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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate Comm: RCS 04/09/2025

The Committee on Fiscal Policy (Calatayud) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Paragraphs (d) and (f) of subsection (2) of section 11.45, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

11.45 Definitions; duties; authorities; reports; rules.-

(2) DUTIES.-The Auditor General shall:

(d) Annually conduct financial audits of the accounts and records of all district school boards in counties with

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11 populations of <u>less</u> fewer than 150,000, according to the most 12 recent federal decennial statewide census; <u>and</u> the Florida 13 School for the Deaf and the Blind; and the Florida School for 14 Competitive Academics.

(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, <u>and</u> the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, and the Florida School for Competitive Academics.

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).

Section 2. Subsection (5) is added to section 11.51, Florida Statutes, to read:

11.51 Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability.-

(5) The Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability may develop contracts or agreements with institutions in the State University System to use the expertise of state university faculty and research staff to provide assistance in analysis and evaluative research. Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 216.251, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

216.251 Salary appropriations; limitations.-

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40 (2) (a) The salary for each position not specifically
41 indicated in the appropriations acts shall be as provided in one
42 of the following subparagraphs:

43 1. Within the classification and pay plans provided for in44 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.

4. Within the classification and pay plan approved by the
President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of
Representatives, as the case may be, for employees of the
Legislature.

5. Within the approved classification and pay plan for the judicial branch.

59 6. Within the classification and pay plans established by 60 the Board of Trustees for the Florida School for Competitive 61 Academics of the Department of Education and approved by the 62 State Board of Education for academic and academic 63 administrative personnel.

64 Section 4. Subsection (9) of section 251.001, Florida 65 Statutes, is amended to read:

(9) REIMBURSEMENT, BENEFIT, AND COMPENSATION.-

251.001 Florida State Guard Act.-

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(a) The division shall reimburse members of the Florida

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69 State Guard for per diem and travel expenses incurred to attend 70 required training or in the course of active service as provided 71 in s. 112.061.

(b) Members of the Florida State Guard may be compensated for time spent training or in the course of active service at rates established by the director, subject to appropriation.

(c) A member of the Florida State Guard may not make any purchase or enter into any contract or agreement for purchases or services as a charge against the state without the authority of the director.

(d) As a benefit to the active members of the Florida State Guard, subject to approval by the director of the Division of the State Guard, each state university and Florida College System institution shall waive tuition and fees for active members of the Florida State Guard to enroll for up to 6 credit hours of courses per term on a space-available basis.

Section 5. Subsections (3) and (4) of section 288.036, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

288.036 Ocean economy development.-

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(3) The Office of Ocean Economy shall:

89 (a) Develop and undertake activities and strategies with a
90 focus on research and development, technological innovation,
91 emerging industries, strategic business recruitment, public and
92 private funding opportunities, and workforce training and
93 education to promote and stimulate the ocean economy.

94 (b)1. <u>Collaborate</u> Foster relationships and coordinate with 95 state universities, private universities, <u>career centers</u>, and 96 Florida College System institutions, including <u>the College of</u> 97 <u>the Florida Keys</u>, to periodically <u>survey</u> surveying the

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98 development of academic research relating to the ocean economy 99 across all disciplines and facilitating the transfer of 100 innovative technology into marketable goods and services. The 101 office shall encourage collaboration between state universities 102 and Florida College System institutions that have overlapping 103 areas of academic research.

2. Include and update on the office's website information related to:

a. An inventory of current research and current collaborations, including contact information; and

b. Any available resources for research and technology development, including financial opportunities.

(c) Collaborate with relevant industries to identify economic challenges that may be solved through innovation in the ocean economy, including commercializing or otherwise facilitating public access to academic research and resources, removing governmental barriers, <u>strengthening the workforce</u>, and maximizing access to financial or other opportunities for growth and development.

(d) Develop and facilitate a pipeline for innovative ideas and strategies to be created, developed, researched, commercialized, and financed. This includes promotion and coordination of industry collaboration, academic research, accelerator programs, training and technical assistance, and startup or second-stage funding opportunities.

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(e) Maintain and update on the office's website:

<u>1.</u> Reports and data on the number, growth, and average wages of jobs included in the ocean economy; the impacts on the number, growth, and development of businesses in the ocean

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127	economy; and the collaboration, transition, or adoption of
128	innovation and research into new, viable ideas employed in the
129	ocean economy.
130	2. A current inventory of programs related to the ocean
131	economy, an evaluation of additional opportunities to earn
132	credentials, and the institutions or training providers where
133	such credentials may be earned.
134	(f) Educate other state and local entities on the interests
135	of the ocean economy and how such entities may positively
136	address environmental issues while simultaneously considering
137	the economic impact of their policies.
138	(g) Communicate the state's role as an integral component
139	of the ocean economy by promoting the state on national and
140	international platforms and other appropriate forums as the
141	premier destination for convening on pertinent subject matters.
142	(h) Collaborate with public and private educational and
143	industry organizations to make recommendations:
144	1. For strengthening employment opportunities in:
145	a. Commercial fishing;
146	b. Fisheries and aquaculture, marine and freshwater;
147	c. Processing and preserving fish, crustaceans, and
148	mollusks;
149	d. Shipbuilding and repair; and
150	e. Shipping, water transport such as sea and coastal and
151	inland water transportation of both freight and passengers,
152	ports, and related services and support activities.
153	2. Regarding the expansion of existing maritime programs
154	and the addition of new programs and strategies for a public
155	awareness campaign.

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156	3. To increase the availability of dual enrollment,
157	preapprenticeship and apprenticeship, and work-study programs at
158	both public and private institutions.
159	4. For aligning the regulatory framework for fishing and
160	boat operations with the demand for personnel through
161	consultation with the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.
162	(4) By August 1, 2025, and each August 1 thereafter, the
163	office shall provide to the Board of Governors, the Governor,
164	the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of
165	Representatives and post on its website a detailed report <u>on</u>
166	demonstrating the economic benefits of the office and the
167	development of emerging ocean economy industries. By August 1,
168	2026, the report must include the recommendations in paragraph
169	<u>(3)(h)</u> .
170	Section 6. Subsection (4) of section 381.853, Florida
171	Statutes, is amended to read:
172	381.853 Florida Center for Brain Tumor Research
173	(4) There is established within the center a scientific
174	advisory council that includes biomedical researchers,
175	physicians, clinicians, and representatives from public and
176	private universities and hospitals. The council shall meet at
177	least annually.
178	(a) The council shall consist of members appointed by the
179	President of the University of Florida, in consultation with the
180	dean of the University of Florida College of Medicine:
181	1. Two members from the Florida Center for Brain Tumor
182	Research within the Evelyn F. and William L. McKnight Brain
183	Institute of the University of Florida appointed by the
184	Governor.



185 2. Two members from The Scripps Research Institute, one of 186 whom must have expertise in basic brain tumor research_{au} 187 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. 188 3. Two members from other public and private universities 189 and institutions directly involved in brain tumor research 190 appointed by the President of the Senate. 191 4. One member from the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville who is 192 directly involved in the treatment of brain tumor patients or 193 who has expertise in basic brain tumor research appointed by the 194 State Surgeon General. 195 5. Two members from the Cleveland Clinic in Florida who are 196 directly involved in basic brain tumor research appointed by the 197 Governor. 198 6. One member from the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and 199 Research Institute who is directly involved in the treatment of 200 brain tumor patients or who has expertise in basic brain tumor 201 research appointed by the Speaker of the House of 202 Representatives. 7. One member from the M. D. Anderson Cancer Center Orlando 203 204 who is directly involved in the treatment of brain tumor 205 patients or who has expertise in basic brain tumor research 206 appointed by the President of the Senate. 207 (b) Council members shall serve staggered 4-year terms. 2.08 (c) Council members shall serve without compensation, and 209 each organization represented shall cover all expenses of its 210 representative. 211 Section 7. Paragraphs (d) and (f) of subsection (1) of 212 section 413.407, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

413.407 Assistive Technology Advisory Council.-There is

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214 created the Assistive Technology Advisory Council, responsible 215 for ensuring consumer involvement in the creation, application, 216 and distribution of technology-related assistance to and for persons who have disabilities. The council shall fulfill its 217 218 responsibilities through statewide policy development, state and 219 federal legislative initiatives, advocacy at the state and 220 federal levels, planning of statewide resource allocations, 221 policy-level management, and reviews of consumer responsiveness 2.2.2 and the adequacy of program service delivery and by performing 223 the functions listed in this section.

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(d) Members of the council must be geographically representative of the state and reflect the diversity of the state's population with respect to race, ethnicity, gender, age, type of disability, and type of disability-related services and devices received.

230 (f)1. Each member of the council shall serve for a term of 231 not more than 5 + 3 years, except that a member appointed to fill 232 a vacancy occurring before the expiration of the term for which 233 a predecessor was appointed shall be appointed for the remainder 234 of such term.

235 2. A member of the council may not serve more than two 236 consecutive terms; however, any appointment under subparagraph 237 1., if for less than 18 months, is not considered a term for the 238 purposes of this section.

3. A member who has served two consecutive terms and has
been retired from the council for at least 3 years may be
reappointed to the council on the same basis as a new member.
Section 8. Subsection (3) of section 435.12, Florida

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Statutes, is amended to read: 435.12 Care Provider Background Screening Clearinghouse.-244

(3) (a) Employees of each district unit under s. 1001.30, special district units under s. 1011.24, the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind under s. 1002.36, the Florida Virtual School under s. 1002.37, virtual instruction programs under s. 1002.45, charter schools under s. 1002.33, hope operators under s. 1002.333, private schools participating in an educational 251 scholarship program established pursuant to chapter 1002, and 252 alternative schools under s. 1008.341 must be rescreened in 253 compliance with the following schedule:

1. Employees for whom the last screening was conducted on or before June 30, 2021, must be rescreened by December 1 June 30, 2025.

2. Employees for whom the last screening was conducted between July 1, 2021, and June 30, 2022, must be rescreened by December 1 June 30, 2026.

3. Employees for whom the last screening was conducted between July 1, 2022, and December 31, 2023, must be rescreened by December 1 June 30, 2027.

Section 9. Subsection (2) of section 446.032, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

265 446.032 General duties of the department for apprenticeship 266 training.-The department shall:

267 (2) By November 30 September 1 of each year, publish an 268 annual report on apprenticeship and preapprenticeship programs. 269 The report must be published on the department's website and, at 270 a minimum, include all of the following:

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(a) A list of registered apprenticeship and

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272 preapprenticeship programs, sorted by local educational agency, 273 as defined in s. 1004.02(18), and apprenticeship sponsor, under s. 446.071. 274

275 (b) A detailed summary of each local educational agency's 276 expenditure of funds for apprenticeship and preapprenticeship 277 programs, including:

1. The total amount of funds received for apprenticeship and preapprenticeship programs.

2. The total amount of funds allocated by training 281 provider, program, and occupation.

282 3. The total amount of funds expended for administrative 283 costs by training provider, program, and occupation.

4. The total amount of funds expended for instructional costs by training provider, program, and occupation.

(c) The number of apprentices and preapprentices per trade and occupation.

(d) The percentage of apprentices and preapprentices who complete their respective programs in the appropriate timeframe.

Information and resources related to applications for (e) new apprenticeship programs and technical assistance and requirements for potential applicants.

293 (f) Documentation of activities conducted by the department 294 to promote apprenticeship and preapprenticeship programs through 295 public engagement, community-based partnerships, and other 296 initiatives and the outcomes of such activities and their impact 297 on establishing or expanding apprenticeship and 298 preapprenticeship programs.

299 (g) Retention and completion rates of participants disaggregated by training provider, program, and occupation. 300

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301 (h) Wage progression of participants as demonstrated by 302 starting, exit, and postapprenticeship wages at 1 and 5 years 303 after participants exit the program.

304 Section 10. Subsection (12) of section 446.041, Florida 305 Statutes, is amended to read:

446.041 Duties of the department.-The department shall:

(12) Ensure that <u>underrepresented groups</u> minority and gender diversity are considered in administering this program.

