shall be 2113 computed as having a sparsity factor of zero. A qualified 2114 district's full-time equivalent student membership shall equal 2115 or be less than that prescribed annually by the Legislature in 2116 the appropriations act. The amount prescribed annually by the 2117 Legislature shall be no less than 17,000, but no more than 30,000. 2118 2119 (b) The district sparsity index shall be computed by 2120 dividing the total number of full-time equivalent students in 2121 all programs in the district by the number of senior high school 2122 centers in the district, not in excess of three, which centers 2123 are approved as permanent centers by a survey made by the 2124 Department of Education. For districts with a full-time 2125 equivalent student membership of at least 20,000, but no more than 30,000, the index shall be computed by dividing the total 2126 2127 number of full-time equivalent students in all programs by the 150157

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2128	number of permanent senior high school centers in the district,
2129	not in excess of four.
2130	(c) If the sparsity supplement calculated in paragraphs
2131	(a) and (b) for an eligible district is less than \$100 per full-
2132	time equivalent student, the district's supplement shall be
2133	increased to \$100 per FTE or to the minimum amount per FTE
2134	designated in the General Appropriations Act.
2135	(d) Each district's allocation of sparsity supplement
2136	funds shall be adjusted in the following manner:
2137	1. A maximum discretionary levy per FTE value for each
2138	district shall be calculated by dividing the value of each
2139	district's maximum discretionary levy by its FTE student count.
2140	2. A state average discretionary levy value per FTE shall
2141	be calculated by dividing the total maximum discretionary levy
2142	value for all districts by the state total FTE student count.
2143	3. A total potential funds per FTE for each district shall
2144	be calculated by dividing the total potential funds, not
2145	including Florida School Recognition Program funds and the
2146	minimum guarantee funds, for each district by its FTE student
2147	count.
2148	4. A state average total potential funds per FTE shall be
2149	calculated by dividing the total potential funds, not including
2150	Florida School Recognition Program funds and the minimum
2151	guarantee funds, for all districts by the state total FTE
2152	student count.
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2153	5. For districts that have a levy value per FTE as
2154	calculated in subparagraph 1. higher than the state average
2155	calculated in subparagraph 2., a sparsity wealth adjustment
2156	shall be calculated as the product of the difference between the
2157	state average levy value per FTE calculated in subparagraph 2.
2158	and the district's levy value per FTE calculated in subparagraph
2159	1. and the district's FTE student count and -1. However, no
2160	district shall have a sparsity wealth adjustment that, when
2161	applied to the total potential funds calculated in subparagraph
2162	3., would cause the district's total potential funds per FTE to
2163	be less than the state average calculated in subparagraph 4.
2164	6. Each district's sparsity supplement allocation shall be
2165	calculated by adding the amount calculated as specified in
2166	paragraphs (a) and (b) and the wealth adjustment amount
2167	calculated in this paragraph.
2168	(8) EVIDENCE-BASED READING INSTRUCTION ALLOCATION
2169	(a) The evidence-based reading instruction allocation is
2170	created to provide comprehensive reading instruction to students
2171	in prekindergarten through grade 12.
2172	(b) Intensive reading instruction for students who have
2173	reading deficiencies must include evidence-based reading
2174	instruction proven to accelerate progress of students exhibiting
2175	a reading deficiency; differentiated instruction based on
2176	screening, diagnostic, progress monitoring, or student
2177	assessment data to meet students' specific reading needs;
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2178	explicit and systematic reading strategies to develop phonemic
2179	awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension, with
2180	more extensive opportunities for guided practice, error
2181	correction, and feedback; and the coordinated integration of
2182	civic literacy, science, and mathematics-text reading, text
2183	discussion, and writing in response to reading.
2184	(c) Funds for comprehensive, evidence-based reading
2185	instruction shall be allocated annually to each school district
2186	in the amount provided in the General Appropriations Act. Each
2187	eligible school district shall receive the same minimum amount
2188	as specified in the General Appropriations Act, and any
2189	remaining funds shall be distributed to eligible school
2190	districts based on each school district's proportionate share of
2191	K-12 base funding.
2192	(d) Funds allocated under this subsection must be used to
2193	provide a system of comprehensive reading instruction to
2194	students enrolled in the prekindergarten-12 programs and certain
2195	students who exhibit a substantial deficiency in early literacy,
2196	which may include the following:
2197	1. Additional time per day of evidence-based intensive
2198	reading instruction to students, which may be delivered during
2199	or outside of the regular school day.
2200	2. Kindergarten through grade 12 evidence-based intensive
2201	reading interventions.

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2202	3. Highly qualified reading coaches, who must be endorsed
2203	in reading, to specifically support teachers in making
2204	instructional decisions based on student data, and improve
2205	teacher delivery of effective reading instruction, intervention,
2206	and reading in the content areas based on student need.
2207	4. Professional development to help instructional
2208	personnel and certified prekindergarten teachers funded in the
2209	Florida Education Finance Program earn a certification, a
2210	credential, an endorsement, or an advanced degree in
2211	scientifically researched and evidence-based reading
2212	instruction.
2213	5. Summer reading camps, using only teachers or other
2214	district personnel who possess a micro-credential as specified
2215	in s. 1003.485 or are certified or endorsed in reading
2216	consistent with s. 1008.25(7)(b)3., for all students in
2217	kindergarten through grade 5 who demonstrate a reading
2218	deficiency as determined by district and state assessments.
2219	6. Scientifically researched and evidence-based
2220	supplemental instructional materials as identified by the Just
2221	Read, Florida! Office pursuant to s. 1001.215(8).
2222	7. Incentives for instructional personnel and certified
2223	prekindergarten teachers funded in the Florida Education Finance
2224	Program who possess a reading certification or endorsement or
2225	micro-credential as specified in s. 1003.485 and provide
2226	educational support to improve student literacy.
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2227 8. Tutoring in reading. (c)1. Annually, by a date determined by the Department of 2228 2229 Education, each school district shall submit a comprehensive 2230 reading plan approved by the applicable district school board, 2231 charter school governing board, or lab school board of trustees, 2232 for the specific use of the evidence-based reading instruction 2233 allocation, based upon a root-cause analysis. The State Regional 2234 Literacy Director may assist in the development of the plan. The 2235 department shall provide a plan format. A district school board 2236 may use the format developed by the department or a format 2237 developed by the district school board. 2238 2. Intensive reading interventions must be delivered by 2239 instructional personnel who possess the micro-credential as provided in s. 1003.485 or are certified or endorsed in reading 2240 2241 and must incorporate evidence-based strategies identified by the 2242 Just Read, Florida! Office pursuant to s. 1001.215(8). 2243 Instructional personnel who possess a micro-credential as 2244 specified in s. 1003.485 and are delivering intensive reading 2245 interventions must be supervised by an individual certified 2246 endorsed in reading. For the purposes of this subsection, the 2247 term "supervision" means the ability to communicate by way of 2248 telecommunication with or physical presence of the certified or endorsed personnel for consultation and direction of the actions 2249 2250 of the personnel with the micro-credential.

