

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to education in correctional
 3 facilities for licensed professions; amending s.
 4 944.801, F.S.; requiring the Correctional Education
 5 Program to develop a plan in coordination with the
 6 boards of professions within the Department of
 7 Business and Professional Regulation, or the
 8 department when there is no board, for inmates to take
 9 classes for credit toward licensure requirements;
 10 providing an effective date.

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

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 14 **Section 1. Paragraph (m) is added to subsection (3) of**
 15 **section 944.801, Florida Statutes, to read:**

16 944.801 Education for state prisoners.—

17 (3) The responsibilities of the Correctional Education
 18 Program shall be to:

19 (m) Design and implement a plan, in coordination with the
 20 relevant professional boards within the Department of Business
 21 and Professional Regulation, or the Department of Business and
 22 Professional Regulation when there is no board, to ensure that
 23 inmates in a correctional institution who take classes that meet
 24 the necessary curriculum requirements as determined by the
 25 applicable law and rules for those professions shall receive

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26 | credit toward licensure requirements for the successful
27 | completion of those classes.

28 | **Section 2.** This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.