Section 11. Subsection (2) of section 447.203, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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447.203 Definitions.-As used in this part:

312 (2) "Public employer" or "employer" means the state or any 313 county, municipality, or special district or any subdivision or 314 agency thereof which the commission determines has sufficient 315 legal distinctiveness properly to carry out the functions of a 316 public employer. With respect to all public employees determined 317 by the commission as properly belonging to a statewide 318 bargaining unit composed of State Career Service System 319 employees or Selected Professional Service employees, the 320 Governor is deemed to be the public employer; and the Board of 321 Governors of the State University System, or the board's 322 designee, is deemed to be the public employer with respect to 323 all public employees of each constituent state university. The 324 board of trustees of a community college is deemed to be the 325 public employer with respect to all employees of the community 326 college. The district school board is deemed to be the public 327 employer with respect to all employees of the school district. 328 The Board of Trustees of the Florida School for the Deaf and the 329 Blind is deemed to be the public employer with respect to the

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330 academic and academic administrative personnel of the Florida 331 School for the Deaf and the Blind. The Board of Trustees of the Florida School for Competitive Academics is deemed to be the 332 333 public employer with respect to the academic and academic 334 administrative personnel of the Florida School for Competitive 335 Academics. The Governor is deemed to be the public employer with 336 respect to all employees in the Correctional Education Program 337 of the Department of Corrections established pursuant to s. 944.801. 338

339 Section 12. Subsection (7) of section 1000.04, Florida 340 Statutes, is amended to read:

341 1000.04 Components for the delivery of public education 342 within the Florida Early Learning-20 education system.-Florida's 343 Early Learning-20 education system provides for the delivery of 344 early learning and public education through publicly supported 345 and controlled K-12 schools, Florida College System 346 institutions, state universities and other postsecondary 347 educational institutions, other educational institutions, and 348 other educational services as provided or authorized by the 349 Constitution and laws of the state.

350 (7) THE FLORIDA SCHOOL FOR COMPETITIVE ACADEMICS.—The 351 Florida School for Competitive Academics is a component of the 352 delivery of public education within Florida's Early Learning-20 353 education system.

Section 13. Subsection (1), paragraph (d) of subsection (2), paragraph (e) of subsection (3), and subsections (5) and (7) of section 1000.05, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

357 1000.05 Discrimination against students and employees in 358 the Florida K-20 public education system prohibited; equality of

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359 access required.-360 (1) This section may be cited as the "Florida Educational 361 Equality Equity Act."

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(d) Students may be separated by sex for a <u>single-sex</u> single-gender program, for any portion of a class that deals with human reproduction, or during participation in bodily contact sports. For the purpose of this section, bodily contact sports include wrestling, boxing, rugby, ice hockey, football, basketball, and other sports in which the purpose or major activity involves bodily contact.

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(e) A public school or Florida College System institution may provide separate toilet, locker room, and shower facilities on the basis of <u>sex gender</u>, but such facilities shall be comparable to such facilities provided for students of the other sex.

376 (5) Public schools and Florida College System institutions 377 shall develop and implement methods and strategies to increase 378 the participation of underrepresented students of a particular 379 race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or marital status 380 in programs and courses in which students of that particular 381 race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or marital status 382 have been traditionally underrepresented, including, but not 383 limited to, mathematics, science, computer technology, 384 electronics, communications technology, engineering, and career 385 education.

386 (7) The functions of the Office of Equal Educational387 Opportunity of the Department of Education shall include, but



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389 (a) Requiring all district school boards and Florida
390 College System institution boards of trustees to develop and
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392 Department of Education.

(b) Conducting periodic reviews of school districts and Florida College System institutions to determine compliance with this section and, after a finding that a school district or a Florida College System institution is not in compliance with this section, notifying the entity of the steps that it must take to attain compliance and performing <u>follow-up</u> followup monitoring.

(c) Providing technical assistance, including assisting school districts or Florida College System institutions in identifying unlawful discrimination and instructing them in remedies for correction and prevention of such discrimination and performing follow-up followup monitoring.

(d) Conducting studies of the effectiveness of methods and strategies designed to increase the participation of students in programs and courses in which students of a particular race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or marital status have been traditionally underrepresented and monitoring the success of students in such programs or courses, including performing follow-up followup monitoring.

(e) Requiring all district school boards and Florida
College System institution boards of trustees to submit data and
information necessary to determine compliance with this section.
The Commissioner of Education shall prescribe the format and the
date for submission of such data and any other educational

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417 equity data. If any board does not submit the required 418 compliance data or other required educational equity data by the 419 prescribed date, the commissioner shall notify the board of this 420 fact and, if the board does not take appropriate action to 421 immediately submit the required report, the State Board of 422 Education shall impose monetary sanctions.

423 (f) Based upon rules of the State Board of Education, 424 developing and implementing enforcement mechanisms with 425 appropriate penalties to ensure that public K-12 schools and 426 Florida College System institutions comply with Title IX of the 427 Education Amendments of 1972 and subsection (3) of this section. 428 However, the State Board of Education may not force a public 429 school or Florida College System institution to conduct, nor 430 penalize such entity for not conducting, a program of athletic 431 activity or athletic scholarship for female athletes unless it 432 is an athletic activity approved for women by a recognized 433 association whose purpose is to promote athletics and a 434 conference or league exists to promote interscholastic or 435 intercollegiate competition for women in that athletic activity.

436 (g) Reporting to The Commissioner of Education any district 437 school board or Florida College System institution board of 438 trustees found to be out of compliance with rules of the State 439 Board of Education adopted as required by paragraph (f) or 440 paragraph (3) (d). To penalize the board, the State Board of 441 Education shall:

442 1. Declare the school district or Florida College System
443 institution ineligible for competitive state grants.

444 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 216.192, direct the
445 Chief Financial Officer to withhold general revenue funds

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446	sufficient to obtain compliance from the school district or
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449	The school district or Florida College System institution shall
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452	Education approves a plan for compliance.
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454	The Commissioner of Education and the State Board of Education
455	shall use their authority under s. 1008.32 to enforce compliance
456	with this subsection.
457	Section 14. Paragraph (j) of subsection (5) of section
458	1000.21, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
459	1000.21 Systemwide definitions.—As used in the Florida
460	Early Learning-20 Education Code:
461	(5) "Florida College System institution" except as
462	otherwise specifically provided, includes all of the following
463	public postsecondary educational institutions in the Florida
464	College System and any branch campuses, centers, or other
465	affiliates of the institution:
466	(j) Hillsborough Community College, which serves
467	Hillsborough County.
468	Section 15. Paragraph (e) of subsection (4) of section
469	1001.20, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
470	1001.20 Department under direction of state board
471	(4) The Department of Education shall establish the
472	following offices within the Office of the Commissioner of
473	Education which shall coordinate their activities with all other
474	divisions and offices:

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475 (e) Office of Inspector General.-Organized using existing 476 resources and funds and responsible for promoting 477 accountability, efficiency, and effectiveness and detecting 478 fraud and abuse within school districts, the Florida School for 479 the Deaf and the Blind, the Florida School for Competitive 480 Academics, and Florida College System institutions in Florida. If the Commissioner of Education determines that a district 481 482 school board, the Board of Trustees for the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, the Board of Trustees for the Florida 483 484 School for Competitive Academics, or a Florida College System 485 institution board of trustees is unwilling or unable to address 486 substantiated allegations made by any person relating to waste, 487 fraud, or financial mismanagement within the school district, 488 the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, the Florida 489 School for Competitive Academics, or the Florida College System 490 institution, the office must conduct, coordinate, or request 491 investigations into such substantiated allegations. The office 492 shall investigate allegations or reports of possible fraud or 493 abuse against a district school board made by any member of the 494 Cabinet; the presiding officer of either house of the 495 Legislature; a chair of a substantive or appropriations 496 committee with jurisdiction; or a member of the board for which 497 an investigation is sought. The office may investigate 498 allegations or reports of suspected violations of a student's, 499 parent's, or teacher's rights. The office shall have access to 500 all information and personnel necessary to perform its duties 501 and shall have all of its current powers, duties, and 502 responsibilities authorized in s. 20.055.

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Section 16. Section 1001.325, Florida Statutes, is created

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5051001.325 Prohibited expenditures (1) A public school, charter school, school district,506(1) A public school, charter school, school district,507charter school administrator, or direct-support organization may not expend any funds, regardless of source, to purchase509membership in, or goods and services from, any organization that discriminates on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or religion.512(2) A public school, charter school, school district, charter school administrator, or direct-support organization may not expend any state or federal funds to promote, support, or maintain any programs or campus activities that:516(a) Violate s. 1000.05; or (b) Advocate, promote, or engage in political or social activism, as defined by the State Board of Education.520Student fees to support student-led organizations are permitted organizations which would otherwise violate this subsection, provided that public funds are allocated to student-led organizations pursuant to written policies or regulations of the school or district in which the student is enrolled, as applicable. Use of school or district facilities by student-led organizations is permitted notwithstanding any speech or expressive activity by such organizations which would otherwise violate this subsection, provided that such use is granted to student-led organizations fue school or district, facilities or student-led organizations pursuant to written policies or <b< th=""><th>504</th><th>to read:</th></b<>	504	to read:
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533	activities, or functions required for compliance with general or
534	federal laws or regulations, for obtaining or retaining
535	accreditation, or for continuing to receive state funds with the
536	approval of either the State Board of Education or the
537	department.
538	(4) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules to
539	implement this section.
540	Section 17. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section
541	1001.452, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
542	1001.452 District and school advisory councils
543	(1) ESTABLISHMENT
544	(a) The district school board shall establish an advisory
545	council for each school in the district and shall develop
546	procedures for the election and appointment of advisory council
547	members. Each school advisory council shall include in its name
548	the words "school advisory council." The school advisory council
549	shall be the sole body responsible for final decisionmaking at
550	the school relating to implementation of ss. 1001.42(18) and
551	1008.345. A majority of the members of each school advisory
552	council must be persons who are not employed by the school
553	district. Each advisory council shall be composed of the
554	principal and an appropriately balanced number of teachers,
555	education support employees, students, parents, and other
556	business and community citizens who are representative of the
557	ethnic, racial, and economic community served by the school.
558	Career center and high school advisory councils shall include
559	students, and middle and junior high school advisory councils
560	may include students. School advisory councils of career centers
561	and adult education centers are not required to include parents

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as members. Council members representing teachers, education support employees, students, and parents shall be elected by their respective peer groups at the school in a fair and equitable manner as follows:

1. Teachers shall be elected by teachers.

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2. Education support employees shall be elected by education support employees.