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2251	3. By July 1 of each year, the department shall release to
2252	each school district its allocation of appropriated funds. The
2253	department shall evaluate the implementation of each district
2254	plan, including conducting site visits and collecting specific
2255	data on expenditures and reading improvement results. By
2256	February 1 of each year, the department shall report its
2257	findings to the Legislature and the State Board of Education,
2258	including any recommendations for improving implementation of
2259	evidence-based reading and intervention strategies in
2260	classrooms.
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2262	For purposes of this subsection, the term "evidence-based" means
2263	demonstrating a statistically significant effect on improving
2264	student outcomes or other relevant outcomes as provided in 20
2265	U.S.C. s. 8101(21)(A)(i).
2266	(9) CALCULATION OF SUPPLEMENTAL ALLOCATION FOR JUVENILE
2267	JUSTICE EDUCATION PROGRAMS
2268	<u>(a)</u> The total <u>kindergarten through grade 12</u> K-12 weighted
2269	full-time equivalent student membership in juvenile justice
2270	education programs in each school district shall be multiplied
2271	by the amount of the state average class-size-reduction factor
2272	multiplied by the comparable wage factor for the school district
2273	established in subsection (2) district's cost differential. An
2274	amount equal to the sum of this calculation shall be allocated
2275	in the <u>Florida Education Finance Program</u> FEFP to each school
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2276 district to supplement other sources of funding for students in 2277 juvenile justice education programs. 2278 (b) Funds allocated under this subsection shall be used to provide the juvenile justice education programs pursuant to s. 2279 2280 1003.52 and may be used to pay for the high school equivalency 2281 examination fees for juvenile justice students who pass the high 2282 school equivalency examination in full, or in part, while in a 2283 juvenile justice education program, the industry credentialing 2284 testing fees for such students, and the costs associated with 2285 such juvenile justice students enrolled in career and technical 2286 education courses that lead to industry-recognized 2287 certifications. 2288 QUALITY ASSURANCE GUARANTEE. - The Legislature may (11)

2289 annually in the General Appropriations Act determine a 2290 percentage increase in funds per kindergarten through grade 12 2291 K-12 unweighted full-time equivalent student FTE as a minimum 2292 guarantee to each school district. The guarantee shall be 2293 calculated from prior year base funding per unweighted full-time 2294 equivalent FTE student which shall include the adjusted full-2295 time equivalent FTE dollars as provided in subsection (15), 2296 quality guarantee funds, and actual nonvoted discretionary local effort from taxes. From the base funding per unweighted full-2297 2298 time equivalent student FTE, the increase shall be calculated 2299 for the current year. The current year funds from which the guarantee shall be determined shall include the adjusted full-2300 150157

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2301 time equivalent FTE dollars as provided in subsection (15) and 2302 potential nonvoted discretionary local effort from taxes. A 2303 comparison of current year funds per unweighted full-time equivalent student FTE to prior year funds per unweighted full-2304 2305 time equivalent student FTE shall be computed. For those school 2306 districts which have less than the legislatively assigned 2307 percentage increase, funds shall be provided to guarantee the 2308 assigned percentage increase in funds per unweighted full-time 2309 equivalent FTE student. Should appropriated funds be less than 2310 the sum of this calculated amount for all districts, the 2311 commissioner shall prorate each district's allocation. This 2312 provision shall be implemented to the extent specifically 2313 funded.

2314 (12)SAFE SCHOOLS ALLOCATION. - A safe schools allocation is 2315 created to provide funding to assist school districts in their 2316 compliance with ss. 1006.07-1006.12, with priority given to 2317 safe-school officers pursuant to s. 1006.12. Each school district shall receive a minimum safe schools allocation in an 2318 2319 amount provided in the General Appropriations Act. Of the 2320 remaining balance of the safe schools allocation, one-third 2321 shall be allocated to school districts based on the most recent 2322 official Florida Crime Index provided by the Department of Law 2323 Enforcement and two-thirds shall be allocated based on each 2324 school district's proportionate share of the state's total unweighted full-time equivalent student enrollment. Each school 2325 150157

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2326 district must report to the Department of Education by October 15 that all public schools within the school district have 2327 2328 completed the school security risk assessment using the Florida 2329 Safe Schools Assessment Tool developed pursuant to s. 1006.1493. 2330 If a district school board is required by s. 1006.12 to assign a 2331 school resource officer or school safety officer to a charter 2332 school, the charter school's share of costs for such officer may 2333 not exceed the amount of funds allocated to the charter school 2334 under this subsection.

2335 (13)MENTAL HEALTH ASSISTANCE ALLOCATION. - The mental 2336 health assistance allocation is created to provide funding to 2337 assist school districts in their implementation of their 2338 establishing or expanding school-based mental health assistance 2339 program pursuant to s. 1006.041 care; train educators and other 2340 school staff in detecting and responding to mental health 2341 issues; and connect children, youth, and families who may 2342 experience behavioral health issues with appropriate services. 2343 These funds shall be allocated annually in the General 2344 Appropriations Act or other law to each eligible school 2345 district. Each school district shall receive a minimum of 2346 \$100,000, with the remaining balance allocated based on each 2347 school district's proportionate share of the state's total 2348 unweighted full-time equivalent student enrollment. Charter schools that submit a plan separate from the school district are 2349 2350 entitled to a proportionate share of district funding. The 150157

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allocated funds may not supplant funds that are provided for 2351 this purpose from other operating funds and may not be used to 2352 2353 increase salaries or provide bonuses. School districts are 2354 encouraged to maximize third-party health insurance benefits and 2355 Medicaid claiming for services, where appropriate. 2356 (a) Before the distribution of the allocation: 2357 1. The school district must develop and submit a detailed 2358 plan outlining the local program and planned expenditures to the district school board for approval. This plan must include all 2359 2360 district schools, including charter schools, unless a charter 2361 school elects to submit a plan independently from the school 2362 district pursuant to subparagraph 2. 2363 2. A charter school may develop and submit a detailed plan 2364 outlining the local program and planned expenditures to its 2365 governing body for approval. After the plan is approved by the 2366 governing body, it must be provided to the charter school's 2367 sponsor. 2368 (b) The plans required under paragraph (a) must be focused 2369 a multitiered system of supports to deliver evidence-based 2370 mental health care assessment, diagnosis, intervention, 2371 treatment, and recovery services to students with one or more 2372 mental health or co-occurring substance abuse diagnoses and to 2373 students at high risk of such diagnoses. The provision of these 2374 services must be coordinated with a student's primary mental 2375 health care provider and with other mental health providers 150157

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2376	involved in the student's care. At a minimum, the plans must
2377	include the following elements:
2378	1. Direct employment of school-based mental health
2379	services providers to expand and enhance school-based student
2380	services and to reduce the ratio of students to staff in order
2381	to better align with nationally recommended ratio models. These
2382	providers include, but are not limited to, certified school
2383	counselors, school psychologists, school social workers, and
2384	other licensed mental health professionals. The plan also must
2385	identify strategies to increase the amount of time that school-
2386	based student services personnel spend providing direct services
2387	to students, which may include the review and revision of
2388	district staffing resource allocations based on school or
2389	student mental health assistance needs.
2390	2. Contracts or interagency agreements with one or more
2391	local community behavioral health providers or providers of
2392	Community Action Team services to provide a behavioral health
2393	staff presence and services at district schools. Services may
2394	include, but are not limited to, mental health screenings and
2395	assessments, individual counseling, family counseling, group
2396	counseling, psychiatric or psychological services, trauma-
2397	informed care, mobile crisis services, and behavior
2398	modification. These behavioral health services may be provided
2399	on or off the school campus and may be supplemented by
2400	telehealth.
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2401	3. Policies and procedures, including contracts with
2402	service providers, which will ensure that:
2403	a. Students referred to a school-based or community-based
2404	mental health service provider for mental health screening for
2405	the identification of mental health concerns and students at
2406	risk for mental health disorders are assessed within 15 days of
2407	referral. School-based mental health services must be initiated
2408	within 15 days after identification and assessment, and support
2409	by community-based mental health service providers for students
2410	who are referred for community-based mental health services must
2411	be initiated within 30 days after the school or district makes a
2412	referral.
2413	b. Parents of a student receiving services under this
2414	subsection are provided information about other behavioral
2415	health services available through the student's school or local
2416	community-based behavioral health services providers. A school
2417	may meet this requirement by providing information about and
2418	Internet addresses for web-based directories or guides for local
2419	behavioral health services.
2420	c. Individuals living in a household with a student
2421	receiving services under this subsection are provided
2422	information about behavioral health services available through
2423	other delivery systems or payors for which such individuals may
2424	qualify, if such services appear to be needed or enhancements in

