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- 27 1. An employee of a public school or school district; or
- 28 2. Another student.

29 ~~(b) "School district" means the Broward County Public~~
 30 ~~Schools.~~

31 (b) (e) "Self-contained classroom" means a classroom at a
 32 public school in which a majority of the students in regular
 33 attendance are provided special education services and are
 34 assigned to one or more such classrooms for at least 50 percent
 35 of the instructional day.

36 (2) (a) Each district school board, except a district
 37 school board within a fiscally constrained county as defined in
 38 s. 218.67(1), shall vote to establish a policy to provide video
 39 cameras in self-contained classrooms upon the request of a
 40 parent under paragraph (b).

41 (b) (a) A school district shall provide a video camera to
 42 any school with a self-contained classroom upon the written
 43 request of a parent of a student in the classroom.

44 (c) (b) Within 30 days after receipt of the request from a
 45 parent, a video camera must ~~shall~~ be operational in each self-
 46 contained classroom in which the parent's student is in regular
 47 attendance for the remainder of the school year, unless the
 48 parent withdraws his or her request in writing.

49 (3) If the student who is the subject of the initial
 50 request is no longer in attendance in the classroom and a school

51 discontinues operation of a video camera during a school year,
52 no later than the 5th school day before the date the operation
53 of the video camera is discontinued, the school must notify the
54 parents of each student in regular attendance in the classroom
55 that operation of the video camera will cease unless the
56 continued use of the camera is requested by a parent. No later
57 than the 10th school day before the end of each school year, the
58 school must notify the parents of each student in regular
59 attendance in the classroom that operation of the video camera
60 will not continue during the following school year unless a
61 written request is submitted by a parent for the next school
62 year.

63 (4) (a) A video camera placed in a self-contained classroom
64 must be capable of all of the following:

65 1. Monitoring all areas of the self-contained classroom,
66 including, without limitation, any room attached to the self-
67 contained classroom which is used for other purposes.

68 2. Recording audio from all areas of the self-contained
69 classroom, including, without limitation, any room attached to
70 the self-contained classroom which is used for other purposes.

71 (b) A video camera placed in a self-contained classroom
72 may not monitor a restroom or any other area in the self-
73 contained classroom where a student changes his or her clothes,
74 except for the entryway, exitway, or hallway outside a restroom
75 or other area where a student changes his or her clothes because

76 | of the layout of the self-contained classroom.

77 | (c) A video camera placed in a self-contained classroom is
78 | not required to be in operation when students are not present in
79 | the self-contained classroom.

80 | (d) If there is an interruption in the operation of the
81 | video camera for any reason, an explanation must be submitted in
82 | writing to the school principal and the district school board
83 | which explains the reason for and duration of the interruption.
84 | The written explanation must be maintained at the district
85 | school board office for at least 1 year.

86 | (5) Before a school initially places a video camera in a
87 | self-contained classroom pursuant to this section, the school
88 | shall provide written notice of the placement of such video
89 | camera to all of the following:

90 | (a) The parent of each student who is assigned to the
91 | self-contained classroom.

92 | (b) Each student who is assigned to the self-contained
93 | classroom.

94 | (c) The school district.

95 | (d) Each school employee who is assigned to work with one
96 | or more students in the self-contained classroom.

97 | (6) A school shall:

98 | (a) Retain video recorded from a video camera placed
99 | pursuant to this section for at least 3 months after the date
100 | the video was recorded, after which the recording must ~~shall~~ be

101 deleted or otherwise made irretrievable ~~unretrievable~~; or

102 (b) Retain the recording until the conclusion of any
103 investigation or any administrative or legal proceedings that
104 result from the recording have been completed, including,
105 without limitation, the exhaustion of all appeals.

106 (7) A school or school district may not:

107 (a) Allow regular, continuous, or continual monitoring of
108 video recorded under this section; ~~or~~

109 (b) Use video recorded under this section for teacher
110 evaluations or any purpose other than for ensuring the health,
111 safety, and well-being of students receiving special education
112 services in a self-contained classroom; or

113 (c) Conceal the identity of a school or school district
114 employee who appears in a video recording.

115 (8) The principal of the school is the custodian of a
116 video camera operated pursuant to this section, all recordings
117 generated by that video camera, and access to such recordings.

118 (a) The release or viewing of any video recording under
119 this section must comply with s. 1002.22.

120 (b) A school or school district shall:

121 1. Conceal the identity of any student who appears in a
122 video recording, but is not involved in the alleged incident
123 documented by the video recording, which the school allows to be
124 viewed under subsection (9), including, without limitation,
125 blurring the face of the uninvolved student.

126 2. Protect the confidentiality of all student records
 127 contained in a video recording in accordance with s. 1002.22.

128 (9) (a) Within 7 days after receiving a request to view a
 129 video recording, a school or school district shall allow the
 130 following individuals to view a video recording with its
 131 accompanying audio made under this section:

132 1. A school or school district employee who is involved in
 133 an alleged incident that is documented by the video recording as
 134 part of the investigative process;

135 2. A parent of a student who is involved in an alleged
 136 incident that is documented by the video recording and has been
 137 reported to the school or school district;

138 3. A school or school district employee as part of an
 139 investigation into an alleged incident that is documented by the
 140 video recording and has been reported to the school or school
 141 district;

142 4. A law enforcement officer as part of an investigation
 143 into an alleged incident that is documented by the video
 144 recording and has been reported to the law enforcement agency;
 145 or

146 5. The Department of Children and Families as part of a
 147 child abuse or neglect investigation.

148 (b) A person who requests to view a recording must ~~shall~~
 149 make himself or herself available for viewing the recording
 150 within 30 days after being notified by the school or school

151 district that the person's request has been granted.

152 (c) A person who views the recording and suspects that
153 child abuse has occurred must report the suspected child abuse
154 to the Department of Children and Families.

155 (10) (a) Any individual may appeal to the State Board of
156 Education an action by a school or school district which the
157 individual alleges to be in violation of this section.

158 (b) The state board shall grant a hearing on an appeal
159 under this subsection within 45 days after receiving the appeal.

160 (11) A school or school district does not violate
161 subsection (8) if a contractor or other employee of the school
162 or school district incidentally views a video recording made
163 under this section in connection with the performance of his or
164 her duties related to either of the following:

165 (a) The installation, operation, or maintenance of video
166 equipment; or

167 (b) The retention of video recordings.

168 (12) This section does not:

169 (a) Limit the access of the parent of a student, under the
170 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. s.
171 1232g, or any other law, to a video recording regarding his or
172 her student.

173 (b) Waive any immunity from liability of a school district
174 or an employee of a school district.

175 (c) Create any liability for a cause of action against a

176 school or school district or an employee of a school or school
177 district carrying out the duties and responsibilities required
178 by this section.

179 (d) Apply to self-contained classrooms in which the only
180 students receiving special education services are those who have
181 been deemed gifted.

182 (13) The department shall collect information relating to
183 the installation and maintenance of video cameras under this
184 section.

185 (14) The State Board of Education may adopt rules to
186 implement this section.

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