3. Students shall be elected by students.

4. Parents shall be elected by parents.

572 The district school board shall establish procedures to be used 573 by schools in selecting business and community members which 574 that include means of ensuring wide notice of vacancies and of 575 taking input on possible members from local business, chambers 576 of commerce, community and civic organizations and groups, and 577 the public at large. The district school board shall review the 578 membership composition of each advisory council. If the district 579 school board determines that the membership elected by the 580 school is not representative of the ethnic, racial, and economic 581 community served by the school, the district school board must 582 shall appoint additional members to achieve proper 583 representation. The commissioner shall determine if schools have 584 maximized their efforts to include on their advisory councils minority persons and persons of lower socioeconomic status. 585 586 Although schools are strongly encouraged to establish school 587 advisory councils, the district school board of any school 588 district that has a student population of 10,000 or less fewer 589 may establish a district advisory council which includes at least one duly elected teacher from each school in the district. 590

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591	For the purposes of school advisory councils and district
592	advisory councils, the term "teacher" includes classroom
593	teachers, certified student services personnel, and media
594	specialists. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "education
595	support employee" means any person employed by a school who is
596	not defined as instructional or administrative personnel
597	pursuant to s. 1012.01 and whose duties require 20 or more hours
598	in each normal working week.
599	Section 18. Section 1001.68, Florida Statutes, is created
600	to read:
601	1001.68 State college regional consortium service
602	organizationsIn order to create effectiveness and efficiency
603	of small institutions in the Florida College System which serve
604	rural communities:
605	(1) Colleges with 5,000 or fewer full-time equivalent
606	students may enter into cooperative agreements to form a
607	regional consortium service organization. Each regional
608	consortium service organization shall, at a minimum, provide
609	three of the following services: grant procurement;
610	institutional research and reporting; risk management;
611	professional development for faculty and staff; leadership
612	support; information technology and cybersecurity training;
613	faculty and staff recruitment; workforce development programs;
614	cooperative purchasing; administrative services; or enrollment
615	management services.
616	(2) Each regional consortium service organization must be
617	governed by a board of directors composed of the presidents of
618	the respective member colleges.
619	Section 19. Paragraph (d) of subsection (5) of section
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1001.706, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1001.706 Powers and duties of the Board of Governors.-(5) POWERS AND DUTIES RELATING TO ACCOUNTABILITY.-

(d) The Board of Governors shall annually require a state university prior to registration to provide each enrolled student electronic access to the economic security report of employment and earning outcomes prepared by the Department of Commerce pursuant to s. 445.07. In addition, the Board of Governors shall require a state university to provide each student electronic access to the following information each year prior to registration using the data described in s. 1008.39:

1. The top 25 percent of degrees reported by the university in terms of highest full-time job placement and highest average annualized earnings in the year after earning the degree.

2. The bottom 10 percent of degrees reported by the university in terms of lowest full-time job placement and lowest average annualized earnings in the year after earning the degree.

Section 20. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 1001.7065, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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1001.7065 Preeminent state research universities program.-(2) ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH EXCELLENCE STANDARDS.-The

following academic and research excellence standards are established for the preeminent state research universities program and shall be reported annually in the Board of Governors Accountability Plan:

(a) An average weighted grade point average of 4.0 or
higher on a 4.0 scale and an average SAT score of 1200 or higher
on a 1600-point scale or an average ACT score of 25 or higher on

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649	a 36 score scale, using the latest published national
650	concordance table developed jointly by the College Board and
651	ACT, Inc., or an average Classic Learning Test score of 83 or
652	higher on a 120 score scale, for fall semester incoming
653	freshmen, as reported annually.
654	Section 21. Paragraph (o) of subsection (3) and paragraph
655	(c) of subsection (4) of section 1002.20, Florida Statutes, are
656	amended to read:
657	1002.20 K-12 student and parent rightsParents of public
658	school students must receive accurate and timely information
659	regarding their child's academic progress and must be informed
660	of ways they can help their child to succeed in school. K-12
661	students and their parents are afforded numerous statutory
662	rights including, but not limited to, the following:
663	(3) HEALTH ISSUES.—
664	(o) <u>Emergency opioid antagonist</u> Naloxone use and supply.—
665	1. A public school may purchase a supply of <u>an emergency</u>
666	the opioid antagonist approved by the United States Food and
667	Drug Administration (FDA) naloxone from a wholesale distributor
668	as defined in s. 499.003 or may enter into an arrangement with a
669	wholesale distributor or manufacturer as defined in s. 499.003
670	for <u>an FDA-approved emergency opioid antagonist</u> naloxone at
671	fair-market, free, or reduced prices for use in the event that a
672	student has an opioid overdose. The FDA-approved emergency
673	opioid antagonist naloxone must be maintained in a secure
674	location on the public school's premises.
675	2. A school district employee who administers an approved
676	emergency opioid antagonist to a student in compliance with ss.
677	381.887 and 768.13 is immune from civil liability under s.

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(4) DISCIPLINE.-

(c) Corporal punishment.-

681 1. In accordance with the provisions of s. 1003.32, 682 corporal punishment of a public school student may only be 683 administered by a teacher or school principal within guidelines 684 of the school principal and according to district school board 685 policy. Another adult must be present and must be informed in 686 the student's presence of the reason for the punishment. Upon 687 request, the teacher or school principal must provide the parent 688 with a written explanation of the reason for the punishment and 689 the name of the other adult who was present.

690 2. A district school board having a policy authorizing the 691 use of corporal punishment as a form of discipline shall include 692 in such policy a requirement that a parent provide consent for the school to administer corporal punishment. The district 693 694 school board policy may require such consent for the school year, or before each administration. The district school board 695 696 shall review its policy on corporal punishment once every 3 697 years during a district school board meeting held pursuant to s. 698 1001.372. The district school board shall take public testimony 699 at the board meeting. If such board meeting is not held in 700 accordance with this subparagraph, the portion of the district 701 school board's policy authorizing corporal punishment expires. 702 Section 22. Paragraph (b) of subsection (16) of section 703 1002.33, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1002.33 Charter schools.-704

(16) EXEMPTION FROM STATUTES.-

(b) Additionally, a charter school shall be in compliance

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707	with the following statutes:
708	1. Section 286.011, relating to public meetings and
709	records, public inspection, and criminal and civil penalties.
710	2. Chapter 119, relating to public records.
711	3. Section 1003.03, relating to the maximum class size,
712	except that the calculation for compliance pursuant to s.
713	1003.03 shall be the average at the school level.
714	4. Section 1012.22(1)(c), relating to compensation and
715	salary schedules.
716	5. Section 1012.33(5), relating to workforce reductions.
717	6. Section 1012.335, relating to contracts with
718	instructional personnel hired on or after July 1, 2011.
719	7. Section 1012.34, relating to the substantive
720	requirements for performance evaluations for instructional
721	personnel and school administrators.
722	8. Section 1006.12, relating to safe-school officers.
723	9. Section 1006.07(7), relating to threat management teams.
724	10. Section 1006.07(9), relating to School Environmental
725	Safety Incident Reporting.
726	11. Section 1006.07(10), relating to reporting of
727	involuntary examinations.
728	12. Section 1006.1493, relating to the Florida Safe Schools
729	Assessment Tool.
730	13. Section 1006.07(6)(d), relating to adopting an active
731	assailant response plan.
732	14. Section 943.082(4)(b), relating to the mobile
733	suspicious activity reporting tool.
734	15. Section 1012.584, relating to youth mental health
735	awareness and assistance training.

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736	16. Section 1001.42(4)(f)2., relating to middle school and
737	high school start times. A charter school-in-the-workplace is
738	exempt from this requirement.
739	17. Section 1002.20(4)(c), relating to school corporal
740	punishment.
741	Section 23. Section 1002.351, Florida Statutes, is
742	repealed.
743	Section 24. Subsection (6) of section 1002.394, Florida
744	Statutes, is amended to read:
745	1002.394 The Family Empowerment Scholarship Program
746	(6) SCHOLARSHIP PROHIBITIONSA student is not eligible for
747	a Family Empowerment Scholarship while he or she is:
748	(a) Enrolled full time in a public school, including, but
749	not limited to, the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind,
750	the College-Preparatory Boarding Academy, the Florida School for
751	Competitive Academics, the Florida Virtual School, the Florida
752	Scholars Academy, a developmental research school authorized
753	under s. 1002.32, or a charter school authorized under this
754	chapter. For purposes of this paragraph, a 3- or 4-year-old
755	child who receives services funded through the Florida Education
756	Finance Program is considered to be a student enrolled in a
757	public school;
758	(b) Enrolled in a school operating for the purpose of
759	providing educational services to youth in a Department of
760	Juvenile Justice commitment program;
761	(c) Receiving any other educational scholarship pursuant to
762	this chapter. However, an eligible public school student
763	receiving a scholarship under s. 1002.411 may receive a
764	scholarship for transportation pursuant to subparagraph
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(d) Not having regular and direct contact with his or her private school teachers pursuant to s. 1002.421(1)(i), unless he or she is eligible pursuant to paragraph (3)(b) and enrolled in the participating private school's transition-to-work program pursuant to subsection (16) or a home education program pursuant to s. 1002.41;

(e) Participating in a private tutoring program pursuant tos. 1002.43 unless he or she is determined eligible pursuant toparagraph (3) (b); or

775 (f) Participating in virtual instruction pursuant to s. 776 1002.455 that receives state funding pursuant to the student's 777 participation.

Section 25. Subsection (4) of section 1002.395, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1002.395 Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program.-

(4) SCHOLARSHIP PROHIBITIONS.-A student is not eligible for a scholarship while he or she is:

783 (a) Enrolled full time in a public school, including, but 784 not limited to, the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind, 785 the College-Preparatory Boarding Academy, the Florida School for 786 Competitive Academics, the Florida Virtual School, the Florida 787 Scholars Academy, a developmental research school authorized 788 under s. 1002.32, or a charter school authorized under this 789 chapter. For purposes of this paragraph, a 3- or 4-year-old 790 child who receives services funded through the Florida Education 791 Finance Program is considered a student enrolled full time in a 792 public school;

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(b) Enrolled in a school operating for the purpose of

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794	providing educational services to youth in a Department of
795	Juvenile Justice commitment program;
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797	this chapter. However, an eligible public school student
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800	(6) (d) 4.;
801	(d) Not having regular and direct contact with his or her
802	private school teachers pursuant to s. 1002.421(1)(i) unless he
803	or she is enrolled in a personalized education program;
804	(e) Participating in a home education program as defined in
805	s. 1002.01(1);
806	(f) Participating in a private tutoring program pursuant to
807	s. 1002.43 unless he or she is enrolled in a personalized
808	education program; or
809	(g) Participating in virtual instruction pursuant to s.
810	1002.455 that receives state funding pursuant to the student's
811	participation.
812	Section 26. Paragraph (c) is added to subsection (19) of
813	section 1002.42, Florida Statutes, to read:
814	1002.42 Private schools
815	(19) FACILITIES.—
816	(c) A private school located in a county with four
817	incorporated municipalities may construct new facilities, which
818	may be temporary or permanent, on property purchased from or
819	owned or leased by a library, community service organization,
820	museum, performing arts venue, theater, cinema, or church under
821	s. 170.201, which is or was actively used as such within 5 years
822	of any executed agreement with a private school; any land owned

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823 by a Florida College System institution or state university; and 824 any land recently used to house a school or child care facility 825 licensed under s. 402.305 under its preexisting zoning and land 826 use designations without rezoning or obtaining a special 827 exception or a land use change and without complying with any 828 mitigation requirements or conditions. The new facility must be 829 located on property used solely for purposes described in this 830 paragraph and must meet applicable state and local health, 831 safety, and welfare laws, codes, and rules, including firesafety 832 and building safety. 833 Section 27. Paragraph (e) of subsection (4) of section 834 1002.68, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 835 1002.68 Voluntary Prekindergarten Education Program

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Subject to an appropriation, the department shall 838 (e) 839 provide for a differential payment to a private prekindergarten 840 provider and public school based on the provider's designation. 841 The maximum differential payment may not exceed a total of 15 842 percent of the base student allocation per full-time equivalent 843 student under s. 1002.71 attending in the consecutive program 844 year for that program. A private prekindergarten provider or 845 public school may not receive a differential payment if it receives a designation of "proficient" or lower. Before the 846 847 adoption of the methodology, the department shall confer with 848 the Council for Early Grade Success under s. 1008.2125 before 849 receiving approval from the State Board of Education for the 850 final recommendations on the designation system and differential 851 payments.

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852 Section 28. Subsection (4) of section 1002.71, Florida 853 Statutes, is amended to read: 854 1002.71 Funding; financial and attendance reporting.-855 (4) Notwithstanding s. 1002.53(3) and subsection (2): 856 (a) A child who, for any of the prekindergarten programs listed in s. 1002.53(3), has not completed any of the 857 858 prekindergarten programs listed in s. 1002.53(3) more than 70 859 percent of the hours authorized to be reported for funding under 860 subsection (2), or has not expended more than 70 percent of the funds authorized for the child under s. 1002.66, may withdraw 861 862 from the program for good cause and reenroll in one of the 863 programs. The total funding for a child who reenrolls in one of 864 the programs for good cause may not exceed one full-time 865 equivalent student. Funding for a child who withdraws and 866 reenrolls in one of the programs for good cause must shall be 867 issued in accordance with the department's uniform attendance 868 policy adopted pursuant to paragraph (6)(d). 869 (b) A child who has not substantially completed any of the 870 prekindergarten programs listed in s. 1002.53(3) may withdraw 871 from the program due to an extreme hardship that is beyond the 872 child's or parent's control, reenroll in one of the summer

873 programs, and be reported for funding purposes as a full-time 874 equivalent student in the summer program for which the child is 875 reenrolled.