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2425	those individuals' behavioral health would contribute to the
2426	improved well-being of the student.
2427	4. Strategies or programs to reduce the likelihood of at-
2428	risk students developing social, emotional, or behavioral health
2429	problems, depression, anxiety disorders, suicidal tendencies, or
2430	substance use disorders.
2431	5. Strategies to improve the early identification of
2432	social, emotional, or behavioral problems or substance use
2433	disorders, to improve the provision of early intervention
2434	services, and to assist students in dealing with trauma and
2435	violence.
2436	6. Procedures to assist a mental health services provider
2437	or a behavioral health provider as described in subparagraph 1.
2438	or subparagraph 2., respectively, or a school resource officer
2439	or school safety officer who has completed mental health crisis
2440	intervention training in attempting to verbally de-escalate a
2441	student's crisis situation before initiating an involuntary
2442	examination pursuant to s. 394.463. Such procedures must include
2443	strategies to de-escalate a crisis situation for a student with
2444	a developmental disability as that term is defined in s.
2445	393.063.
2446	7. Policies of the school district which must require that
2447	in a student crisis situation, school or law enforcement
2448	personnel must make a reasonable attempt to contact a mental
2449	health professional who may initiate an involuntary examination
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2450	pursuant to s. 394.463, unless the child poses an imminent
2451	danger to themselves or others, before initiating an involuntary
2452	examination pursuant to s. 394.463. Such contact may be in
2453	person or using telehealth as defined in s. 456.47. The mental
2454	health professional may be available to the school district
2455	either by contracts or interagency agreements with the managing
2456	entity, one or more local community behavioral health providers,
2457	or the local mobile response team or be a direct or contracted
2458	school district employee.
2459	(c) School districts shall submit approved plans,
2460	including approved plans of each charter school in the district,
2461	to the commissioner by August 1 of each fiscal year.
2462	(d) Beginning September 30, 2019, and annually by
2463	September 30 thereafter, each school district shall submit to
2464	the Department of Education a report on its program outcomes and
2465	expenditures for the previous fiscal year that, at a minimum,
2466	must include the number of each of the following:
2467	1. Students who receive screenings or assessments.
2468	2. Students who are referred to either school-based or
2469	community-based providers for services or assistance.
2470	3. Students who receive either school-based or community-
2471	based interventions, services, or assistance.
2472	4. School-based and community-based mental health
2473	providers, including licensure type, paid for from funds
2474	provided through the allocation.
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2475	5. Contract-based collaborative efforts or partnerships
2476	with community mental health programs, agencies, or providers.
2477	(14) <u>CLASSROOM</u> TEACHER AND OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL PERSONNEL
2478	SALARY INCREASE ALLOCATION .—The Legislature <u>shall</u> may annually
2479	apportion an amount of funds provided provide in the Florida
2480	Education Finance Program to assist school districts and charter
2481	schools in their compliance with the requirement that the
2482	minimum base salary for full-time classroom teachers, as defined
2483	in s. 1012.01(2)(a), and certified prekindergarten teachers
2484	funded in the Florida Education Finance Program is at least
2485	\$47,500 or to provide salary increases to instructional
2486	personnel, as defined in s. 1012.01(2)(a)-(d), in a manner that
2487	best meets the needs of the school district or charter school.
2488	This subsection does not apply to substitute teachers a teacher
2489	salary increase allocation to assist school districts in their
2490	recruitment and retention of classroom teachers and other
2491	instructional personnel. The amount and distribution methodology
2492	for the funding of the allocation shall be specified in the
2493	General Appropriations Act.
2494	(a) The term "minimum base salary" means the lowest annual
2495	base salary reported on the salary schedule for a full-time
2496	classroom teacher. A full-time classroom teacher may not receive
2497	a salary less than the minimum base salary as adjusted by this
2498	subsection.

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(a) Each school district shall receive an allocation based
on the school district's proportionate share of the base FEFP
allocation. Each school district shall provide each charter
school within its district its proportionate share calculated
pursuant to s. 1002.33(17)(b). If a district school board has
not received its allocation due to its failure to submit an
approved district salary distribution plan, the district school
board must still provide each charter school that has submitted
a salary distribution plan within its district its proportionate
share of the allocation.
(b) Allocation funds are restricted in use as follows:
1. Each school district and charter school shall use its
share of the allocation to increase the minimum base salary for
full-time classroom teachers, as defined in s. 1012.01(2)(a),
plus certified prekindergarten teachers funded in the Florida
Education Finance Program, to at least \$47,500, or to the
maximum amount achievable based on the allocation and as
specified in the General Appropriations Act. The term "minimum
base salary" means the lowest annual base salary reported on the
salary schedule for a full-time classroom teacher. No full-time
classroom teacher shall receive a salary less than the minimum
base salary as adjusted by this subparagraph. This subparagraph
does not apply to substitute teachers.

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2522	2. In addition, each school district shall use its share
2523	of the allocation to provide salary increases, as funding
2524	permits, for the following personnel:
2525	a. Full-time classroom teachers, as defined in s.
2526	1012.01(2)(a), plus certified prekindergarten teachers funded in
2527	the Florida Education Finance Program, who did not receive an
2528	increase or who received an increase of less than 2 percent
2529	under subparagraph 1. or as specified in the General
2530	Appropriations Act. This subparagraph does not apply to
2531	substitute teachers.
2532	b. Other full-time instructional personnel as defined in
2533	s. 1012.01(2)(b)-(d).
2534	3. A school district or charter school may use funds
2535	available after the requirements of subparagraph 1. are met to
2536	provide salary increases pursuant to subparagraph 2.
2537	(b)4. A school district or charter school shall maintain
2538	the minimum base salary achieved for classroom teachers provided
2539	in the prior fiscal year under subparagraph 1. and may not
2540	reduce the salary increases provided under subparagraph 2. in
2541	any subsequent fiscal year , unless specifically authorized in
2542	the General Appropriations Act.
2543	(c) Before distributing any additional allocation funds
2544	received over the prior fiscal year pursuant to paragraph (a),
2545	each school district and each charter school shall develop a
2546	salary distribution plan that clearly delineates the planned
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2547 distribution of funds pursuant to paragraph (b) in accordance 2548 with modified salary schedules, as necessary, for the 2549 implementation of this subsection.

2550 1. Each school district superintendent and each charter 2551 school administrator must submit its proposed salary 2552 distribution plan to the district school board or the charter 2553 school governing body, as appropriate, for approval.

2554 2. Each school district shall submit the approved district 2555 salary distribution plan and the approved salary distribution 2556 plan for each charter school in the district to the department 2557 by October 1 of each fiscal year.

2558 (d) <u>Beginning August 1, 2024, and each year thereafter, in</u> 2559 a format specified by the department, provide as follows:

2560 1. By December 1, each school district shall provide a 2561 preliminary report to the department that includes a detailed 2562 summary explaining the school district's prior year's 2563 expenditures pursuant to this subsection. The report must 2564 include planned expenditure of the entire allocation for the 2565 district received pursuant to paragraph (a) r the amount of the 2566 increase to the minimum base salary for classroom teachers 2567 pursuant to paragraph (b), and the school district's salary 2568 schedule for the prior fiscal year and the fiscal year in which 2569 the base salary is increased. Each charter school governing 2570 board shall submit the information required under this

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subparagraph to the district school board for inclusion in the 2571 2572 school district's preliminary report to the department. 2573 2. By February 1, the department shall submit to the 2574 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the 2575 House of Representatives a statewide report on the planned 2576 expenditure of the teacher salary increase allocation, which 2577 includes the detailed summary provided by each school district 2578 and charter school. 2579 3. By August 1, each school district shall provide a final 2580 report to the department with the information required in 2581 subparagraph 1. for the prior fiscal year. Each charter school 2582 governing board shall submit the information required under this 2583 subparagraph to the district school board for inclusion in the 2584 school district's final report to the department. 2585 Although district school boards and charter school (e) 2586 governing boards are not precluded from bargaining over wages, 2587 the classroom teacher and other instructional personnel teacher 2588 salary increase allocation must be used solely to comply with 2589 the requirements of this subsection section. A district school 2590 board or charter school governing board that is unable to meet 2591 the reporting requirements in specified in paragraph (c) or 2592 paragraph (d) due to a collective bargaining impasse must 2593 provide written notification to the department or the district 2594 school board, as applicable, detailing the reasons for the 2595 impasse with a proposed timeline and details for a resolution. 150157

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(15) TOTAL ALLOCATION OF STATE FUNDS TO EACH DISTRICT FOR
CURRENT OPERATION.—The total annual state allocation to each
district for current operation for the <u>Florida Education Finance</u>
<u>Program</u> FEFP shall be distributed periodically in the manner
prescribed in the General Appropriations Act.

(a) If the funds appropriated for current operation of the
<u>Florida Education Finance Program, including funds appropriated</u>
<u>pursuant to subsection (18), FEFP</u> are not sufficient to pay the
state requirement in full, the department shall prorate the
available state funds to each district in the following manner:

1. Determine the percentage of proration by dividing the sum of the total amount for current operation, as provided in this paragraph for all districts collectively, and the total district required local effort into the sum of the state funds available for current operation and the total district required local effort.

2612 2. Multiply the percentage so determined by the sum of the 2613 total amount for current operation as provided in this paragraph 2614 and the required local effort for each individual district.

3. From the product of such multiplication, subtract the required local effort of each district; and the remainder shall be the amount of state funds allocated to the district for current operation. However, no calculation subsequent to the appropriation shall result in negative state funds for any district.

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2621	(16) STATE-FUNDED DISCRETIONARY SUPPLEMENT
2622	(a) The state-funded discretionary supplement is created
2623	to fund the nonvoted discretionary millage for operations
2624	pursuant to s. 1011.71(1) and (3) for students awarded a Family
2625	Empowerment Scholarship in accordance with s. 1002.394. To
2626	calculate the state-funded discretionary supplement for
2627	inclusion in the amount of the scholarship funding:
2628	1. For fiscal year 2023-2024, multiply the maximum
2629	allowable nonvoted discretionary millage for operations pursuant
2630	to s. 1011.71(1) and (3) by the value of 96 percent of the
2631	current year's taxable value for school purposes for the school
2632	district where the student is reported for purposes of the
2633	Florida Education Finance Program as appropriated in the General
2634	Appropriations Act; divide the result by the school district's
2635	total unweighted full-time equivalent membership as appropriated
2636	in the General Appropriations Act; and multiply the result by
2637	the total unweighted full-time equivalent membership associated
2638	with the number of Family Empowerment Scholarship students
2639	included in the school district's total unweighted full-time
2640	equivalent membership. A base amount as specified in the General
2641	Appropriations Act shall be added to this amount for purposes of
2642	calculating the total amount of the supplement.
2643	2. Beginning in fiscal year 2024-2025 and thereafter,
2644	multiply the maximum allowable nonvoted discretionary millage
2645	for operations pursuant to s. 1011.71(1) and (3) by the value of
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2646	96 percent of the current year's taxable value for school			
2647	purposes for the school district where the student is reported			
2648	for purposes of the Florida Education Finance Program as			
2649	appropriated in the General Appropriations Act; divide the			
2650	result by the school district's total unweighted full-time			
2651	equivalent membership as appropriated in the General			
2652	Appropriations Act; and multiply the result by the total			
2653	unweighted full-time equivalent membership associated with the			
2654	number of Family Empowerment Scholarship students. The prior			
2655	year's base amount shall be adjusted based on changes in the			
2656	eligible number of unweighted full-time equivalent membership			
2657	associated with the number of Family Empowerment Scholarship			
2658	students.			
2659	(b) The state-funded discretionary supplement shall be			
2660	recalculated during the fiscal year pursuant to paragraph			
2661	(1)(a). If the recalculated amount is greater than the amount			
2662	provided in the General Appropriations Act, the allocation shall			
2663	be prorated to the level provided to support the appropriation,			
2664	based on each school district's proportionate share of the total			
2665	allocation.			
2666	(17) CATEGORICAL FUNDS			
2667	(a) If a district school board determines that some or all			
2668	of the funds received for any of the categorical programs			
2669	established in this section are needed to maintain or enhance			
2670	school board-specified academic classroom instruction, maintain			
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2671	or expand career and technical education instruction, or improve			
2672	school safety, the school district may consider and approve an			
2673	amendment to the school district's operating budget by			
2674	transferring the identified amount of the categorical funds to			
2675	the appropriate account for expenditure.			
2676	(b) Each school district shall include in its annual			
2677	financial report to the Department of Education the amount of			
2678	funds the school board transferred from each of the categorical			
2679	funds identified in this subsection and the specific academic			
2680	classroom instruction, career and technical education			
2681	instruction, or school safety need for which the transferred			
2682	funds were expended. The department shall provide instructions			
2683	and specify the format to be used in submitting this required			
2684	information as part of the district annual financial report. The			
2685	department shall annually submit a report to the Legislature			
2686	that identifies by school district and by categorical fund the			
2687	amount transferred and the specific academic classroom or career			
2688	and technical education activity or school safety need for which			
2689	the funds were expended.			
2690	(18) EDUCATIONAL ENROLLMENT STABILIZATION PROGRAM			
2691	(a) The educational enrollment stabilization program is			
2692	created to provide supplemental state funds as needed to			
2693	maintain the stability of the operations of public schools in			
2694	each school district and to protect districts, including charter			
2695	schools, from financial instability as a result of changes in			
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2696 full-time equivalent student enrollment throughout the school 2697 year. This program shall be implemented to the extent funds are 2698 available. 2699 (b) The Legislature may annually appropriate funds in the 2700 General Appropriations Act to the Department of Education for this program. The Department of Education shall use funds as 2701 2702 appropriated to ensure that based on each recalculation of the 2703 Florida Education Finance Program pursuant to paragraph (1)(a), 2704 a school district's funds per unweighted full-time equivalent 2705 student are not less than the greater of either the school 2706 district's funds per unweighted full-time equivalent student as 2707 appropriated in the General Appropriations Act or the school 2708 district's funds per unweighted full-time equivalent student as 2709 recalculated based upon the receipt of the certified taxable value for school purposes pursuant to s. 1011.62(4). 2710 (16) COMPUTATION OF PRIOR YEAR DISTRICT REQUIRED LOCAL 2711 2712 EFFORT.-Calculations required in this section shall be based on 2713 95 percent of the taxable value for school purposes for fiscal 2714 vears prior to the 2010-2011 fiscal year. 2715 (17) TURNAROUND SCHOOL SUPPLEMENTAL SERVICES ALLOCATION .-2716 The turnaround school supplemental services allocation is 2717 created to provide district-managed turnaround schools, as 2718 identified in s. 1008.33(4) (a), schools that earn three

2719 consecutive grades below a "C," as identified in s. 2720 1008.33(4)(b)3., and schools that have improved to a "C" and are

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2721	no longer in turnaround status, as identified in s.
2722	1008.33(4)(c), with funds to offer services designed to improve
2723	the overall academic and community welfare of the schools'
2724	students and their families.
2725	(a)1. Services funded by the allocation may include, but
2726	are not limited to, tutorial and after-school programs, student
2727	counseling, nutrition education, parental counseling, and an
2728	extended school day and school year. In addition, services may
2729	include models that develop a culture that encourages students
2730	to complete high school and to attend college or career
2731	training, set high academic expectations, and inspire character
2732	development.
2733	2. A school district may enter into a formal agreement
2734	with a nonprofit organization that has tax-exempt status under
2735	s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code to implement an
2736	integrated student support service model that provides students
2737	and families with access to wrap-around services, including, but
2738	not limited to, health services, after-school programs, drug
2739	prevention programs, college and career readiness programs, and
2740	food and clothing banks.
2741	(b) Before distribution of the allocation, the school
2742	district shall develop and submit a plan for implementation to

2743 its school board for approval no later than August 1 of each 2744 fiscal year.