877 A child may reenroll only once in a prekindergarten program 878 under this section. A child who reenrolls in a prekindergarten 879 program under this subsection may not subsequently withdraw from 880 the program and reenroll, unless the child is granted a good

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881	cause exemption under this subsection. The department shall
882	establish criteria specifying whether a good cause exists for a
883	child to withdraw from a program under paragraph (a), whether a
884	child has substantially completed a program under paragraph (b),
885	and whether an extreme hardship exists which is beyond the
886	child's or parent's control under paragraph (b).
887	Section 29. Paragraph (d) of subsection (4) of section
888	1002.945, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
889	1002.945 Gold Seal Quality Care Program
890	(4) In order to obtain and maintain a designation as a Gold
891	Seal Quality Care provider, a child care facility, large family
892	child care home, or family day care home must meet the following
893	additional criteria:
894	(d) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), if the Department of
895	Education determines through a formal process that a provider
896	has been in business for at least 5 years and has no other class
897	I violations recorded, the department may recommend to the state
898	board that the provider maintain its Gold Seal Quality Care
899	status. The state board's determination regarding such
900	provider's status is final.
901	Section 30. Subsection (3) of section 1003.41, Florida
902	Statutes, is amended to read:
903	1003.41 State academic standards
904	(3) The Commissioner of Education shall, as deemed
905	necessary, develop and submit proposed revisions to the
906	standards for review and comment by Florida educators, school
907	administrators, representatives of the Florida College System
908	institutions and state universities who have expertise in the
909	content knowledge and skills necessary to prepare a student for

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910 postsecondary education and careers, a representative from the 911 Department of Commerce, business and industry leaders for in-912 demand careers, and the public. The commissioner, after 913 considering reviews and comments, shall submit the proposed 914 revisions to the State Board of Education for adoption. New and 915 revised standards documents submitted for approval to the state 916 board must consist only of academic standards and benchmarks. 917 The commissioner shall revise all currently approved standards 918 documents based on the requirements of this subsection and 919 submit all revised standards documents to the state board for 920 approval no later than July 1, 2026.

Section 31. Paragraph (j) of subsection (2) of section 1003.42, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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1003.42 Required instruction.-

(2) Members of the instructional staff of the public schools, subject to the rules of the State Board of Education and the district school board, shall teach efficiently and faithfully, using the books and materials required that meet the 928 highest standards for professionalism and historical accuracy, 929 following the prescribed courses of study, and employing 930 approved methods of instruction, the following:

931 (j) The elementary principles of agriculture. This 932 component must include, but need not be limited to, the history 933 of agriculture both nationally and specifically to this state, 934 the economic and societal impact of agriculture, and the various 935 agricultural industry sectors. The department, in collaboration 936 with the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the 937 University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural 938 Sciences, shall prepare and offer standards and a curriculum for

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939 the instruction required by this paragraph and may seek input 940 from state or nationally recognized agricultural educational 941 organizations. The department may contract with state or 942 nationally recognized agricultural educational organizations to 943 develop training for instructional personnel and grade-944 appropriate classroom resources to support the developed 945 curriculum. 946 947 The State Board of Education is encouraged to adopt standards 948 and pursue assessment of the requirements of this subsection. 949 Instructional programming that incorporates the values of the 950 recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor and that is 951 offered as part of a social studies, English Language Arts, or 952 other schoolwide character building and veteran awareness 953 initiative meets the requirements of paragraph (u). 954 Section 32. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 955 1003.4201, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 956 1003.4201 Comprehensive system of reading instruction.-Each 957 school district must implement a system of comprehensive reading 958 instruction for students enrolled in prekindergarten through 959 grade 12 and certain students who exhibit a substantial 960 deficiency in early literacy. 961 (2) (a) Components of the reading instruction plan may 962 include the following: 963 1. Additional time per day of evidence-based intensive 964 reading instruction for kindergarten through grade 12 students, 965 which may be delivered during or outside of the regular school 966 dav. 967

2. Highly qualified reading coaches, who must be endorsed



968 in reading, to specifically support classroom teachers in making 969 instructional decisions based on progress monitoring data 970 collected pursuant to s. 1008.25(9) and improve classroom 971 teacher delivery of effective reading instruction, reading 972 intervention, and reading in the content areas based on student 973 need.

974 3. Professional learning to help instructional personnel 975 and certified prekindergarten teachers funded in the Florida 976 Education Finance Program earn a certification, a credential, an 977 endorsement, or an advanced degree in scientifically researched 978 and evidence-based reading instruction.

979 4. Summer reading camps, using only classroom teachers or 980 other district personnel who possess a micro-credential as 981 specified in s. 1003.485 or are certified or endorsed in reading 982 consistent with s. 1008.25(8)(b)3., for all students in 983 kindergarten through grade 5 exhibiting a reading deficiency as 984 determined by district and state assessments.

985 5. Intensive reading interventions, which must be delivered by instructional personnel who possess a micro-credential as 986 provided in s. 1003.485 or are certified or endorsed in reading 987 988 as provided in s. 1012.586 and must incorporate evidence-based 989 strategies identified by the Just Read, Florida! office pursuant 990 to s. 1001.215(7). Instructional personnel who possess a micro-991 credential as specified in s. 1003.485 and are delivering 992 intensive reading interventions must be supervised by an 993 individual certified or endorsed in reading. For the purposes of 994 this subparagraph, the term "supervised" means that 995 instructional personnel with a micro-credential are able, 996 through telecommunication or in person, to communicate and

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997	consult with, and receive direction from, certified or endorsed
998	personnel. Incentives for instructional personnel and certified
999	prekindergarten teachers funded in the Florida Education Finance
1000	Program who possess a reading certification or endorsement as
1001	specified in s. 1012.586 or micro-credential as specified in s.
1002	1003.485 and provide educational support to improve student
1003	literacy.
1004	6. Tutoring in reading.
1005	7. A description of how the district prioritizes the
1006	assignment of highly effective teachers, as identified in s.
1007	1012.34(2)(e), from kindergarten to grade 2.
1008	Section 33. Paragraph (h) of subsection (3) of section
1009	1003.4282, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
1010	1003.4282 Requirements for a standard high school diploma
1011	(3) STANDARD HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA; COURSE AND ASSESSMENT
1012	REQUIREMENTS
1013	(h) One-half credit in personal financial literacy
1014	Beginning with students entering grade 9 in the 2023-2024 school
1015	year, each student must earn one-half credit in personal
1016	financial literacy and money management. This instruction must
1017	include discussion of or instruction in all of the following:
1018	1. Types of bank accounts offered, opening and managing a
1019	bank account, and assessing the quality of a depository
1020	institution's services.
1021	2. Balancing a checkbook.
1022	3. Basic principles of money management, such as spending,
1023	credit, credit scores, and managing debt, including retail and
1024	credit card debt.
1025	4. Completing a loan application.
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1026	5. Receiving an inheritance and related implications.
1027	6. Basic principles of personal insurance policies.
1028	7. Computing federal income taxes.
1029	8. Local tax assessments.
1030	9. Computing interest rates by various mechanisms.
1031	10. Simple contracts.
1032	11. Contesting an incorrect billing statement.
1033	12. Types of savings and investments.
1034	13. State and federal laws concerning finance.
1035	14. Costs of postsecondary education, including cost of
1036	attendance, completion of the Free Application for Federal
1037	Student Aid, scholarships and grants, and student loans.
1038	Section 34. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section
1039	1004.0971, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
1040	1004.0971 Emergency opioid antagonists in Florida College
1041	System institution and state university housing
1042	(1) As used in this section, the term:
1043	(b) "Emergency opioid antagonist" means <u>a</u> naloxone
1044	hydrochloride or any similarly acting drug that blocks the
1045	effects of opioids administered from outside the body and that
1046	is approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration
1047	for the treatment of an opioid overdose.
1048	Section 35. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) and paragraph
1049	(b) of subsection (4) of section 1004.933, Florida Statutes, are
1050	amended to read:
1051	1004.933 Graduation Alternative to Traditional Education
1052	(GATE) Program
1053	(3) DEFINITIONSAs used in this section, the term:
1054	(b) "Institution" means <u>any</u> a school district career center
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1055	established under s. 1001.44, a charter technical career center
1056	established under s. 1002.34, or a Florida College System
1057	institution identified in s. 1000.21. Any such institution may
1058	enter into an agreement with an online provider for the adult
1059	education or career instruction portion of the program if such
1060	provider offers instructional content and services that align
1061	with the state career and adult education curriculum frameworks.
1062	(4) PAYMENT WAIVER; ELIGIBILITY
1063	(b) To be eligible for participation in the GATE Program, a
1064	student must:
1065	1. Not have earned a standard high school diploma pursuant
1066	to s. 1003.4282 or a high school equivalency diploma pursuant to
1067	s. 1003.435 before enrolling in the GATE Program;
1068	2. Have been withdrawn from high school;
1069	3. Be a resident of this state as defined in s. 1009.21(1);
1070	4. Be <u>at least</u> 16 to 21 years of age at the time of initial
1071	enrollment, provided that a student who is 16 or 17 years of age
1072	has withdrawn from school enrollment pursuant to the
1073	requirements and safeguards in s. 1003.21(1)(c);
1074	5. Select the adult secondary education program and career
1075	education program of his or her choice at the time of admission
1076	to the GATE Program, provided that the career education program
1077	is included on the Master Credentials List under s. 445.004(4).
1078	The student is not required to enroll in adult secondary and
1079	career education program coursework simultaneously. The student
1080	may not change the requested pathway after enrollment, except
1081	that, if necessary for the student, the student may enroll in an
1082	adult basic education program prior to enrolling in the adult
1083	secondary education program;

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1084 6. Maintain a 2.0 GPA for career and technical education 1085 coursework; and 1086 7. Notwithstanding s. 1003.435(4), complete the programs 1087 under subparagraph 5. within 3 years after his or her initial 1088 enrollment unless the institution determines that an extension 1089 is warranted due to extenuating circumstances. 1090 Section 36. Paragraphs (c) and (f) of subsection (1) of 1091 section 1005.06, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 1092 1005.06 Institutions not under the jurisdiction or purview 1093 of the commission.-1094 (1) Except as otherwise provided in law, the following 1095 institutions are not under the jurisdiction or purview of the 1096 commission and are not required to obtain licensure: 1097 (c) Any institution that is under the jurisdiction of the 1098 Department of Education, eligible to participate in the William L. Boyd, IV, Effective Access to Student Education Grant Program 1099 1100 and that is a nonprofit independent college or university 1101 located and chartered in this state and accredited by the 1102 Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges 1103 and Schools to grant baccalaureate degrees, or an institution 1104 authorized under s. 1009.521. 1105 (f)1. A nonpublic religious postsecondary educational 1106 institution religious college may operate without licensure

<u>governmental oversight</u> if the <u>institution</u> college annually verifies by sworn affidavit to the commission <u>each of the</u> following affirmations that:

1110 <u>a.1.</u> The name of the institution includes a religious 1111 modifier or the name of a religious patriarch, saint, person, or 1112 symbol of the church.

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b. An explanation of the religious modifier, religious name, or religious symbol used in the institution's name.

<u>c.2.</u> The institution offers only educational programs that prepare students for religious vocations as ministers, professionals, or laypersons in the categories of ministry, counseling, theology, education, administration, music, fine arts, media communications, or social work.