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2745	(c) At a minimum, the plan required under paragraph (b)	
2746	must:	
2747	1. Establish comprehensive support services that develop	
2748	family and community partnerships;	
2749	2. Establish clearly defined and measurable high academic	
2750	and character standards;	
2751	3. Increase parental involvement and engagement in the	
2752	child's education;	
2753	4. Describe how instructional personnel will be	
2754	identified, recruited, retained, and rewarded;	
2755	5. Provide professional development that focuses on	
2756	academic rigor, direct instruction, and creating high academic	
2757	and character standards;	
2758	6. Provide focused instruction to improve student academic	
2759	proficiency, which may include additional instruction time	
2760	beyond the normal school day or school year; and	
2761	7. Include a strategy for continuing to provide services	
2762	after the school is no longer in turnaround status by virtue of	
2763	achieving a grade of "C" or higher.	
2764	(d) Each school district shall submit its approved plans	
2765	to the commissioner by September 1 of each fiscal year.	
2766	(e) Subject to legislative appropriation, each school	
2767	district's allocation must be based on the unweighted FTE	
2768	student enrollment at the eligible schools and a per-FTE funding	
2769	amount of \$500 or as provided in the General Appropriations Act.	
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2770	The supplement provided in the General Appropriations Act shall			
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2772	be based on the most recent school grades and shall serve as a			
	proxy for the official calculation. Once school grades are			
2773	available for the school year immediately preceding the fiscal			
2774	year coinciding with the appropriation, the supplement shall be			
2775	recalculated for the official participating schools as part of			
2776	the subsequent FEFP calculation. The commissioner may prepare a			
2777	preliminary calculation so that districts may proceed with			
2778	timely planning and use of the funds. If the calculated funds			
2779	for the statewide allocation exceed the funds appropriated, the			
2780	allocation of funds to each school district must be prorated			
2781	based on each school district's share of the total unweighted			
2782	FTE student enrollment for the eligible schools.			
2783	(f) Subject to legislative appropriation, each school			
2784	shall remain eligible for the allocation for a maximum of 4			
2785	continuous fiscal years while implementing a turnaround option			
2786	pursuant to s. 1008.33(4). In addition, a school that improves			
2787	to a grade of "C" or higher shall remain eligible to receive the			
2788	allocation for a maximum of 2 continuous fiscal years after			
2789	exiting turnaround status.			
2790	Section 42. Section 1011.622, Florida Statutes, is amended			
2791	to read:			
2792	1011.622 Adjustments for students without a Florida			
2793	student identification numberThe Florida Education Finance			
2794	Program funding calculations, including the calculations			
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2795 authorized in ss. 1011.62, 1011.67, 1011.68, and 1011.685, shall 2796 include funding for a student only when all of the student's 2797 records are reported to the Department of Education under a 2798 Florida student identification number. The State Board of 2799 Education may adopt rules pursuant to ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54 2800 to implement this section.

2801Section 43.Section 1011.67, Florida Statutes, is2802repealed.

2803 Section 44. Subsection (4) of section 1011.69, Florida 2804 Statutes, is amended to read:

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1011.69 Equity in School-Level Funding Act.-

2806 (4) The following funds are excluded from the school-level 2807 allocation under this section: Funds appropriated in the General 2808 Appropriations Act for supplemental academic instruction to be 2809 used for the purposes described in s. 1011.62(1)(f).

2810 Section 45. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 2811 1011.84, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

2812 1011.84 Procedure for determining state financial support 2813 and annual apportionment of state funds to each Florida College 2814 System institution district.—The procedure for determining state 2815 financial support and the annual apportionment to each Florida 2816 College System institution district authorized to operate a 2817 Florida College System institution under the provisions of s. 2818 1001.61 shall be as follows:

2819 (3) DETERMINING THE APPORTIONMENT FROM STATE FUNDS.-150157

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(b) The apportionment to each Florida College System institution from the Florida College System Program Fund shall be determined annually in the General Appropriations Act. In determining each college's apportionment, the Legislature shall consider the following components:

2825 1. Base budget, which includes the state appropriation to 2826 the Florida College System Program Fund in the current year plus 2827 the related student tuition and out-of-state fees assigned in 2828 the current General Appropriations Act.

2829 2. The cost-to-continue allocation, which consists of 2830 incremental changes to the base budget, including salaries, 2831 price levels, and other related costs allocated through a 2832 funding model approved by the Legislature which may recognize 2833 differing economic factors arising from the individual 2834 educational approaches of the various Florida College System 2835 institutions, including, but not limited to:

a. Direct Instructional Funding, including class size,
faculty productivity factors, average faculty salary, ratio of
full-time to part-time faculty, costs of programs, and
enrollment factors.

2840 b. Academic Support, including small colleges factor,2841 multicampus factor, and enrollment factor.

2842 c. Student Services Support, including headcount of 2843 students as well as FTE count and enrollment factors.

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2844 Library Support, including volume and other d. materials/audiovisual requirements. 2845 2846 e. Special Projects. 2847 f. Operations and Maintenance of Plant, including square 2848 footage and utilization factors. 2849 Comparable wage factor District Cost Differential. q. 2850 3. Students enrolled in a recreation and leisure program 2851 and students enrolled in a lifelong learning program who may not 2852 be counted as full-time equivalent enrollments for purposes of 2853 enrollment workload adjustments. 2854 Operating costs of new facilities adjustments, which 4. 2855 shall be provided, from funds available, for each new facility 2856 that is owned by the college and is recommended in accordance 2857 with s. 1013.31. 2858 New and improved program enhancements, which shall be 5. 2859 determined by the Legislature. 2860 2861 Student fees in the base budget plus student fee revenues 2862 generated by increases in fee rates shall be deducted from the 2863 sum of the components determined in subparagraphs 1.-5. The 2864 amount remaining shall be the net annual state apportionment to 2865 each college. 2866 Section 46. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 2867 1012.22, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 150157

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1012.22 Public school personnel; powers and duties of the 2868 2869 district school board.-The district school board shall: 2870 Designate positions to be filled, prescribe (1)qualifications for those positions, and provide for the 2871 2872 appointment, compensation, promotion, suspension, and dismissal 2873 of employees as follows, subject to the requirements of this 2874 chapter: 2875 (c) Compensation and salary schedules.-2876 1. Definitions.-As used in this paragraph: 2877 "Adjustment" means an addition to the base salary a. 2878 schedule that is not a bonus and becomes part of the employee's 2879 permanent base salary and shall be considered compensation under 2880 s. 121.021(22). "Grandfathered salary schedule" means the salary 2881 b. 2882 schedule or schedules adopted by a district school board before 2883 July 1, 2014, pursuant to subparagraph 4. 2884 "Instructional personnel" means instructional personnel с. as defined in s. 1012.01(2)(a)-(d), excluding substitute 2885 2886 teachers. 2887 "Performance salary schedule" means the salary schedule d. 2888 or schedules adopted by a district school board pursuant to 2889 subparagraph 5. 2890 "Salary schedule" means the schedule or schedules used e. 2891 to provide the base salary for district school board personnel. 150157

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2892 f. "School administrator" means a school administrator as 2893 defined in s. 1012.01(3)(c).

g. "Supplement" means an annual addition to the base salary for the term of the negotiated supplement as long as the employee continues his or her employment for the purpose of the supplement. A supplement does not become part of the employee's continuing base salary but shall be considered compensation under s. 121.021(22).

2900 2. Cost-of-living adjustment.—A district school board may 2901 provide a cost-of-living salary adjustment if the adjustment:

a. Does not discriminate among comparable classes of
employees based upon the salary schedule under which they are
compensated.

2905 b. Does not exceed 50 percent of the annual adjustment 2906 provided to instructional personnel rated as effective.

3. Advanced degrees.—A district school board may not use advanced degrees in setting a salary schedule for instructional personnel or school administrators hired on or after July 1, 2010, unless the advanced degree is held in the individual's area of certification and is only a salary supplement.

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4. Grandfathered salary schedule.-

a. The district school board shall adopt a salary schedule
or salary schedules to be used as the basis for paying all
school employees hired before July 1, 2014. Instructional
personnel on annual contract as of July 1, 2014, shall be placed
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2917 on the performance salary schedule adopted under subparagraph 5. 2918 Instructional personnel on continuing contract or professional 2919 service contract may opt into the performance salary schedule if the employee relinquishes such contract and agrees to be 2920 2921 employed on an annual contract under s. 1012.335. Such an 2922 employee shall be placed on the performance salary schedule and 2923 may not return to continuing contract or professional service 2924 contract status. Any employee who opts into the performance 2925 salary schedule may not return to the grandfathered salary 2926 schedule.

2927 In determining the grandfathered salary schedule for b. 2928 instructional personnel, a district school board must base a 2929 portion of each employee's compensation upon performance 2930 demonstrated under s. 1012.34 and shall provide differentiated 2931 pay for both instructional personnel and school administrators 2932 based upon district-determined factors, including, but not 2933 limited to, additional responsibilities, school demographics, 2934 critical shortage areas, and level of job performance 2935 difficulties.