<u>d.3.</u> The titles of degrees issued by the institution cannot be confused with secular degree titles. For this purpose, each degree title must include a religious modifier that immediately precedes, or is included within, any of the following degrees: Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Master of Arts, Master of Science, Doctor of Philosophy, and Doctor of Education. The religious modifier must be placed on the title line of the degree, on the transcript, and whenever the title of the degree appears in official school documents or publications.

e. The titles and majors of every degree program offered by the institution as they appear on degrees and transcripts issued by the institution.

f.4. The duration of all degree programs offered by the institution is consistent with the standards of the commission.

g.5. The institution's consumer practices are consistent with those required by s. 1005.04.

2. If requested by the commission, the institution must submit documentation demonstrating compliance with the requirements of this paragraph and with s. 1005.04. The institution must submit such documentation within 30 days after the request.

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1142 3. The commission shall review for approval or denial, in a public meeting, affidavits submitted pursuant to this paragraph. 1143 1144 The commission shall approve an affidavit unless the affidavit 1145 is facially invalid, the affidavit is contradicted by the 1146 institution's public advertisements or by other evidence, or the 1147 institution has failed to comply with the requirements of subparagraph 2. The commission may provide such a religious 1148 1149 institution a letter stating that the institution has met the 1150 requirements of state law and is not subject to licensure by the 1151 commission governmental oversight. 1152 a. If a nonpublic religious postsecondary educational 1153 institution that has been issued a written notice of exemption 1154 from licensure by the commission subsequently fails to comply 1155 with the requirements of this paragraph, the commission must 1156 revoke its approval of the institution's affidavit in a public 1157 meeting. 1158 b. If an affidavit is denied by the commission, the 1159 commission may take any of the actions specified in s. 1005.38

unless the institution applies for a license pursuant to s. 1005.31(1)(a), ceases operating in this state, or submits documentation indicating compliance with this paragraph.

c. The commission may adopt rules to administer this paragraph.

1165 Section 37. Subsections (5) and (7) of section 1006.73, 1166 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1006.73 Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network.- (5) REPORTING.-

1169 (a) By December 31 each year, the host entity shall submit 1170 a report to the Chancellors of the State University System and

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1171 the Florida College System regarding the implementation and 1172 operation of all components described in this section, 1173 including, but not limited to, all of the following:

> <u>(a)</u> Usage information collected under paragraph (2)(c). <u>(b)</u> Information and associated costs relating to the

services and functions of the program.

(c) 3. The implementation and operation of the automated library services.

(d)4. The number and value of grants awarded under paragraph (4)(d) and the distribution of those funds.

5. The number and types of courses placed in the Student Open Access Resources Repository.

6. Information on the utilization of the Student Open Access Resources Repository and utilization of open educational resources in course sections, by Florida College System institution and state university.

(b) The Chancellors will provide an annual report on the performance of the host entity in delivering the services and any recommendations for changes needed to this section to the Covernor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Board of Covernors, and the State Board of Education. The Board of Governors and the Department of Education shall include any necessary funding increases in their annual legislative budget requests.

1195 (7)—RECOMMENDATION ON OTHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO BE 1196 INCLUDED WITHIN THE FLORIDA POSTSECONDARY ACADEMIC LIBRARY 1197 NETWORK.—By June 1, 2022, the Commissioner of Education and the 1198 Chancellor of the Board of Governors shall provide a joint 1199 recommendation for a process by which school district career

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1200	centers operated under s. 1001.44 and charter technical career
1201	centers under s. 1002.34 would access appropriate postsecondary
1202	distance learning, student support services and library assets
1203	described in this section. The recommendation must include an
1204	analysis of the resources necessary to expand access and assets
1205	to centers and their students.
1206	Section 38. Effective upon becoming a law, paragraph (b) of
1207	subsection (1) of section 1007.27, Florida Statutes, is amended,
1208	and paragraph (d) is added to subsection (2) of that section, to
1209	read:
1210	1007.27 Articulated acceleration mechanisms
1211	(1)
1212	(b) The State Board of Education and the Board of Governors
1213	shall identify Florida College System institutions <u>,</u> and state
1214	universities, and national consortia to develop courses that
1215	align with s. 1007.25 for students in secondary education and
1216	provide the training required under s. 1007.35(6).
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1218	(d) The department may join or establish a national
1219	consortium as an alternative method to develop and implement
1220	advanced placement courses that align with s. 1007.25.
1221	Section 39. Paragraph (d) of subsection (5) and paragraph
1222	(c) of subsection (7) of section 1007.34, Florida Statutes, are
1223	amended to read:
1224	1007.34 College reach-out program
1225	(5) In selecting proposals for approval, the State Board of
1226	Education shall give preference to:
1227	(d) A program that includes innovative approaches, provides
1228	a great variety of activities, and includes a large percentage



1229 of low-income educationally disadvantaged and underrepresented 1230 minority students in the college reach-out program. 1231 (7) A proposal must contain the following information: 1232 (c) An identification of existing programs for enhancing 1233 the academic performance of minority and low-income 1234 educationally disadvantaged and underrepresented students for 1235 enrollment in postsecondary education. 1236 Section 40. Section 1007.35, Florida Statutes, is amended 1237 to read: 1238 1007.35 Florida Partnership for Minority and 1239 Underrepresented Student Achievement.-1240 (1) This section may be referred to by the popular name the 1241 "Florida Partnership for Minority and Underrepresented Student 1242 Achievement Act." 1243 (2) (a) The Legislature recognizes the importance of not 1244 only access to college but also success in college for all 1245 students. It is the intent of the Legislature that every student 1246 enrolled in a public secondary school has access to high-1247 quality, rigorous academics, with a particular focus on access 1248 to advanced courses. The Legislature also recognizes the 1249 importance of other career pathways, such as vocational and 1250 trade schools, and the importance of incentivizing the 1251 availability of high school programs to prepare students for 1252 those career paths. 1253 It is the intent of the Legislature to provide (b) 1254 assistance to all public secondary schools, with a primary focus 1255 on low-performing middle and high schools.

1256 (c)—It is the intent of the Legislature that the 1257 partnership created in this section accomplish its mission

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1258 primarily through strengthening the content knowledge of 1259 teachers and providing instructional resources, including 1260 materials and strategies, which enable teachers to provide 1261 instruction to students who have diverse learning styles.

(3) There is created the Florida Partnership for Minority and Underrepresented Student Achievement. The Department of Education may contract for operation of the partnership.

(4) The mission of the partnership is to prepare, inspire, and connect students to postsecondary success and opportunity $_{\tau}$ with a particular focus on minority students and students who are underrepresented in postsecondary education.

(5) Each public high school, including, but not limited to, schools and alternative sites and centers of the Department of Juvenile Justice, shall provide for the administration of the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT), <u>CLT10</u>, or the PreACT to all enrolled 10th grade students. However, a written notice <u>must shall</u> be provided to each parent which must include the opportunity to exempt his or her child from taking the PSAT/NMSQT, <u>CLT 10</u> or the PreACT.

(a) Test results will provide each high school with a database of student assessment data which certified school counselors will use to identify students who are prepared or who need additional work to be prepared to enroll and be successful in advanced high school courses.

(b) Funding for the PSAT/NMSQT, CLT10 or the PreACT for all 10th grade students is shall be contingent upon annual funding in the General Appropriations Act.

5 (c) Public school districts <u>shall</u> must choose either the
6 PSAT/NMSQT, <u>CLT10</u> or the PreACT for districtwide administration.

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1287 (6) For each enrolled public high school student who has a 1288 grade point average of 3.5 or higher and has a score at or above 1289 the 75th national percentile or higher on the PSAT/NMSQT, CLT 10 1290 or PreACT administered pursuant to subsection (5), a school 1291 district must ensure the student has access to: 1292 (a) Online ACT, CLT, or SAT preparation courses or access 1293 to other evidence-based ACT, CLT, or SAT preparation resources. 1294 A school district may offer in-person preparation courses. 1295 (b) Information on all eligibility requirements for the 1296 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program. 1297 1. The resources provided under this paragraph must be 1298 accessible to eligible students until such students take the 1299 ACT, CLT, or SAT. 1300 2. To remain eligible to access the resources provided 1.301 under this paragraph, students must maintain a grade point 1302 average of 3.5 or higher. 1303 (7) (6) The partnership shall: 1.304 (a) Provide teacher training and professional learning to 1305 enable teachers of advanced courses to have the necessary 1306 content knowledge and instructional skills to prepare students 1307 for success on assessments developed pursuant to s. 1007.27(2) 1308 and mastery of postsecondary general education core courses. 1309 (b) Provide to middle school teachers and administrators 1310 professional learning that will enable them to educate middle 1311 school students at the level necessary to prepare the students 1312 to enter high school ready to participate in advanced courses. 1313 (c) Provide teacher training and materials that are aligned 1314 with the state standards and are consistent with best theory and practice regarding multiple learning styles and research on 1315

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1316 learning, instructional strategies, instructional design, and 1317 classroom assessment. Curriculum materials must be based on 1318 current, accepted, and essential academic knowledge.

1319 (d) Provide assessment of individual strengths and 1320 weaknesses as related to potential success in advanced courses 1321 and readiness for college.

(b) (e) Provide college entrance exam preparation through a variety of means that may include, but are not limited to, training teachers to provide courses at schools; training community organizations to provide courses at community centers, faith-based organizations, and businesses; and providing online courses.

(f) Consider ways to incorporate Florida College System institutions in the mission of preparing all students for postsecondary success.

<u>(c)</u> Provide a plan for communication and coordination of efforts with the Florida Virtual School's provision of online advanced courses.

(d) (h) Work with school districts to identify minority and underrepresented students for participation in advanced courses.

1336 <u>(e) (i)</u> Work with school districts to provide information to 1337 students and parents that explains available opportunities for 1338 students to take advanced courses and that explains enrollment 1339 procedures that students must follow to enroll in such courses. 1340 Such information must also explain the value of such courses as 1341 they relate to:

Preparing the student for postsecondary level
 coursework.

2. Enabling the student to gain access to postsecondary



1345 education opportunities.

1346 3. Qualifying for scholarships and other financial aid 1347 opportunities.

1348 <u>(f) (j)</u> Provide information to students, parents, teachers, 1349 counselors, administrators, districts, Florida College System 1350 institutions, and state universities regarding <u>the PSAT/NMSQT</u>, 1351 <u>CLT10</u> or the PreACT administration, including, but not limited 1352 to:

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1. Test administration dates and times.

2. That participation in the PSAT/NMSQT, CLT10 or the PreACT is open to all 10th grade students.

3. The value of such tests in providing diagnostic feedback on student skills.

4. The value of student scores in predicting the probability of success on advanced course examinations.

(k) Cooperate with the department to provide information to administrators, teachers, and counselors, whenever possible, about partnership activities, opportunities, and priorities.

(g) (1) Partner with the Florida College System institutions and state universities identified by the State Board of Education and Board of Governors pursuant to s. 1007.25(3) to develop advanced courses and provide teacher training.

1367 <u>(8) (7)</u> By May 31 of each year, the Department of Education 1368 shall approve a plan of delivery of services for the subsequent 1369 academic year.

1370 (9)-(8)-(a) By September 30 of each year, the partnership 1371 shall submit to the department a report that contains an 1372 evaluation of the effectiveness of the delivered services and 1373 activities. Activities and services must be evaluated on their



1374 effectiveness at raising student achievement and increasing the number of AP or other advanced course examinations in low-1375 performing middle and high schools. Other indicators that must 1376 1377 be addressed in the evaluation report include the number of 1378 middle and high school teachers trained; the effectiveness of 1379 the training; measures of postsecondary readiness of the 1380 students affected by the program; levels of participation in the 1381 10th grade PSAT/NMSQT, CLT10, or the PreACT testing; and 1382 measures of student, parent, and teacher awareness of and 1383 satisfaction with the services of the partnership.

1384 (b) The department shall contribute to the evaluation process by providing access, consistent with s. 119.071(5)(a), 1385 1386 to student and teacher information necessary to match against 1387 databases containing teacher professional learning data and 1388 databases containing assessment data for the PSAT/NMSQT, SAT, ACT, PreACT, CLT, CLT10, AP, and other appropriate measures. The 1389 1390 department shall also provide student-level data on student 1391 progress from middle school through high school and into college 1392 and the workforce, if available, in order to support 1393 longitudinal studies. The partnership shall analyze and report 1394 student performance data in a manner that protects the rights of 1395 students and parents as required in 20 U.S.C. s. 1232g and s. 1002.22. 1396

1397 <u>(10) (a) (9) (a)</u> Funding for the partnership shall be 1398 contingent upon annual funding in the General Appropriations 1399 Act.

(b) The participating partner, if one is chosen, is
required to match at least one-third of the allocation provided
to the partnership in the General Appropriations Act in



1403	materials and services to the program.
1404	(11) (10) Nothing in this section shall prohibit any
1405	organization from partnering with the state to improve the
1406	college readiness of students.
1407	Section 41. Section 1008.2125, Florida Statutes, is
1408	repealed.
1409	Section 42. Subsections (1) and (5) of section 1008.36,
1410	Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
1411	1008.36 Florida School Recognition Program
1412	(1) The Legislature finds that there is a need for a
1413	performance incentive program for outstanding instructional
1414	personnel faculty and staff in highly productive schools. The
1415	Legislature further finds that performance-based incentives are
1416	commonplace in the private sector and should be infused into the
1417	public sector as a reward for productivity.
1418	(5) School recognition awards must be used for the
1419	following:
1420	(a) Nonrecurring bonuses to the instructional personnel as
1421	defined in s. 1012.01(2) faculty and staff;
1422	(b) Nonrecurring expenditures for educational equipment or
1423	materials to assist in maintaining and improving student
1424	performance; or
1425	(c) Temporary personnel for the school to assist in
1426	maintaining and improving student performance.
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1428	Notwithstanding statutory provisions to the contrary, incentive
1429	awards are not subject to collective bargaining.
1430	Section 43. Paragraph (c) of subsection (8) of section
1431	1008.365, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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1432 1008.365 Reading Achievement Initiative for Scholastic1433 Excellence Act.-

1434 (8) As part of the RAISE Program, the department shall 1435 establish a tutoring program and develop training in effective 1436 reading tutoring practices and content, based on evidence-based 1437 practices grounded in the science of reading and aligned to the English Language Arts standards under s. 1003.41, which prepares 1438 1439 eligible high school students to tutor students in kindergarten 1440 through grade 3 in schools identified under this section, 1441 instilling in those students a love of reading and improving 1442 their literacy skills.

1443 (c) Tutoring may be part of a service-learning course 1444 adopted pursuant to s. 1003.497. Students may earn up to three 1445 elective credits for high school graduation based on the 1446 verified number of hours the student spends tutoring under the 1447 program. The hours of volunteer service must be documented in 1448 writing, and the document must be signed by the student, the 1449 student's parent or guardian, and an administrator or designee 1450 of the school in which the tutoring occurred. The Unpaid hours 1451 that a high school student devotes to tutoring may be counted 1452 toward meeting community service requirements for high school 1453 graduation and community service requirements for participation 1454 in the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program as provided in 1455 s. 1003.497(3)(b). The department shall designate a high school 1456 student who provides at least 75 verified hours of tutoring 1457 under the program as a New Worlds Scholar and award the student 1458 with a pin indicating such designation.

1459 Section 44. Subsection (2) of section 1008.37, Florida
1460 Statutes, is amended to read:

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1008.37 Postsecondary feedback of information to high

(2) The Commissioner of Education shall report, by high 1463 1464 school, to the State Board of Education, the Board of Governors, 1465 and the Legislature, no later than May 31 April 30 of each year, 1466 on the number of prior year Florida high school graduates who enrolled for the first time in public postsecondary education in 1467 1468 this state during the summer, fall, or spring term of the previous academic year, indicating the number of students whose 1469 1470 scores on the common placement test indicated the need for 1471 developmental education under s. 1008.30 or for applied 1472 academics for adult education under s. 1004.91. 1473 Section 45. Paragraph (c) of subsection (8) of section 1474 1009.23, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1475 1009.23 Florida College System institution student fees.-1476 (8) (c) Up to 25 percent or \$600,000, whichever is greater, of 1477 1478 the financial aid fees collected may be used to assist students 1479 who demonstrate academic merit; who participate in athletics, 1480 public service, cultural arts, and other extracurricular 1481 programs as determined by the institution; or who are identified 1482 as members of an underrepresented a targeted gender or ethnic 1483 minority population. The financial aid fee revenues allocated 1484 for athletic scholarships and any fee exemptions provided to 1485 athletes pursuant to s. 1009.25(2) must be distributed equitably 1486 as required by s. 1000.05(3)(d). A minimum of 75 percent of the 1487 balance of these funds for new awards shall be used to provide financial aid based on absolute need, and the remainder of the 1488 1489 funds shall be used for academic merit purposes and other



1490 purposes approved by the boards of trustees. Such other purposes 1491 shall include the payment of child care fees for students with 1492 financial need. The State Board of Education shall develop 1493 criteria for making financial aid awards. Each college shall 1494 report annually to the Department of Education on the revenue 1495 collected pursuant to this paragraph, the amount carried 1496 forward, the criteria used to make awards, the amount and number 1497 of awards for each criterion, and a delineation of the distribution of such awards. The report shall include an 1498 1499 assessment by category of the financial need of every student 1500 who receives an award, regardless of the purpose for which the 1501 award is received. Awards that are based on financial need shall 1502 be distributed in accordance with a nationally recognized system 1503 of need analysis approved by the State Board of Education. An 1504 award for academic merit requires a minimum overall grade point 1505 average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or the equivalent for both initial 1506 receipt of the award and renewal of the award.

Section 46. Paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection (20) of section 1009.26, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

1009.26 Fee waivers.-

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(20)(a) Beginning with the 2022-2023 academic year, a state university shall waive the out-of-state fee for a student who:

1512 1. Has a grandparent who <u>has established a domicile in this</u> 1513 <u>state pursuant to s. 222.17 for at least 5 years preceding an</u> 1514 <u>application for the fee waiver</u> is a legal resident as defined in 1515 <u>s. 1009.21(1)</u>. For purposes of this subsection, the term 1516 "grandparent" means a person who has a legal relationship to a 1517 student's parent as the natural or adoptive parent or legal 1518 guardian of the student's parent.

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1519 2. Earns a high school diploma comparable to a Florida 1520 standard high school diploma, or its equivalent, or completes a 1521 home education program.

3.a. Achieves an SAT combined score no lower than the 89th national percentile on the SAT;

1524 b. Achieves an ACT score concordant to the required SAT 1525 score in sub-subparagraph a., using the latest published national concordance table developed jointly by the College 1527 Board and ACT, Inc.; or

c. If a state university accepts the Classic Learning Test (CLT) for admission purposes, achieves a CLT score concordant to the required SAT score specified in sub-subparagraph a., using the latest published scoring comparison developed by Classic Learning Initiatives.

4. Beginning with students who initially enroll in the 2022 fall academic term and thereafter, enrolls as a full-time undergraduate student at a state university in the fall academic term immediately following high school graduation.

1537 (c) Before waiving the out-of-state fee, the state 1538 university shall require the student or the student's parent, if 1539 the student is a dependent child, to provide a written 1540 declaration pursuant to s. 92.525(2) attesting to the student's 1541 familial relationship to a grandparent who meets the residency 1542 requirement of subparagraph (a)1. is a legal resident and any 1543 other corroborating documentation required by regulation of the 1544 Board of Governors. A state university is not required to 1545 independently verify the statements contained in each 1546 declaration if the signatory declares it to be true under the 1547 penalties of perjury as required by s. 92.525(2). However, the

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1548 state university may refer any signed declaration suspected of 1549 containing fraudulent representations to law enforcement.

1550 Section 47. Subsection (2) of section 1009.536, Florida 1551 Statutes, is amended, and subsection (6) is added to that 1552 section, to read:

1009.536 Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars and Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars awards.—The Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars award and the Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars award are created within the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program to recognize and reward academic achievement and career preparation by high school students who wish to continue their education.

(2) A student is eligible for a Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars award if he or she meets the general eligibility requirements for the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program, and the student:

(a) Earns a minimum of 3 = 5 postsecondary credit hours through CAPE industry certifications approved pursuant to s. 1008.44 which articulate for college credit; and

(b) Earns a minimum cumulative weighted grade point average of 2.5, as calculated pursuant to s. 1009.531, on all subjects required for a standard high school diploma, excluding elective courses; and

1570 <u>(c)</u> Completes at least 30 hours of volunteer service or, 1571 beginning with a high school student graduating in the 2022-2023 1572 academic year and thereafter, 100 hours of paid work, approved 1573 by the district school board, the administrators of a nonpublic 1574 school, or the Department of Education for home education 1575 program students, or 100 hours of a combination of both. 1576 Eligible paid work completed on or after June 27, 2022, shall be

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1577 included in a student's total required paid work hours. The 1578 student may identify a social or civic issue or a professional 1579 area that interests him or her and develop a plan for his or her 1580 personal involvement in addressing the issue or learning about 1581 the area. The student must, through papers or other 1582 presentations, evaluate and reflect upon his or her experience. 1583 Such volunteer service or paid work may include, but is not 1584 limited to, a business or governmental internship, work for a 1585 nonprofit community service organization, or activities on 1586 behalf of a candidate for public office. The hours of volunteer 1587 service or paid work must be documented in writing, and the 1588 document must be signed by the student, the student's parent or 1589 quardian, and a representative of the organization for which the 1590 student performed the volunteer service or paid work. 1591 (6) Before or within 3 months after completion of the GATE

Program as provided in s. 1004.933, a student may apply for the Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars award.

Section 48. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section 1009.8962, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1009.8962 Linking Industry to Nursing Education (LINE) Fund.-

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

(b) "Institution" means a school district career center under s. 1001.44; a charter technical career center under s. 1002.34; a Florida College System institution; a state university; an independent nonprofit college or university located and chartered in this state and accredited by an agency or association that is recognized by the database created and maintained by the United States Department of Education to grant

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1606 baccalaureate degrees; or an independent school, college, or 1607 university with an accredited program as defined in s. 464.003 which is located in this state and licensed by the Commission 1608 1609 for Independent Education pursuant to s. 1005.31, or an institution authorized <u>under s. 1009.521</u> which has a nursing 1610 1611 education program that meets or exceeds the following: 1612 1. For a certified nursing assistant program, a completion 1613 rate of at least 70 percent for the prior year. 1614 2. For a licensed practical nurse, associate of science in 1615 nursing, and bachelor of science in nursing program, a first-1616 time passage rate on the National Council of State Boards of 1617 Nursing Licensing Examination of at least 75 percent for the 1618 prior year based on a minimum of 10 testing participants. 1619 Section 49. Present subsection (4) of section 1009.897, 1620 Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (5), and a new 1621 subsection (4) is added to that section, to read: 1622 1009.897 Prepping Institutions, Programs, Employers, and 1623 Learners through Incentives for Nursing Education (PIPELINE) 1624 Fund.-1625 (4) Each institution that receives funds through the 1626 PIPELINE Fund shall allocate the funds to its health care 1627 industry-related programs. 1628 Section 50. Section 1011.58, Florida Statutes, is repealed. Section 51. Section 1011.59, Florida Statutes, is repealed. 1629 1630 Section 52. Paragraph (b) of subsection (5) of section 1631 1011.71, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 1632 1011.71 District school tax.-(5) A school district may expend, subject to s. 200.065, up 1633 to \$200 per unweighted full-time equivalent student from the 1634

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1635 revenue generated by the millage levy authorized by subsection 1636 (2) to fund, in addition to expenditures authorized in 1637 paragraphs (2)(a)-(j), expenses for the following:

1638 (b) Payment of the cost of premiums, as defined in s. 1639 627.403, for property and casualty insurance necessary to insure 1640 school district educational and ancillary plants. As used in 1641 this paragraph, casualty insurance has the same meaning as in s. 1642 624.605(1)(b), (d), (f), (g), (h), and (m) s. 624.605(1)(d), 1643 (f), (g), (h), and (m). Operating revenues that are made 1644 available through the payment of property and casualty insurance 1645 premiums from revenues generated under this subsection may be 1646 expended only for nonrecurring operational expenditures of the 1647 school district.