5. Performance salary schedule.-By July 1, 2014, the district school board shall adopt a performance salary schedule that provides annual salary adjustments for instructional personnel and school administrators based upon performance determined under s. 1012.34. Employees hired on or after July 1, 2014, or employees who choose to move from the grandfathered 150157

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2942 salary schedule to the performance salary schedule shall be 2943 compensated pursuant to the performance salary schedule once 2944 they have received the appropriate performance evaluation for 2945 this purpose.

2946 a. Base salary.—The base salary shall be established as 2947 follows:

(I) The base salary for instructional personnel or school administrators who opt into the performance salary schedule shall be the salary paid in the prior year, including adjustments only.

2952 Instructional personnel or school administrators new (II)2953 to the district, returning to the district after a break in 2954 service without an authorized leave of absence, or appointed for 2955 the first time to a position in the district in the capacity of 2956 instructional personnel or school administrator shall be placed 2957 on the performance salary schedule. Beginning July 1, 2021, and 2958 until such time as the minimum base salary as defined in s. 2959 1011.62(14) equals or exceeds \$47,500, the annual increase to 2960 the minimum base salary shall not be less than 150 percent of 2961 the largest adjustment made to the salary of an employee on the 2962 grandfathered salary schedule. Thereafter, the annual increase 2963 to the minimum base salary shall not be less than 75 percent of 2964 the largest adjustment for an employee on the grandfathered 2965 salary schedule.

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2966 b. Salary adjustments.—Salary adjustments for highly 2967 effective or effective performance shall be established as 2968 follows:

(I) The annual salary adjustment under the performance salary schedule for an employee rated as highly effective must be at least 25 percent greater than the highest annual salary adjustment available to an employee of the same classification through any other salary schedule adopted by the district.

(II) The annual salary adjustment under the performance salary schedule for an employee rated as effective must be equal to at least 50 percent and no more than 75 percent of the annual adjustment provided for a highly effective employee of the same classification.

(III) A salary schedule shall not provide an annual salary adjustment for an employee who receives a rating other than highly effective or effective for the year.

2982 c. Salary supplements.—In addition to the salary 2983 adjustments, each district school board shall provide for salary 2984 supplements for activities that must include, but are not 2985 limited to:

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(I) Assignment to a Title I eligible school.

(II) Assignment to a school that earned a grade of "F" or three consecutive grades of "D" pursuant to s. 1008.34 such that the supplement remains in force for at least 1 year following improved performance in that school.

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2991 (III) Certification and teaching in critical teacher 2992 shortage areas. Statewide critical teacher shortage areas shall 2993 be identified by the State Board of Education under s. 1012.07. 2994 However, the district school board may identify other areas of 2995 critical shortage within the school district for purposes of 2996 this sub-subparagraph and may remove areas identified by the 2997 state board which do not apply within the school district. 2998 Assignment of additional academic responsibilities. (IV) 2999 3000 If budget constraints in any given year limit a district school 3001 board's ability to fully fund all adopted salary schedules, the 3002 performance salary schedule shall not be reduced on the basis of 3003 total cost or the value of individual awards in a manner that is 3004 proportionally greater than reductions to any other salary 3005 schedules adopted by the district. Any compensation for 3006 longevity of service awarded to instructional personnel who are 3007 on any other salary schedule must be included in calculating the 3008 salary adjustments required by sub-subparagraph b. 3009 Section 47. Section 1012.44, Florida Statutes, is amended 3010 to read: 3011 1012.44 Qualifications for certain persons providing speech-language services.-The State Board of Education shall 3012 3013 adopt rules for speech-language services to school districts 3014 that qualify for additional full-time equivalent membership under s. 1011.62(1)(f) the sparsity supplement as described in 3015 150157 Approved For Filing: 5/2/2023 12:28:06 PM

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3016 s. 1011.62(7). These services may be provided by baccalaureate 3017 degree level persons for a period of 3 years. The rules shall authorize the delivery of speech-language services by 3019 baccalaureate degree level persons under the direction of a 3020 certified speech-language pathologist with a master's degree or higher.

3022 Section 48. Subsections (1) and (4) of section 1012.584, 3023 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

30241012.584Continuing education and inservice training for3025youth mental health awareness and assistance.-

3026 Beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, The (1)3027 Department of Education shall establish an evidence-based youth 3028 mental health awareness and assistance training program to help 3029 school personnel identify and understand the signs of emotional 3030 disturbance, mental illness, and substance use disorders and 3031 provide such personnel with the skills to help a person who is 3032 developing or experiencing an emotional disturbance, mental 3033 health, or substance use problem.

(4) Each school district shall notify all school personnel who have received training pursuant to this section of mental health services that are available in the school district, and the individual to contact if a student needs services. The term "mental health services" includes, but is not limited to, community mental health services, health care providers, and

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3040 services provided under ss. 1006.04 and 1006.041 ss. 1006.04 1011.62(13). 3041 3042 Section 49. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section 3043 1012.586, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 3044 1012.586 Additions or changes to certificates; duplicate 3045 certificates; reading endorsement pathways.-3046 (2)3047 As part of adopting a pathway pursuant to paragraph (b) 3048 (a), the department shall review the competencies for the 3049 reading endorsement and subject area examinations for educator 3050 certificates identified pursuant to s. 1012.585(3)(f) for 3051 alignment with evidence-based instructional and intervention 3052 strategies rooted in the science of reading and identified 3053 pursuant to s. $1001.215(7) = \frac{1001.215(8)}{1001.215(8)}$ and recommend changes 3054 to the State Board of Education. Recommended changes must 3055 address identification of the characteristics of conditions such 3056 as dyslexia, implementation of evidence-based classroom 3057 instruction and interventions, including evidence-based reading 3058 instruction and interventions specifically for students with 3059 characteristics of dyslexia, and effective progress monitoring. 3060 By July 1, 2023, each school district reading endorsement add-on 3061 program must be resubmitted for approval by the department 3062 consistent with this paragraph. 3063 Section 50. Section 1012.71, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 3064 150157 Approved For Filing: 5/2/2023 12:28:06 PM

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3065 1012.71 The Florida Teachers Classroom Supply Assistance 3066 Program.-3067 For purposes of the Florida Teachers Classroom Supply (1)3068 Assistance Program, the term "classroom teacher" means a 3069 certified teacher employed by a public school district or a 3070 public charter school in that district on or before September 1 3071 of each year whose full-time or job-share responsibility is the 3072 classroom instruction of students in prekindergarten through 3073 grade 12, including full-time media specialists and certified 3074 school counselors serving students in prekindergarten through 3075 grade 12, who are funded through the Florida Education Finance 3076 Program. A "job-share" classroom teacher is one of two teachers 3077 whose combined full-time equivalent employment for the same 3078 teaching assignment equals one full-time classroom teacher. 3079 The amount of funds per classroom teacher for the (2)3080 Florida Teachers Classroom Supply Assistance Program shall be 3081 specified The Legislature, in the General Appropriations Act_{τ} 3082 shall determine funding for the Florida Teachers Classroom 3083 Supply Assistance Program. Classroom teachers shall use the 3084 funds appropriated are for classroom teachers to purchase, on 3085 behalf of the school district or charter school, classroom 3086 materials and supplies for the public school students assigned 3087 to them and may not be used to purchase equipment. The funds 3088 appropriated shall be used to supplement the materials and 3089 supplies otherwise available to classroom teachers. From the 150157

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3090 funds appropriated for the Florida Teachers Classroom Supply 3091 Assistance Program, the Commissioner of Education shall 3092 calculate an amount for each school district based upon each 3093 school district's proportionate share of the state's total 3094 unweighted FTE student enrollment and shall disburse the funds 3095 to the school districts by July 15. 3096 (3) From the funds allocated to each school district and 3097 any funds received from local contributions for the Florida 3098 Teachers Classroom Supply Assistance Program, the district 3099 school board shall calculate an identical amount for each 3100 classroom teacher who is estimated to be employed by the school 3101 district or a charter school in the district on September 1 of 3102 each year, which is that teacher's proportionate share of the 3103 total amount allocated to the district from state funds and 3104 funds received from local contributions. A job-share classroom 3105 teacher may receive a prorated share of the amount provided to a 3106 full-time classroom teacher. For a classroom teachers teacher 3107 determined eligible on July 1, the district school board and 3108 each charter school board shall may provide such classroom 3109 teachers the teacher with their amount as specified in the 3110 General Appropriations Act his or her total proportionate share by August 1. For classroom teachers based on the estimate of the 3111 3112 number of teachers who will be employed on September 1. For a classroom teacher determined eligible after July 1, the district 3113 school board and each charter school board shall provide such 3114 150157