Section 53. Subsections (3) and (6) of section 1011.804, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

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1011.804 GATE Startup Grant Program.-

(3) The department may solicit proposals from institutions without programs that meet the requirements of s. 1004.933(2). Such institutions must be located in or serve a rural area of opportunity as designated by the Governor. Additionally, institutions that meet program requirements and are located in or serve a rural area of opportunity may apply for grant funds specifically for marketing and outreach efforts to expand student participation in the GATE Program.

(6) Grant funds may be used for planning activities and
other expenses associated with the creation of the GATE Program,
such as expenses related to program instruction, instructional
equipment, supplies, instructional personnel, and student
services, and outreach and marketing efforts to recruit and

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1664 enroll eligible students. Institutions with existing programs 1665 that meet the requirements of s. 1004.933(2) and that are 1666 located in or serve a rural area of opportunity may apply for 1667 grant funds exclusively for marketing and outreach purposes to 1668 expand student participation in the GATE Program. Grant funds 1669 may not be used for indirect costs. Grant recipients must submit 1670 an annual report in a format prescribed by the department. The 1671 department shall consolidate such annual reports and include the 1672 reports in the report required by s. 1004.933(5).

Section 54. Section 1012.315, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1012.315 Screening standards.-

(1) A person is ineligible for educator certification or employment in any position that requires direct contact with students in a district school system, a charter school, or a private school that participates in a state scholarship program under chapter 1002 if the person:

(a) (1) Is on the disqualification list maintained by the department under s. 1001.10(4)(b);

(b) (2) Is registered as a sex offender as described in 42 U.S.C. s. 9858f(c)(1)(C);

(c) (3) Is ineligible based on a security background 1685 1686 investigation under s. 435.04(2). Beginning January 1, 2025, or 1687 a later date as determined by the Agency for Health Care 1688 Administration, the Agency for Health Care Administration shall determine the eligibility of employees in any position that 1689 1690 requires direct contact with students in a district school system, a charter school, or a private school that participates 1691 1692 in a state scholarship program under chapter 1002;

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1693 (d) (4) Would be ineligible for an exemption under s. 1694 435.07(4)(c); or 1695 (e) (5) Has been convicted or found guilty of, has had 1696 adjudication withheld for, or has pled quilty or nolo contendere 1697 to: 1698 1.(a) Any criminal act committed in another state or under federal law which, if committed in this state, constitutes a 1699 1700 disqualifying offense under s. 435.04(2). 1701 2.(b) Any delinquent act committed in this state or any 1702 delinquent or criminal act committed in another state or under 1703 federal law which, if committed in this state, qualifies an 1704 individual for inclusion on the Registered Juvenile Sex Offender List under s. 943.0435(1)(h)1.d. 1705 1706 (2) Notwithstanding ss. 435.01 and 435.07, a person who 1707 undergoes screening pursuant to this chapter or s. 1002.421 may 1708 not seek an exemption. 1709 (3) Persons who apply for certification or employment are 1710 governed by the law and rules in effect at the time of 1711 application for issuance of the initial certificate or 1712 employment, provided that continuity of certificates or 1713 employment is maintained. 1714 Section 55. Subsections (3), (5), and (6) of section 1715 1012.56, Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 1716 1012.56 Educator certification requirements.-1717 (3) MASTERY OF GENERAL KNOWLEDGE.-Acceptable means of 1718 demonstrating mastery of general knowledge are: 1719 (a) Achievement of passing scores on the general knowledge 1720 examination required by state board rule; 1721 (b) Documentation of a valid professional standard teaching

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> (c) Documentation of a valid certificate issued by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS), the American Board for Certification of Teacher Excellence (ABCTE), or a national educator credentialing board approved by the State Board of Education;

(d) Documentation of two semesters of successful, full-time 1729 or part-time teaching in a Florida College System institution, state university, or private college or university that awards an associate or higher degree and is an accredited institution or an institution of higher education identified by the 1733 Department of Education as having a quality program;

(e) Achievement of passing scores, identified in state board rule, on national or international examinations that test comparable content and relevant standards in verbal, analytical writing, and quantitative reasoning skills, including, but not limited to, the verbal, analytical writing, and quantitative reasoning portions of the Graduate Record Examination and the SAT, ACT, and Classic Learning Test. Passing scores identified in state board rule must be at approximately the same level of rigor as is required to pass the general knowledge examinations; or

1744 Documentation of receipt of a master's or higher degree (f) 1745 from an accredited postsecondary educational institution that 1746 the Department of Education has identified as having a quality 1747 program resulting in a baccalaureate degree or higher.

1749 A school district that employs an individual who does not 1750 achieve passing scores on any subtest of the general knowledge



1751 examination must provide information regarding the availability 1752 of state-level and district-level supports and instruction to 1753 assist him or her in achieving a passing score. Such information 1754 must include, but need not be limited to, state-level test 1755 information guides, school district test preparation resources, 1756 and preparation courses offered by state universities and Florida College System institutions. The requirement of mastery 1757 1758 of general knowledge must shall be waived for an individual who 1759 has been provided 3 years of supports and instruction and who 1760 has been rated effective or highly effective under s. 1012.34 1761 for each of the last 3 years.

(5) MASTERY OF SUBJECT AREA KNOWLEDGE.—Acceptable means of demonstrating mastery of subject area knowledge are:

 (a) For a subject requiring only a baccalaureate degree for which a Florida subject area examination has been developed, achievement of a passing score on the Florida-developed subject area examination specified in state board rule;

(b) For a subject for which a Florida subject area examination has not been developed, achievement of a passing score on a standardized examination specified in state board rule, including, but not limited to, passing scores on both the oral proficiency and written proficiency examinations administered by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages;

(c) For a subject for which a Florida subject area examination has not been developed or a standardized examination has not been specified in state board rule, completion of the subject area specialization requirements specified in state board rule and verification of the attainment of the essential

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1780 subject matter competencies by the district school 1781 superintendent of the employing school district or chief 1782 administrative officer of the employing state-supported or 1783 private school;

(d) For a subject requiring a master's or higher degree, completion of the subject area specialization requirements specified in state board rule and achievement of a passing score on the Florida-developed subject area examination or a standardized examination that is directly related to the subject specified in state board rule;

(e) Documentation of a valid professional standard teaching certificate issued by another state;

(f) Documentation of a valid certificate issued by the <u>NBPTS, ABCTE</u>, <u>National Board for Professional Teaching Standards</u> or a national educator credentialing board approved by the State Board of Education;

(g) Documentation of successful completion of a United States Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center program;

(h) Documentation of a passing score on the DefenseLanguage Proficiency Test (DLPT); or

(i) For a subject requiring only a baccalaureate degree for
which a Florida subject area examination has been developed,
documentation of receipt of a master's or higher degree from an
accredited postsecondary educational institution that the
Department of Education has identified as having a quality
program resulting in a baccalaureate degree or higher in the
certificate subject area as identified by state board rule.



School districts are encouraged to provide mechanisms for middle grades teachers holding only a K-6 teaching certificate to obtain a subject area coverage for middle grades through postsecondary coursework or district add-on certification.

(6) MASTERY OF PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION AND EDUCATION COMPETENCE.—Acceptable means of demonstrating mastery of professional preparation and education competence are:

(a) Successful completion of an approved teacher preparation program at a postsecondary educational institution within this state and achievement of a passing score on the professional education competency examination required by state board rule;

(b) Successful completion of a teacher preparation program at a postsecondary educational institution outside Florida and achievement of a passing score on the professional education competency examination required by state board rule;

(c) Documentation of a valid professional standard teaching certificate issued by another state;

(d) Documentation of a valid certificate issued by the <u>NBPTS, ABCTE</u>, <u>National Board for Professional Teaching Standards</u> or a national educator credentialing board approved by the State Board of Education;

(e) Documentation of two semesters of successful, full-time or part-time teaching in a Florida College System institution, state university, or private college or university that awards an associate or higher degree and is an accredited institution or an institution of higher education identified by the Department of Education as having a quality program and achievement of a passing score on the professional education

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1838 competency examination required by state board rule; 1839 (f) Successful completion of professional preparation 1840 courses as specified in state board rule, successful completion 1841 of a professional education competence program pursuant to 1842 subsection (9), and documentation of 3 years of being rated 1843 effective or highly effective under s. 1012.34 while holding a temporary certificate; 1844 1845 (q) Successful completion of a professional learning 1846 certification program, outlined in subsection (8); or 1847 (h) Successful completion of a competency-based 1848 certification program pursuant to s. 1004.85 and achievement of 1849 a passing score on the professional education competency 1850 examination required by rule of the State Board of Education. 1851 1852 The State Board of Education shall adopt rules to implement this 1853 subsection, including rules to approve specific teacher 1854 preparation programs that are not identified in this subsection 1855 which may be used to meet requirements for mastery of 1856 professional preparation and education competence. 1857 Section 56. Present subsection (4) of section 1012.77, 1858 Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (5), a new 1859 subsection (4) is added to that section, and subsection (3) of 1860 that section is amended, to read: 1012.77 Christa McAuliffe Ambassador for Education 1861 1862 Program.-1863 (3) The Teacher of the Year shall serve as the Ambassador 1864 for Education. If the Teacher of the Year is unable to serve as the Ambassador for Education, the first runner-up must shall 1865

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serve in his or her place. The Department of Education shall

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1867	establish application and selection procedures for determining
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1869	criteria <u>must</u> shall be developed and distributed annually by the
1870	Department of Education to all eligible entities identified in
1871	subsection (4) school districts. The Commissioner of Education
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1873	representation from teacher organizations, administrators, and
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1877	(4) Eligible entities to submit to the Department of
1878	Education a nominee for the Teacher of the Year and Ambassador
1879	for Education awards include:
1880	(a) Florida school districts, including lab schools as
1881	defined in s. 1002.32.
1882	(b) Charter school consortia with at least 30 member
1883	schools and an approved professional learning system on file
1884	with the department.
1885	Section 57. Subsection (3) of section 1013.30, Florida
1886	Statutes, is amended to read:
1887	1013.30 University campus master plans and campus
1888	development agreements
1889	(3) Each university board of trustees shall prepare and
1890	adopt a campus master plan for the university and maintain a
1891	copy of the plan on the university's website. The master plan
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1893	plans for provision of roads, parking, public transportation,
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1896 contain elements relating to future land use, intergovernmental 1897 coordination, capital improvements, recreation and open space, 1898 general infrastructure, housing, and conservation. Each element 1899 must address compatibility with the surrounding community. The 1900 master plan must identify specific land uses, general location 1901 of structures, densities and intensities of use, and contain 1902 standards for onsite development, site design, environmental 1903 management, and the preservation of historic and archaeological 1904 resources. The transportation element must address reasonable 1905 transportation demand management techniques to minimize offsite 1906 impacts where possible. Data and analyses on which the elements 1907 are based must include, at a minimum: the characteristics of 1908 vacant lands; projected impacts of development on onsite and 1909 offsite infrastructure, public services, and natural resources; 1910 student enrollment projections; student housing needs; and the 1911 need for academic and support facilities. Master plans must be 1912 updated at least every 10 $\frac{5}{5}$ years. 1913

Section 58. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 1013.46, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1013.46 Advertising and awarding contracts; prequalification of contractor.-

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(c) As an option, any county, municipality, or board may set aside up to 10 percent of the total amount of funds allocated for the purpose of entering into construction capital project contracts with minority business enterprises, as defined in s. 287.094. Such contracts shall be competitively bid only among minority business enterprises. The set-aside shall be used to redress present effects of past discriminatory practices and