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3115	classroom teachers with their amount as specified in the General			
3116	Appropriations Act the teacher with his or her total			
3117	proportionate share by September 30. <u>A job-share classroom</u>			
3118	teacher may receive a prorated share of the amount provided to a			
3119	full-time classroom teacher The proportionate share may be			
3120	provided by any means determined appropriate by the district			
3121	school board or charter school board, including, but not limited			
3122	to, direct deposit, check, debit card, or purchasing card. If a			
3123	debit card is used, an identifier must be placed on the front of			
3124	the debit card which clearly indicates that the card has been			
3125	issued for the Florida Teachers Classroom Supply Assistance			
3126	Program. Expenditures under the program are not subject to state			
3127	or local competitive bidding requirements. Funds received by a			
3128	classroom teacher do not affect wages, hours, or terms and			
3129	conditions of employment and, therefore, are not subject to			
3130	collective bargaining. Any classroom teacher may decline receipt			
3131	of or return the funds without explanation or cause.			
3132	(4) The Department of Education shall administer a			
3133	competitive procurement through which eligible classroom			
3134	teachers may purchase classroom materials and supplies.			
3135	Annually, by September 1, each school district shall submit to			
3136	the department:			
3137	(a) The name of each eligible classroom teacher.			

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3138	8 (b) The proportionate share of the amount as specified			
3139	the General Appropriations Act for each eligible job-share			
3140	<u>classroom teacher.</u>			
3141	(c) The name and Master School Identification Number of			
3142	the school in which the eligible classroom teacher is assigned.			
3143	(d) Any other information necessary for the administration			
3144	of the program as determined by the department.			
3145	<u>(5)</u> (4) Each classroom teacher must sign a statement			
3146	acknowledging receipt of the funds, keep receipts for no less			
3147	than 4 years to show that funds expended meet the requirements			
3148	of this section, and return any unused funds to the district			
3149	school board at the end of the regular school year. Any unused			
3150	funds that are returned to the district school board shall be			
3151	deposited into the school advisory council account of the school			
3152	at which the classroom teacher returning the funds was employed			
3153	when that teacher received the funds were made available to the			
3154	classroom teacher. If the school does not have a school advisory			
3155	council, the funds shall be expended for classroom materials and			
3156	supplies as determined by the school principal or deposited into			
3157	the Florida Teachers Classroom Supply Assistance Program account			
3158	of the school district in which a charter school is sponsored,			
3159	as applicable.			
3160	(5) The statement must be signed and dated by each			
3161	classroom teacher before receipt of the Florida Teachers			
3162	Classroom Supply Assistance Program funds and shall include the			
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3163	wording: "I, (name of teacher), am employed by the			
3164	County District School Board or by theCharter School as			
3165	a full-time classroom teacher. I acknowledge that Florida			
3166	Teachers Classroom Supply Assistance Program funds are			
3167	appropriated by the Legislature for the sole purpose of			
3168	purchasing classroom materials and supplies to be used in the			
3169	instruction of students assigned to me. In accepting custody of			
3170	these funds, I agree to keep the receipts for all expenditures			
3171	for no less than 4 years. I understand that if I do not keep the			
3172	receipts, it will be my personal responsibility to pay any			
3173	federal taxes due on these funds. I also agree to return any			
3174	unexpended funds to the district school board at the end of the			
3175	regular school year for deposit into the school advisory council			
3176	account of the school where I was employed at the time I			
3177	received the funds or for deposit into the Florida Teachers			
3178	Classroom Supply Assistance Program account of the school			
3179	district in which the charter school is sponsored, as			
3180	applicable."			
3181	(6) The Department of Education and district school boards			
3182	may, and are encouraged to, enter into public-private			
3183	partnerships in order to increase the total amount of Florida			
3184	Teachers Classroom Supply Assistance Programs funds available to			
3185	classroom teachers.			
3186	Section 51. Section 1012.715, Florida Statutes, is created			
3187	to read:			
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3213	(d) Documentation that he or she agrees to maintain			
3214	employment with the school district or charter school for a			
3215	minimum of 2 consecutive school years upon receipt of the sign-			
3216	<u>on bonus. An individual who accepts a sign-on bonus pursuant to</u>			
3217	this section but fails to maintain his or her employment			
3218	pursuant to this paragraph must reimburse the department the			
3219	amount of the sign-on bonus in a manner prescribed by the			
3220	department.			
3221	(3) DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION RESPONSIBILITIESThe			
3222	department shall distribute bonuses pursuant to this section			
3223	and, at a minimum, must:			
3224	(a) Establish a method for determining the estimated			
3225	number of eligible honorably discharged or retired military			
3226	veterans and retired first responders to be hired in the			
3227	applicable fiscal year.			
3228	(b) Establish additional minimum criteria necessary for an			
3229	individual to be eligible for a sign-on bonus.			
3230	(c) Establish an estimated cost to the department for			
3231	developing and administering the bonus program.			
3232	(d) Establish a method for an individual to reimburse the			
3233	department if he or she receives the sign-on bonus but does not			
3234	maintain employment for the required consecutive 2-year period.			
3235	(e) Identify courses that are in high-demand teacher need			
3236	areas in which honorably discharged or retired military veterans			

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or retired first responders may teach to be eligible for an additional bonus. (4) SCHOOL DISTRICT RESPONSIBILITIES.—A school district that employs an eligible honorably discharged or retired military veteran or retired first responder must: (a) Provide any necessary information requested by the		
(4) SCHOOL DISTRICT RESPONSIBILITIES.—A school district that employs an eligible honorably discharged or retired military veteran or retired first responder must:		
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military veteran or retired first responder must:		
(a) Provide any necessary information requested by the		
department.		
(b) In a manner established by the department, notify the		
eligible honorably discharged or retired military veteran or		
retired first responder that employment may impact his or her		
pension from a previous employer.		
(5) RULEMAKINGThe State Board of Education may adopt		
rules to implement this section.		
Section 52. The Division of Law Revision is directed to		
revise the title of subpart D of part I of chapter 1011, Florida		
Statutes, consisting of ss. 1011.55-1011.59, Florida Statutes,		
to read "Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind and Florida		
School for Competitive Academics: Preparation, Adoption, and		
Implementation of Budgets" to conform to the amendments made by		
this act.		
Section 53. The amendments made by this act to s. 1003.03,		
Florida Statutes, shall not take effect if HB 633 or similar		
legislation is adopted in the same legislative session or an		
extension thereof and becomes a law.		