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1925	shall be subject to periodic reassessment to account for
1926	changing needs and circumstances.
1927	Section 59. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this
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1929	this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect July 1,
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1932	=========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =================================
1933	And the title is amended as follows:
1934	Delete everything before the enacting clause
1935	and insert:
1936	A bill to be entitled
1937	An act relating to education; amending s. 11.45, F.S.;
1938	deleting the Florida School for Competitive Academics
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1940	requirements; amending s. 11.51, F.S.; authorizing the
1941	Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government
1942	Accountability to develop contracts or agreements with
1943	institutions in the State University System for a
1944	specified purpose; amending s. 216.251, F.S.; deleting
1945	the Florida School for Competitive Academics from
1946	specified classification and pay plans; amending s.
1947	251.001, F.S.; providing tuition assistance to active
1948	members of the Florida State Guard; amending s.
1949	288.036, F.S.; revising the duties of the Office of
1950	Ocean Economy; amending s. 381.853, F.S.; specifying
1951	that the President of the University of Florida
1952	appoints the members of the scientific advisory
1953	council within the Florida Center for Brain Tumor

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1954 Research; amending s. 413.407, F.S.; revising the 1955 qualifications for members of the Assistive Technology 1956 Advisory Council; increasing the maximum term length 1957 for such members; amending s. 435.12, F.S.; revising 1958 the dates for a screening schedule; amending s. 1959 446.032, F.S.; revising the date by which the 1960 Department of Education is required to publish an 1961 annual report on apprenticeship and preapprenticeship 1962 programs; amending s. 446.041, F.S.; requiring the 1963 department to take into account underrepresented 1964 groups in administering the apprenticeship training 1965 program, rather than minority and gender diversity; 1966 amending s. 447.203, F.S.; deleting the Florida School 1967 for Competitive Academics from the definition of a 1968 public employer; amending s. 1000.04, F.S.; deleting 1969 the Florida School for Competitive Academics from the 1970 components of Florida's Early Learning-20 education 1971 system; amending s. 1000.05, F.S.; renaming the 1972 Florida Educational Equity Act as the "Florida 1973 Educational Equality Act"; changing the term "gender" 1974 to "sex"; requiring public schools and Florida College 1975 System institutions to develop and implement methods 1976 and strategies to increase participation of 1977 underrepresented students, rather than students with 1978 certain characteristics, in certain programs and 1979 courses; requiring the Commissioner of Education and 1980 the State Board of Education to utilize their 1981 authority to enforce compliance; amending s. 1000.21, F.S.; renaming Hillsborough Community College as 1982

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1983 "Hillsborough College"; amending s. 1001.20, F.S.; 1984 deleting oversight of the Florida School for 1985 Competitive Academics from the duties of the Office of 1986 Inspector General within the department; creating s. 1987 1001.325, F.S.; prohibiting the expenditure of funds 1988 by public schools, charter schools, school districts, 1989 charter school administrators, or direct-support 1990 organizations to purchase membership in, or goods or 1991 services from, any organization that discriminates on 1992 the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, 1993 disability, or religion; prohibiting the expenditure 1994 of funds by public schools, charter schools, school 1995 districts, charter school administrators, or direct-1996 support organizations to promote, support, or maintain 1997 certain programs or activities; authorizing the use of 1998 student fees and school or district facilities by 1999 student-led organizations under certain circumstances; 2000 providing construction; requiring the state board to 2001 adopt rules; amending s. 1001.452, F.S.; deleting a 2002 provision requiring the Commissioner of Education to 2003 determine whether school districts have maximized 2004 efforts to include minority persons and persons of 2005 lower socioeconomic status on their school advisory councils; creating s. 1001.68, F.S.; authorizing 2006 2007 Florida College System institutions with a certain 2008 number of full-time equivalent students to enter into 2009 cooperative agreements to form a state college 2010 regional consortium service organization; requiring 2011 such organizations to provide at least a specified

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2012 number of certain services; requiring that regional 2013 consortium service organizations be governed by a 2014 board of directors consisting of specified members; 2015 amending s. 1001.706, F.S.; deleting a requirement 2016 that state universities provide student access to 2017 certain information; amending s. 1001.7065, F.S.; 2018 revising academic standards for the preeminent state 2019 research university program to include a specified 2020 average Classic Learning Test score; amending s. 2021 1002.20, F.S.; authorizing public schools to purchase 2022 or enter into arrangements for certain emergency 2023 opioid antagonists, rather than only for naloxone; 2024 requiring that district school board policies 2025 authorizing corporal punishment include a requirement 2026 that parental consent be provided before the 2027 administration of corporal punishment; amending s. 2028 1002.33, F.S.; requiring a charter school to comply 2029 with statute relating to corporal punishment; 2030 repealing s. 1002.351, F.S., relating to the Florida 2031 School for Competitive Academics; amending s. 2032 1002.394, F.S.; deleting the Florida School for 2033 Competitive Academics from Family Empowerment 2034 Scholarship prohibitions; amending s. 1002.395, F.S.; 2035 deleting the Florida School for Competitive Academics 2036 from Florida Tax Credit Scholarship prohibitions; 2037 amending s. 1002.42, F.S.; authorizing certain private 2038 schools to construct new facilities on property that 2039 meets specified criteria; amending s. 1002.68, F.S.; 2040 deleting a provision requiring the department to

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2041 confer with the Council for Early Grade Success before 2042 receiving a certain approval; amending s. 1002.71, 2043 F.S.; revising the conditions under which a student 2044 may withdraw from a prekindergarten program and 2045 reenroll in another program; amending s. 1002.945, 2046 F.S.; revising the criteria required for a child care 2047 facility, large family child care home, or family day 2048 care home to obtain and maintain a designation as a 2049 Gold Seal Quality Care provider; amending s. 1003.41, 2050 F.S.; requiring that certain standards documents 2051 contain only academic standards and benchmarks; 2052 requiring the Commissioner of Education to revise 2053 currently approved standards documents and submit them 2054 to the state board by a specified date; amending s. 2055 1003.42, F.S.; revising required instruction on the 2056 principles of agriculture; requiring the department to 2057 collaborate with specified entities to develop 2058 associated standards and a curriculum; authorizing the 2059 department to contract with certain agricultural 2060 education organizations; amending s. 1003.4201, F.S.; 2061 authorizing the inclusion of intensive reading 2062 interventions in a school district comprehensive 2063 reading instruction plan; requiring that intensive 2064 reading interventions be delivered by instructional 2065 personnel who possess a micro-credential or are 2066 certified or endorsed in reading; requiring that such 2067 interventions incorporate certain strategies; 2068 requiring that instructional personnel with a micro-2069 credential be supervised by an individual certified or

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2070 endorsed in reading; defining the term "supervised"; 2071 authorizing the inclusion in the reading instruction 2072 plans of a description of how school districts 2073 prioritize the assignment of highly effective 2074 teachers; amending s. 1003.4282, F.S.; adding 2075 components to required instruction on financial 2076 literacy; amending s. 1004.0971, F.S.; revising the 2077 definition of the term "emergency opioid antagonist"; 2078 amending s. 1004.933, F.S.; authorizing an institution 2079 to enter into an agreement with an online provider for 2080 the adult education or career instruction portion of 2081 the Graduation Alternative to Traditional Education 2082 (GATE) Program; deleting the age limit for enrollment 2083 in the program; clarifying that students are not 2084 required to enroll in adult secondary and career 2085 education coursework simultaneously; amending s. 2086 1005.06, F.S.; authorizing certain institutions to 2087 operate without licensure; specifying affirmations 2088 required as a part of an affidavit; requiring 2089 submission of requested documentation in a specified 2090 timeframe; requiring the Commission for Independent 2091 Education to review such affidavit in a public 2092 meeting; specifying commission actions for 2093 noncompliance; authorizing the commission to adopt 2094 rules; amending s. 1006.73, F.S.; revising reporting 2095 requirements relating to the Florida Postsecondary 2096 Academic Library Network; amending s. 1007.27, F.S.; 2097 requiring the state board to identify national 2098 consortia to develop certain courses; authorizing the

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2099 department to join or establish a national consortium 2100 as an additional alternative method to develop and 2101 implement advanced placement courses; conforming a 2102 provision to changes made by the act; amending s. 2103 1007.34, F.S.; expanding the scope of the college 2104 reach-out program to all low-income educationally 2105 disadvantaged and underrepresented students regardless 2106 of minority status; amending s. 1007.35, F.S.; 2107 revising legislative findings; renaming the Florida 2108 Partnership for Minority and Underrepresented Student 2109 Achievement as the "Florida Partnership for 2110 Underrepresented Student Achievement"; revising the 2111 purposes and duties of the partnership to focus on all 2112 underrepresented students regardless of minority 2113 status; revising duties of the partnership; revising 2114 which examinations public high schools are required to 2115 administer; revising which examinations a partnership 2116 must provide information to specified individuals and 2117 entities; revising which examinations the department 2118 must provide the learning data from to a certain 2119 partnership; deleting duties of the partnership; 2120 repealing s. 1008.2125, F.S., relating to the Council 2121 for Early Grade Success; amending s. 1008.36, F.S.; 2122 specifying the recipients of school recognition bonus 2123 funds; amending s. 1008.365, F.S.; revising the types of tutoring hours that may be counted toward meeting 2124 2125 the community service requirements for the Bright 2126 Futures Scholarship Program; amending s. 1008.37, F.S.; revising the date by which the Commissioner of 2127

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2128 Education must deliver a report to specified entities; 2129 revising the requirements of the report; amending s. 2130 1009.23, F.S.; authorizing the Florida College System 2131 to allocate a portion of financial aid fees to assist 2132 underrepresented students, rather than students who 2133 are members of a targeted gender or ethnic minority 2134 population; amending s. 1009.26, F.S.; revising the 2135 residency requirement for a grandparent for an out-of-2136 state fee waiver; revising the residency criteria for 2137 a grandparent in a specified attestation; amending s. 2138 1009.536, F.S.; clarifying the required minimum 2139 cumulative weighted grade point average for the 2140 Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars award; authorizing 2141 students to apply for a Florida Gold Seal CAPE 2142 Scholars award within a specified timeframe before or 2143 after completing the GATE Program; amending s. 2144 1009.8962, F.S.; revising the definition of the term 2145 "institution"; amending s. 1009.897, F.S.; requiring 2146 institutions receiving funds through the Prepping 2147 Institutions, Programs, Employers, and Learners 2148 through Incentives for Nursing Education Fund to 2149 allocate funding to health care-related programs; 2150 repealing s. 1011.58, F.S., relating to legislative 2151 budget requests of the Florida School for Competitive 2152 Academics; repealing s. 1011.59, F.S., relating to 2153 funds for the Florida School for Competitive 2154 Academics; amending s. 1011.71, F.S.; revising the 2155 types of casualty insurance premiums that may be paid by a district school tax; amending s. 1011.804, F.S.; 2156

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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2157 authorizing certain institutions to apply for and use 2158 grant funds under the GATE Startup Grant Program for 2159 specified purposes; amending s. 1012.315, F.S.; 2160 revising educator certification and certain employment 2161 screening standards; making technical changes; 2162 amending s. 1012.56, F.S.; authorizing individuals to 2163 demonstrate mastery of general knowledge, subject area 2164 knowledge, or professional preparation and education 2165 competence by providing a school district with 2166 documentation of a valid certificate issued by the 2167 American Board for Certification of Teacher 2168 Excellence; amending s. 1012.77, F.S.; conforming a 2169 provision to a change made by the act; specifying 2170 entities eligible to submit nominees for the Teacher 2171 of the Year and Ambassador for Education awards; 2172 amending s. 1013.30, F.S.; revising the timeframe for 2173 updates to state university campus master plans; 2174 amending s. 1013.46, F.S.; deleting a provision 2175 relating to set asides for construction contracts with minority business enterprises; providing effective 2176 2177 dates.

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