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3261		Section 54. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
3262	act,	this act shall take effect July 1, 2023.
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3265		TITLE AMENDMENT
3266		Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:
3267		A bill to be entitled
3268		An act relating to education; amending 11.45, F.S.;
3269		revising the duties of the Auditor General to conform
3270		to changes made by the act; amending s. 110.1228,
3271		F.S.; conforming a cross-reference; amending s.
3272		216.251, F.S.; providing the manner of setting
3273		salaries for positions within the Florida School for
3274		Competitive Academics; amending s. 402.22, F.S.;
3275		conforming a cross-reference; amending s. 447.203,
3276		F.S.; revising the definition of the terms "public
3277		employer" or "employer" to include the Florida School
3278		for Competitive Academics for purposes of part II of
3279		ch. 447, F.S.; making technical changes; amending s.
3280		1000.04, F.S.; revising the components of the delivery
3281		of public education within the Florida Early Learning-
3282		20 education system to include the Florida School for
3283		Competitive Academics; amending s. 1000.071, F.S.;
3284		providing applicability relating to the use of
3285		personal titles and pronouns in certain K-12
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3286 educational institutions; amending s. 1001.20, F.S.; 3287 revising the powers of the Department of Education's 3288 Office of Inspector General to conform to changes made 3289 by the act; amending s. 1001.215, F.S.; revising 3290 duties of the Just Read, Florida! Office; amending s. 3291 1001.26, F.S.; requiring the department to provide 3292 funds to certain radio stations; amending s. 1001.42, 3293 F.S.; providing an exemption to collective bargaining 3294 requirements under specified circumstances; amending 3295 s. 1001.43, F.S.; authorizing district school boards 3296 to adopt policies for an enrollment fee for specified 3297 summer courses; providing fee requirements; amending 3298 s. 1002.32, F.S.; revising funding requirements for 3299 developmental research schools; conforming provisions 3300 to changes made by the act; creating s. 1002.351, 3301 F.S.; providing for the establishment of the Florida 3302 School for Competitive Academics; providing for the 3303 purpose and mission of the school; requiring the 3304 school to be included in a certain online portal; 3305 requiring the portal to include information for 3306 parents on submitting educational records for 3307 admission purposes; providing for the appointment of 3308 the board of trustees; prescribing the powers and 3309 duties of the board of trustees; providing sovereign 3310 immunity to the board of trustees; specifying the 150157

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3311 board's duties regarding the maintenance of student 3312 and employee records; providing requirements regarding 3313 background screening of school personnel; specifying duties of the board regarding personnel; requiring the 3314 3315 Auditor General to conduct audits of the school; 3316 authorizing the department's Office of Inspector 3317 General to conduct investigations, as appropriate; 3318 exempting the school from specified requirements in 3319 the Florida Early Learning-20 Education Code; 3320 providing exceptions; specifying applicability of certain provisions of law; amending s. 1002.37, F.S.; 3321 3322 revising funding requirements for the Florida Virtual 3323 School; conforming provisions to changes made by the 3324 act; amending s. 1002.394, F.S.; revising funding 3325 requirements for the Family Empowerment Scholarship 3326 Program; conforming provisions to changes made by the 3327 act; amending s. 1002.45, F.S.; revising the 3328 enrollment limitation on certain students; conforming 3329 provisions to changes made by this act; amending ss. 3330 1002.59, 1002.71, 1002.84, and 1002.89, F.S.; conforming provisions and cross-references to changes 3331 3332 made by the act; amending s. 1002.995, F.S.; revising 3333 eligibility requirements for providing incentives to 3334 certain early learning personnel; amending s. 1003.03, F.S.; conforming a provision to changes made by the 3335 150157

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3336 act; creating s. 1003.4201, F.S.; requiring school 3337 districts to implement a system of comprehensive 3338 reading instruction for specified students that includes a specified plan; providing plan 3339 3340 requirements; providing school district and department 3341 requirements; defining the term "evidence-based"; 3342 amending ss. 1003.485, 1003.621, and 1004.935, F.S.; 3343 conforming provisions and cross-references to changes 3344 made by the act; creating s. 1006.041, F.S.; requiring 3345 school districts to implement a school-based mental 3346 health assistance program for specified students that 3347 includes a specified plan; providing plan and school 3348 district requirements; amending s. 1006.07, F.S.; 3349 conforming provisions to changes made by the act; 3350 amending s. 1006.1493, F.S.; requiring school 3351 districts to annually report specified information 3352 relating to the Florida Safe Schools Assessment Tool 3353 to the Office of Safe Schools; amending s. 1006.28, 3354 F.S.; defining the term "library media center"; 3355 requiring district school superintendents to annually 3356 certify specified information to the Commissioner of 3357 Education; exempting certain instructional materials 3358 from specified procedures; amending s. 1006.40, F.S.; 3359 revising requirements for the instructional materials 3360 allocation and the purchase of instructional

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3361 materials; conforming provisions to changes made by 3362 the act; amending s. 1007.271, F.S.; requiring school 3363 districts to pay for the cost of specified 3364 instructional materials; amending ss. 1008.25 and 3365 1008.345, F.S.; conforming provisions and cross-3366 references to changes made by the act; amending s. 3367 1008.365, F.S.; revising requirements for the Reading 3368 Achievement Initiative for Scholastic Excellence 3369 Program; conforming cross-references; amending s. 3370 1010.20, F.S.; conforming cross-references; creating 3371 s. 1011.58, F.S.; prescribing procedures for the 3372 Florida School for Competitive Academics submission of 3373 legislative budget requests; requiring the school to 3374 submit an implementation plan to the department; 3375 requiring the Commissioner of Education to include the 3376 school in the department's legislative budget request, 3377 subject to specified conditions; requiring the school 3378 to submit its fixed capital outlay request to the 3379 department; creating s. 1011.59, F.S.; prescribing 3380 procedures and requirements governing the request and 3381 the appropriation of funds for the operation of the 3382 Florida School for Competitive Academics; requiring 3383 the school's board of trustees to develop an annual 3384 operating budget; requiring the Chief Financial Officer to transfer or reallocate funds, subject to 3385 150157

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3386 specified conditions; requiring the board to establish 3387 authorized positions within funds appropriated to the 3388 school; providing for the carryforward of any 3389 unexpended funds; amending s. 1011.61, F.S.; 3390 conforming cross-references; amending s. 1011.62, 3391 F.S.; revising provisions relating to the Florida 3392 Education Finance Program; revising the calculation of 3393 the cost factor for secondary career education 3394 programs, the annual allocation to each school 3395 district, and the funding model for exceptional 3396 student education programs; creating the calculation 3397 of additional full-time equivalent membership for 3398 small school district exceptional student education 3399 and the small district factor; providing requirements 3400 for such calculation and factor; deleting the 3401 supplemental academic instruction allocation; renaming 3402 the "district cost differential" as the "comparable 3403 wage factor"; revising the calculation of such factor; 3404 creating the state-funded discretionary contribution; 3405 providing requirements for such contribution; creating 3406 the educational enrichment allocation and the 3407 exceptional student education guaranteed allocation; 3408 providing requirements for such allocations; deleting 3409 the categorical funds, determination of sparsity supplement, evidence-based reading instruction 3410

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3411 allocation, requirements for computation of prior year district required local effort, and turnaround school 3412 3413 supplemental services allocation; revising the 3414 calculation of the supplemental allocation for 3415 juvenile justice education programs; revising 3416 requirements for the safe schools allocation and the 3417 mental health assistance allocation; renaming the 3418 teacher salary increase allocation as the classroom 3419 teacher and other instructional personnel salary 3420 increase; revising the requirements for such increase; creating the state-funded discretionary supplement, 3421 3422 the categorical funds, and the educational enrollment 3423 stabilization program; providing requirements for the 3424 supplement, funds, and program; deleting the 3425 calculations for the computation of prior year 3426 district required local effort and the turnaround 3427 school supplemental services allocation; conforming 3428 provisions and cross-references to changes made by the 3429 act; amending s. 1011.622, F.S.; conforming a cross-3430 reference; repealing s. 1011.67, F.S., relating to 3431 funds for instructional materials; amending ss. 3432 1011.69, 1011.84, 1012.22, 1012.44, 1012.584, and 3433 1012.586, F.S.; conforming provisions and cross-3434 references to changes made by the act; amending s. 3435 1012.71, F.S.; revising provisions for the calculation 150157

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3436 of Florida Teachers Classroom Supply Assistance 3437 Program funds; deleting provisions relating to the 3438 distribution of program funds; requiring the 3439 department to administer a competitive procurement 3440 through which eligible classroom teachers may purchase 3441 classroom materials and supplies; requiring school 3442 districts to provide certain information to the 3443 department annually by a specified date; deleting a 3444 requirement that classroom teachers sign a specified 3445 statement; revising requirements for unused funds; 3446 creating s. 1012.715, F.S.; requiring the department 3447 to provide a one-time sign-on bonus to honorably 3448 discharged and retired military veterans and retired 3449 first responders who join the teaching profession; 3450 providing eligibility criteria; providing for an 3451 additional bonus under certain circumstances; 3452 providing department and school district 3453 responsibilities; authorizing the State Board of 3454 Education to adopt rules; providing a directive to the 3455 Division of Law Revision; providing for contingent 3456 effect of specified provisions; providing effective 3457 dates.

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